

**SERVICE TERRITORY RELEASE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
XCEL ENERGY AND SIOUX VALLEY SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC.**

This agreement entered into this 18th day of May, 2015, ("Agreement") between Northern States Power Company doing business as Xcel Energy, with offices located at 500 W. Russell Street, Sioux Falls, South Dakota ("Xcel Energy"), and Sioux Valley Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc. with principal place of business at PO Box 216, Colman, South Dakota ("Sioux Valley") (together, "Parties").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, pursuant to SDCL 49-34A-42 *et seq.*, the Parties have electric service territory established under South Dakota Law; and

WHEREAS, Sioux Valley and Xcel Energy agree to adjust the service territory line defined and depicted in our "territorial agreement" dated January 19, 1976 on file with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission,

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Xcel Energy agrees to relinquish service to the customer, which was established prior to March 21, 1975, that is located in section 34 of T107N R53W in Lake County, South Dakota as depicted on the map in attached Exhibit A. The customer address is [REDACTED]
2. The Parties agree that the change in service territory transfers to Sioux Valley the existing service territory, "customer" of Xcel Energy.
3. Xcel Energy agrees to remove its overhead facilities off of its existing pole on the customer's property and allow Sioux Valley to "temporarily" utilize the pole during construction. Once complete, Xcel Energy will take back the pole and remove facilities in their entirety.
4. The Parties agree that no compensation is due to Xcel Energy from Sioux Valley for this service territory transfer.
5. The parties agree to jointly submit these agreed upon changes to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for its approval.
6. Except as specifically set forth herein, this Agreement does not modify or limit the legal rights of any party.
7. The Parties acknowledge that this Agreement is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: This Agreement is executed and made effective between Sioux Valley and Xcel Energy.

This 18th day of May, 2015

Xcel Energy:

By: Laura McCarten
Regional Vice President, NSP-MN

Attest: Laura McCarten

Sioux Valley Southwestern Electric
Cooperative, Inc.

By: Tim McCarthy
General Manager / CEO

Attest: Tim McCarthy