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October 30, 2025

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

Re: ***In the Matter of the Application of Dakota Electric Association for Authority to Increase Rates for Electric Service in Minnesota***
MPUC Docket No. E-111/GR-24-400
CAH Docket No. 65-2500-40635

Dear Ms. Bergman,

The Office of the Attorney General—Residential Utilities Division (OAG) respectfully submits this letter in response to the Stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation to Approve Settlement issued by Administrative Law Judge Ann C. O'Reilly on October 16, 2025 (ALJ Report). The OAG is a party to the Settlement Agreement filed on June 6, 2025. The OAG takes no exceptions to the ALJ Report and recommends that the Commission adopt it.

The OAG appreciates Judge O'Reilly's work through this proceeding and agrees with her conclusion that the record supports the settlement's resolution of disputed issues.

Importantly, the settlement provides financial benefits to Minnesota's residential and small-business ratepayers. The settlement provides for a smaller increase than requested by Dakota Electric Association, reducing the Association's revenue deficiency by approximately $2.93 million from its initial request.[1] The settlement allocates a smaller share of the overall increase to the Residential class than originally proposed and a reduced fixed charge,[2] which is important given concerns from public commentors about the size of the proposed Residential increase noted in the ALJ Report.[3] For these reasons and others detailed in full in the settlement, the settlement is reasonable, supported by substantial evidence, and consistent with the public interest. The Commission should accept the settlement.

Sincerely,

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[1] Settlement Agreement, Attach. 1 (June 6, 2025) (eDocket No. 20256-219692-01).
[2] *Id*. ¶ 38, Attachment 2.
[3] ALJ Report ¶ 38.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, CHRIS OSBORNE, hereby certify that on the 30th day of October 2025, I e-filed with eDockets ***Office of the Attorney General—Residential Utilities Division Letter in Support of ALJ Report and Settlement Approval*** and served a true and correct copy of the same upon all parties listed on the attached service list by electronic submission through the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission eDockets website.

/s/ *Chris Osborne*
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