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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING** 

Sasha Bergman, Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7th Place East, Suite 350 St. Paul, Minnesota, 55101

Re: In the Matter of the Application of Dakota Electric Association for Authority

to Increase Rates for Electric Service in Minnesota

Docket No. E-111/GR-24-400

Letter in Support of Administrative Law Judge's Stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation to Approve Settlement

Dear Ms. Bergman:

On October 16, 2025, Administrative Law Judge Ann C. O'Reilly issued her Stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation to Approve Settlement ("ALJ Report"), recommending that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") approve the June 6, 2025 comprehensive and unanimous Settlement Agreement entered into between Dakota Electric Association ("Dakota Electric" or the "Cooperative"), the Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (the "Department"), and the Office of the Attorney General – Residential Utilities Division ("OAG-RUD") resolving all issues among all parties to this matter.

In accordance with Minn. R. 7829.2700, Dakota Electric submits this letter in support of the ALJ's Report. Dakota Electric appreciates the opportunity to reiterate its support for the Settlement and thanks Judge O'Reilly for her detailed review of the record and the Settlement Agreement in this proceeding. The Cooperative also thanks the other settling parties for their work in reaching the Settlement and for their development of the thorough record in this proceeding.

Dakota Electric agrees with Judge O'Reilly's conclusions that the record supports the resolution of disputed issues as set out in the Settlement, and that the Settlement's disposition of disputed issues resolves them in a manner consistent with the public interest and on the basis of the substantial evidence. Dakota Electric takes no exception to the ALJ Report and supports its adoption by the Commission. Please contact me at (612) 977-8656 or <a href="mailto:kstastny@taftlaw.com">kstastny@taftlaw.com</a> if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kristin M. Stastny
Kristin M. Stastny
Attorney for Dakota Electric Association

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Kristin M. Stastny, hereby certify that on the 31st day of October, 2025, on behalf of Dakota Electric Association, I electronically filed true and correct copies of the enclosed Letter on <a href="www.edockets.state.mn.us">www.edockets.state.mn.us</a>. Said documents were also served via U.S. mail and electronic service as designated on the attached service list.

Dated this 31st day of October, 2025.

/s/ Kristin M. Stastny
Kristin M. Stastny

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