STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

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| IN RE:   (company name) |  DOCKET NO. E-  |

# **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF**

# **ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE FRANCHISE**

COMES NOW ,

authorized to transact business in the State of Iowa, and whose address is

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petitions the Utilities Board (Board) for an extension of franchise to erect, maintain and operate an electric transmission line in County, Iowa, as provided in Iowa Code chapter 478 (2021).

 The line(s) for which extension of franchise is sought consist of (using circuit miles):

 a. miles of line capable of operating at a maximum voltage of volts,

 b. miles of line capable of operating at a maximum voltage of volts, and

 c. miles of line capable of operating at a maximum voltage of volts.

# I

 Petitioner asserts that the line is necessary to serve a public use, represents a reasonable relationship to an overall plan of transmitting electricity in the public interest, and will comply with all laws and regulations administered by the Board, and submits the following attached exhibits which are a part of this petition:

 Exhibit A, a legal description of the route over which the electric line was constructed. (199 IAC 11.8(1)(a))

 Exhibit B, a map showing the route and such other natural or man-made features as are pertinent or required. (199 IAC 11.8(1)(b))

 Exhibit C, engineering specifications and technical information showing the type and manner of construction, on the forms specified by the Board. (199 IAC 11.8(1)(c))

 Exhibit D, describing the history of the line, the need for and the public use served by the line, and other information pertinent to the project and this petition. (199 IAC 11.8(1)(d))

#  II

 Petitioner asserts that all lines for which an extension of franchise is requested by this petition have been previously and properly franchised by the Board.

# III

Petitioner has mailed the required notification of the filing of this petition to potentially affected parties including other electric, pipeline, telephone, communication, cable television, rural water district and railroad companies that are crossed by or in shared right-of-way with the proposed electric line. Attached to this petition is a copy of the notice and list of all persons that were sent notice.

(199 IAC 11.8(7))

#  IV

 Petitioner asserts that it holds all necessary easements, or authorization from highway or railroad authorities, for the lands and right-of-way upon which the line is located.

# V

 Petitioner requests that the Board consider and take appropriate action in the matter of this petition for extension of franchise and requests that an official notice be prepared for publication once each week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper located in the county concerned.

**\*** Petitioner is not by this petition requesting extension of franchise for all franchised lines in this county. In addition to a published route description, petitioner will make available to the public a map, a copy of which is attached to this petition, showing the route(s) of the line(s) for which extension of franchise is sought, and requests the notice for publication state (Indicate which):

 A map showing the route(s) is published with the notice; or,

 A map showing the route(s) may be obtained free of charge by calling

 - - , or by writing to:

**\*** Petitioner is by this petition requesting extension of franchise for all franchised lines in this county as permitted by Iowa Code § 478.13, and requests the notice for publication (Indicate which):

 Describe the location of the lines in a published route description; or,

 State that a map showing the location of the lines for which the extension of franchise is sought can be obtained free of charge by calling

 - - , or by writing to:

#  VI

 The line will be maintained in conformance with the requirements of 199 Iowa Administrative Code chapter 25 “Iowa Electrical Safety Code,” including amendments, and with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 478.

#  VII

 Petitioner agrees to pay all costs and expenses of the franchise proceeding, whether or not objections are filed, including costs of inspections or examinations of the route, hearing, salaries, publishing of notice, and any other expenses reasonably attributable to the proceeding.

#  VIII

 Petitioner accepts that the provisions of all laws and regulations relating to public utilities, franchises, and transmission lines, which are in force or which may be hereafter enacted, shall apply to its existing line or lines, franchises, and rights with the same force and effect as if the franchise had been granted, or the lines constructed, or rights obtained under the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 478, and amendments thereto.

Dated this day of , 20 .

 (Company)

 By

 (Signature)\*

 (Name - printed)

 (Title)

\* Please redact any actual signature or use typed signature (example /s/ John Doe) before filing.

**AFFIDAVIT**

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| STATE OF COUNTY OF  | } | ss: |

 I, , state under oath that I am

 of Petitioner named above and that I have

 (Official Title)

authority to execute this instrument and that I have read the Petition, know the

contents, and that the statements are true and correct.

 (Signature of Affiant)

 Subscribed and sworn to before me by ,

this day of , 20 .

####  Notary Public

**Instructions for Filing a Petition for Extension of Electric Transmission Line Franchise**

This form is to be used when filing a petition for extension of franchise for an existing electric transmission line. A docket number will be assigned by the Iowa Utilities Board upon receipt of the petition.

A petition for extension of franchise may be filed at any time after the issuance of the franchise, but must be filed on year prior to its expiration. Once a franchise is expired, it cannot be extended. An extension of franchise, however, is unnecessary when the electric line has been permanently retired from operation at 69 kilovolts or more, and the Iowa Utilities Board has been notified of the retirement as specified in board rules. The line may remain in service at a lesser voltage. [Iowa Code § 478.1 and 199 IAC 11.8(2)].

Rules regarding filing a petition for permit for extension of franchise for an electric transmission line are found in 199 IAC chapter 11. General filing rules are found in 199 IAC chapter 7. Rules regarding electronic filing with the Iowa Utilities Board are found in 199 IAC chapter 14.

The petition and exhibits must be filed with the Iowa Utilities Board by uploading a document or collection of documents into the Iowa Utilities Board’s electronic filing system at https://efs.iowa.gov/efs/. (Petition filings in cases where the initial petition was filed prior to January 2, 2009, will continue to be filed on paper, instead of electronically. See 199 IAC 14.4(2).)

If any map, drawing or oversized document cannot be printed on 11x17 inch or smaller-sized paper in legible and usable form, an original plus four paper copies must be filed in addition to the electronic copy. See 199 IAC 14.8(1).

Any paper copies required must be mailed or delivered to the address below: [199 IAC 7.4(2)(b)].

Chief Operating Officer

Iowa Utilities Board

1375 E. Court Ave.

Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0069

See the rules for additional details and exceptions to the general requirements described above.

If you have questions, please contact the IUB at (515) 725-7337 or ITsupport@iub.iowa.gov.