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Daniel P. Wolf, Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7th Place East, Suite 350 St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

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Dakota Electric Association Compliance Filing in

Dacket No. E. 111/M.16.774

Docket No. E-111/M-16-774

Dear Mr. Wolf:

On January 24, 2017, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (MPUC or Commission) approved the Member Specific Discount (MSD) Rider proposed by Dakota Electric Association (Dakota Electric or Cooperative) in the above referenced docket.

The final clause of the MSD Rider covers Regulatory Review when the MSD Rider is applied and states:

"Each Member Specific Discount will be filed with the Public Utilities Commission (as a confidential information filing) before implementation. These confidential information filings will provide an overview of the discount being provided and confirm that the discount is a pass-through from Dakota Electric's wholesale power supplier."

Dakota Electric submits this Trade Secret informational letter in compliance with the Regulatory Review clause in the MSD Rider. The overview of the discount being provided is covered in the Member Specific Discount Service Agreement executed between Dakota Electric and the participating consumer. This confidential document is only included with the Non-Public version of this compliance filing. **This filing is a public document - privileged data has been excised.** The discounts outlined in the agreement represent a pass-through of wholesale credits/discounts provided by Great River Energy to Dakota Electric that are applicable to the participating consumer.

If you have any questions about the information in this compliance filing, please contact me at (651) 463-6258.

Sincerely,

/s/ Douglas R. Larson

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Enclosure

Certificate of Service

I, Cherry Jordan, hereby certify that I have this day served copies of the attached document to those on the following service list by e-filing, personal service, or by causing to be placed in the U.S. mail at Farmington, Minnesota.

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Dated this 12th day of April, 2017	
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