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Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
523 E. Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: *Oak Tree Energy Complaint*, EL 11-006

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Attached for filing is NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy's Answer to the Complaint in the above-referenced docket. By copy of this correspondence, the foregoing is being served upon parties of record.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pamela A. Bonrud".

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