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Sioux Falls, SD 57104

August 23, 2023

—Via Electronic Filing—

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st Floor
500 E. Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: JOINT SERVICE EXCEPTION AGREEMENT
DOCKET NO. EL23-____

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for filing please find a copy of a mutually agreed upon Service Exception Agreement between Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota Corporation (“Xcel Energy”) and Sioux Valley Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“Sioux Valley”). This agreement seeks to allow Xcel Energy to serve 6 residential sites by exception in the southwest quadrant of T101N R49W S24 in Minnehaha County, South Dakota.

The enclosed Exhibits A and B provide additional detail to this request and include location, lot/block numbers, addresses, and date services were energized by Xcel Energy. As you will see, the lots directly to the west of those being considered in this filing are in Xcel Energy service territory. Additionally, the lots in between the proposed territory exception lots were energized prior to the electric territory boundaries being put into place in 1976 and are also served by Xcel Energy. Since no documentation can be found, Xcel Energy and Sioux Valley (“Parties”) believe there was some sort of a handshake agreement that allowed Xcel Energy to serve these locations since facilities were already placed in the rear lot line.

The Utilities understand the obligations of South Dakota Codified Law 49-34A-42 and respectfully request that the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission approve this service exception agreement.

Ms Patricia Van Gerpen
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Please add the following people to the service list for this docket:

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Sincerely,



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