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January 4, 2018

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Daniel P. Wolf
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350 Metro Square Building
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Re: In the Matter of the Joint Request of Brainerd Public Utilities and Crow
Wing Power to Update Electric Service Territory Records
MPUC Docket: _____
Our File No.: 61350-007

Dear Mr. Wolf:

I represent the Water and Light Department d/b/a Brainerd Public Utilities, a municipal utility (the "Municipal"), which is authorized, on behalf of the Municipal and Crow Wing Power (the "Cooperative") (collectively, the "Parties") to make this filing.

Summary of the Joint Request

This filing constitutes the Parties' joint request under Minn. Stat. § 216B.39, subd. 3, that the MPUC modify the Parties' service territory boundaries. This joint request concerns the permanent transfer of two areas located within the city limits of Brainerd and within the electric service territory assigned to the Cooperative (identified as the "Transfer Areas"), as further described below.

Legal Authorities

By statute, "the commission may on its own or at the request of an electric utility make changes in the boundaries of the assigned service areas, but only after notice and hearing . . ." Minn. Stat. § 216B.39, subd. 3. In addition, "no electric utility shall render

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or extend electric service at retail within the assigned service area of another electric utility unless the electric utility consents thereto in writing . . . " Minn. Stat. § 216B.40 (2014). In the present case, the Parties seek to adjust the service territory boundaries to permanently adjust the Transfer Areas to the Municipal's assigned service territory. The Parties have agreed upon appropriate compensation. The Parties request that the Commission update its official records as to electric service territory boundaries.

Underlying Information

The Transfer Areas include two areas.

Attached as Exhibit A is a map that depicts the boundaries of the Transfer Area A, which involves approximately 300 acres and zero customers.

Attached as Exhibit B is a map that depicts the boundaries of the Transfer Area B, which involves approximately 480 acres and 18 customers (17 residential customers and one commercial customer).

The Parties do not have a separate legal description prepared of the Transfer Areas, but are willing to provide whatever information is helpful and reasonably requested by MnGeo to facilitate the adjustment in the official maps. Specifically, the Parties have a Shape or CAD file of the attached maps.

The Cooperative will continue to provide service in the Transfer Areas until the Parties have mutually agreed upon a transfer date, which is expected to occur in the Spring of 2018. The Parties have agreed to cooperate and communicate with customers to ensure a smooth transition and to minimize any disruption to customers.

Customer Notice

The Parties acknowledge that the Commission wishes to direct separate notice to customers as to the pending proceeding before the Commission. The Parties will provide this notice to affected customers and arrange separate filing with the Commission.

Contact Information

If there are any questions concerning this filing, you may contact the following representatives:

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Request

The Parties therefore petition the Commission to accept and file these documents and provide due acknowledgment thereof. The Parties further request that the Commission provide evidence of its acknowledgment of these changes of service territory boundaries, and the updating of the official service territory records.

Proposed Service List

A copy of this letter and the accompanying documents has been mailed or emailed to the persons on the enclosed proposed service list.

Please contact the representatives above if you have any questions.

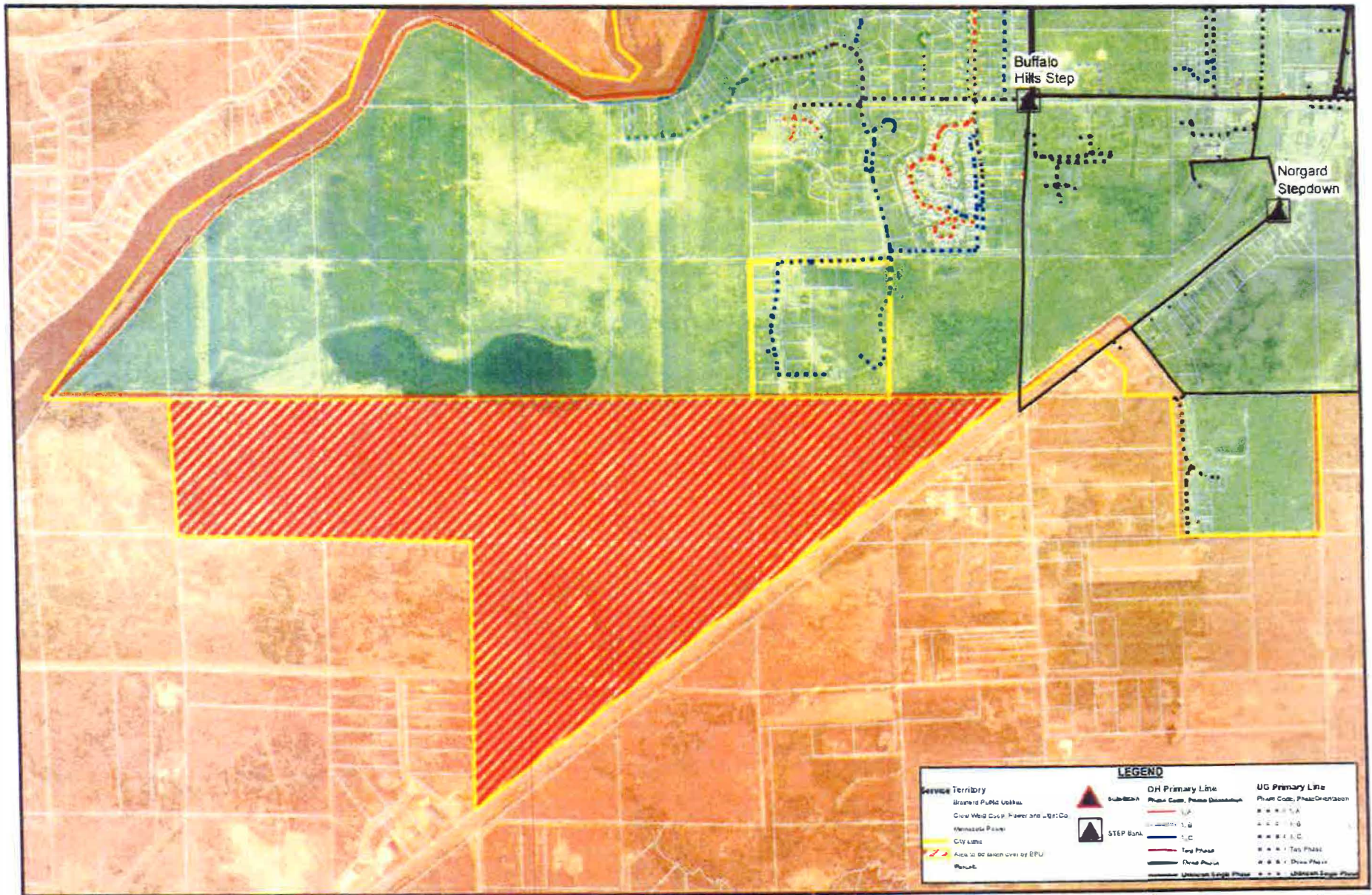
Sincerely,


Kathleen M. Brennan

Enclosures

cc (w/encl.): Proposed Service List

EXHIBIT A



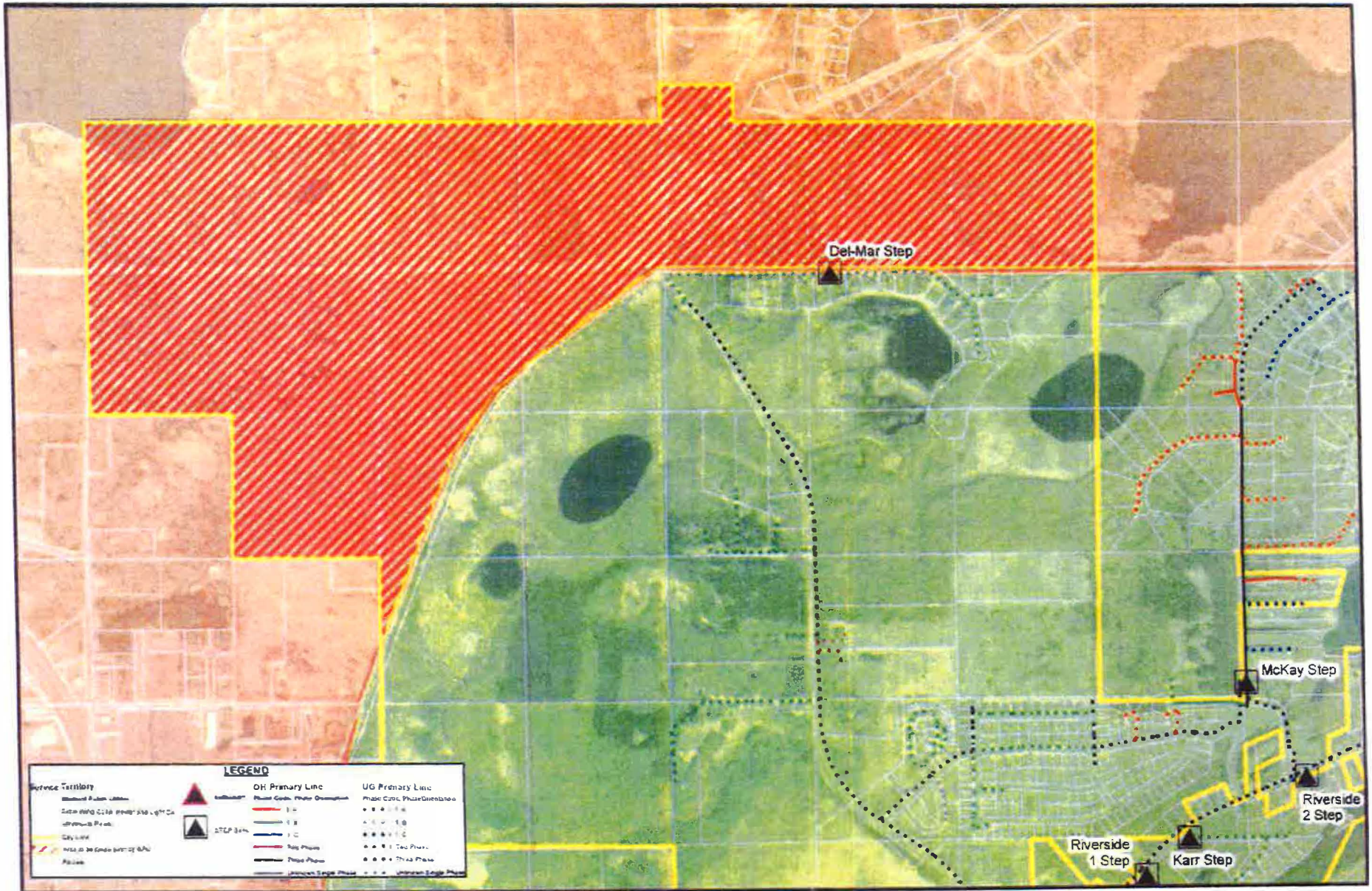
**BRAINERD PUBLIC UTILITIES
SERVICE TERRITORY MAP - A**



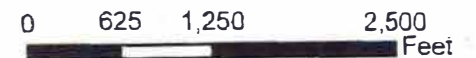
This map is intended for reference purposes only and is not a legally recorded map nor survey. Brainerd Public Utilities shall not be liable for any damages or claims that arise due to accuracy, availability, use, or misuse of the information herein pursuant to MN Statutes 466.03 Subd 21.

Date: 10/11/2017

EXHIBIT B



BRainerd PUBLIC UTILITIES SERVICE TERRITORY MAP - B



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