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Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
SD Public Utilities Commission
523 E. Capitol
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RE: Docket No. EL06-018 – PURPA Interconnection Standards

Dear Patty:

With this letter, NorthWestern Corporation (“NorthWestern” or “the Company”), doing business as NorthWestern Energy, is filing for Commission approval revisions to its South Dakota Electric Rate Schedule General Terms and Conditions tariff in compliance with the Commission’s Order issued on July 26, 2007 in Docket EL06-018. On October 9, 2007, at its regularly scheduled Commission meeting, the Commission approved a filing extension for NorthWestern until October 12, 2007. NorthWestern respectfully requests Commission approval of these proposed tariff revisions.

Pursuant to ARSD 20:20:13:39, the Company states that documents included with this filing are:

1. South Dakota Electric Rate Schedule General Terms and Conditions Section 5, Sheet No. 8, as revised.
2. NorthWestern Energy’s manual entitled: *Distributed Generation Interconnection Manual – Interconnection Guidelines for Distributed Generation Systems and Parallel Operation of Customer Owned Generation.*

In addition, sheet numbers 9 through 13 of Section 5 of the Company’s South Dakota Electric Rate Schedule General Terms and Conditions tariff are being canceled as a result of this filing. The provisions of Section 5, sheet numbers 9-13, previously detailed in NorthWestern’s South Dakota Electric Rate General Terms and Conditions are now included in the Company’s “*Distributed Generation Interconnection Manual – Interconnection Guidelines for Distributed Generation Systems and Parallel Operation of Customer Owned Generation*”.

Communications regarding this filing should be directed to:

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Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pamela A. Bonrud". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "P" that extends upwards and to the left.

Pamela A. Bonrud
Director – SD/NE Government and Regulatory Affairs

Cc: Brett Koenecke