

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: SOUTHERN IOWA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., AND INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY	DOCKET NO. SPU-06-13
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**ORDER GRANTING PETITION FOR MODIFICATION
OF SERVICE AREA BOUNDARIES**

(Issued September 14, 2006)

On August 24, 2006, Southern Iowa Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Southern Iowa), and Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL) filed a joint petition for modification of electric service area boundaries pursuant to Iowa Code § 476.25(2). No objections or other responses to the petition were filed.

Southern Iowa and IPL have agreed to modify their exclusive service territory boundaries in Van Buren County, Iowa. The following service territory is to be transferred from IPL to Southern Iowa:

The South 4 acres of the following described property: The South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 68 North, Range 10 West of the 5th P.M., containing 20 acres, more or less, in Van Buren County, Iowa.

In support of the petition, Southern Iowa and IPL state that the boundary modification will allow Southern Iowa to extend service to a cabin being built on the 20-acre parcel referred to in the legal description. Part of the 20-acre parcel is

currently located in IPL's service territory. Southern Iowa and IPL further state that this new customer can be better served by Southern Iowa because of the proximity of its existing facilities. The joint petition represents that no other customers are located on the parcel in question (the customer building the cabin purchased the entire 20-acre parcel) and the new customer does not object to the transfer of service territory from IPL to Southern Iowa.

Iowa Code § 476.25 (2005) provides in pertinent part:

Contracts between electric utilities to designate service areas and customers to be served by the electric utility or for the exchange of customers between electric utilities, when approved by the board, shall be valid and enforceable and shall be incorporated into the appropriate exclusive service areas established pursuant to subsection 1 of this section. The board shall approve a contract if it finds that the contract will eliminate or avoid unnecessary duplication of facilities, will provide adequate electric service to all areas and customers affected, will promote the efficient and economical use and development of the electric systems of the contracting electric utilities, and is in the public interest.

The Board will grant the joint petition for modification of service area boundaries. Southern Iowa and IPL have alleged facts that establish the proposed modification is in the public interest, will prevent unnecessary duplication of facilities, provide adequate electric service to all customers affected, and will promote the efficient and economical use of electrical systems, pursuant to Iowa Code § 476.25.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The joint petition for modification of electric service area boundaries filed by Southern Iowa Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Interstate Power and Light Company on August 24, 2006, is granted, subject to complaint or investigation.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Diane Munns

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Curtis W. Stamp

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 14th day of September, 2006.