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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Daniel P. Wolf Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 350 Metro Square Building 121 Seventh Place East St. Paul, MN 55101

> Re: In the Matter of the Joint Request of Hawley Public Utilities Commission and Wild Rice Electric Cooperative, Inc. to Modify Electric Service Territory Boundaries MPUC Docket: Our File No.: 61587-0002

Dear Mr. Wolf:

I represent the Hawley Public Utilities Commission ("Hawley"), which is authorized, on behalf of Hawley and Wild Rice Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Wild Rice") (collectively, the "Parties"), to make this filing.

Summary of the Joint Request

This letter 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 approximately 8.15 acres, known as Autumn View Addition, in the city limits (the "Affected Area"). Under this joint request, the Affected Area permanently transfers to Hawley's assigned electric service territory.

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 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

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(2014). In the present case, the Parties seek to adjust the service territory boundaries to permanently adjust the Transfer Area to Hawley'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

Attached as Exhibit A to this joint petition is a map and legal description that reflects the Affected Area.

The Affected Area currently contains two residential customers. By written agreement of the Parties, Hawley provided construction service and is currently serving these customers. To complete the record, Hawley will provide formal notice to the customers of this proceeding. The Parties agreed to compensation for the transfer of the Affected Area, after arms-length negotiations.

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,

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Kathleen M. Brennan

Enclosures

cc (w/encl.): Proposed Service List



EXHIBIT A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

THAT PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 139 NORTH, RANGE 45 WEST OF THE 5TH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN TO THE CITY OF HAWLEY, CLAY COUNTY, MINNESOTA AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1, BLOCK TWO OF PETERMANN'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF HAWLEY; THENCE N88'12'25"W ALONG THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF HARTFORD STREET FOR A DISTANCE OF 64.04 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID HARTFORD STREET RIGHT OF WAY AS RECORDED IN PETERMANN'S FIRST ADDITION; THENCE N88'45'04"W FOR A DISTANCE OF 80.68 FEET; THENCE N31'54'27"W FOR A DISTANCE OF 434.84 FEET; THENCE N05'12'39"E FOR A DISTANCE OF 211.09 FEET; THENCE N37'54'34"E FOR A DISTANCE OF 252.19 FEET; THENCE S85'09'03"E FOR A DISTANCE OF 374.79 FEET; THENCE S00'07'18"E FOR A DISTANCE OF 354.16 FEET; THENCE S89'20'26"E FOR A DISTANCE OF 199.99 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 4, BLOCK 2 OF SAID PETERMANN'S FIRST ADDITION; THENCE S00'02'39"W FOR A DISTANCE OF 174.13 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 3, BLOCK 2 OF SAID PETERMANN'S FIRST ADDITION; THENCE S89'08'55"W ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID BLOCK 2 FOR A DISTANCE OF 375.79 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 1, BLOCK 2; THENCE S00'34'34"E ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 1 FOR A DISTANCE OF 213.58 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SAID OWNER'S HAVE CAUSED THE ABOVE DESCRIBED TRACT OF LAND SHOWN ON THIS PLAT TO BE SURVEYED AND PLATTED AS AUTUMN VIEW ADDITION TO THE CITY OF HAWLEY, CLAY COUNTY, MINNESOTA. EASEMENTS FOR INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF UTILITIES AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES ARE RESERVED OVER, UNDER, AND ALONG THE DESIGNATED AREAS MARKED "UTILITY EASEMENTS" AND ALL STREETS, ALLEYS, BLOCK 2 AND OTHER PUBLIC AREAS SHOWN ON THIS PLAT AND NOT HERETOFORE DEDICATED TO PUBLIC USE ARE HEREBY SO DEDICATED. SAID AUTUMN VIEW ADDITION, CONSISTS OF 12 LOTS AND 2 BLOCKS, AND CONTAINS 8.15 ACRES, MORE OR LESS TOGETHER WITH EASEMENTS AND RIGHT OF WAYS OF SIGHT AND RECORD.

PROPOSED SERVICE LIST

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