

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: SOO GREEN HVDC LINK PROJECTCO, LLC	DOCKET NO. E-22436
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ORDER RESCHEDULING ORAL ARGUMENT AND SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

On September 24, 2020, SOO Green HVDC Link ProjectCo, LLC (SOO Green), filed a petition with the Utilities Board (Board) in Docket No. E-22436 for an electric transmission line franchise to build approximately 173.76 miles of +/- 525 kV underground high voltage direct current electric transmission line through Allamakee (2.13 miles), Cerro Gordo (7.60 miles), Chickasaw (22.19 miles), Clayton (44.26 miles), Dubuque (25.81 miles), Floyd (19.71 miles), Jackson (29.02 miles), and Winneshiek (23.04 miles) counties in Iowa.

ORAL ARGUMENT AND SECOND SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

On September 26, 2022, the Board issued an order setting a procedural schedule that included oral arguments before the Board on December 15, 2022, to address (1) whether the Board has statutory authority to review and base a franchise determination upon the sufficiency of underlying land rights upon which a transmission line is proposed to be located if eminent domain is not invoked; and (2) if yes, whether SOO Green possesses the necessary land rights for the construction of its proposed

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electric transmission line. A conflict has occurred on the Board's schedule that requires changing the date of the oral argument. The Board will reschedule the oral argument for 9 a.m. Tuesday, December 20, 2022. The scheduling conference, which was to occur immediately following the December 15, 2022 oral argument, is also rescheduled and will now take place immediately following the December 20, 2022 oral argument.

ORDERING CLAUSES

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The oral argument scheduled for 9 a.m. Thursday, December 15, 2022, is rescheduled for 9 a.m. Tuesday, December 20, 2022, in the Utilities Board's Hearing Room, 1375 E. Court Ave., Des Moines, Iowa. Participation in the oral argument will be in person only. Persons with disabilities who will require assistive services or devices to observe or participate in this oral argument should contact the Utilities Board at (515) 725-7300 to request arrangements.

2. Persons desiring to participate in the December 20, 2022 oral argument shall file a pleading indicating their intent to participate on or before December 7, 2022.

3. The scheduling conference to determine the remaining procedural schedule and hearing date for Docket No. E-22436 will immediately follow the December 20, 2022 oral argument in the Utilities Board's Hearing Room, 1375 E. Court Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.

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4. Persons desiring to participate in the December 20, 2022 scheduling conference who have not indicated that they will participate in the oral argument shall file a pleading on or before December 7, 2022, indicating their intent to participate in the scheduling conference.

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Josh Byrnes Date: 2022.11.04
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Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 8th day of November, 2022.