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MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY OPTION FOR ELECTRIC LINE EASEMENT

State of Iowa, County of <u>Madison</u>

Legal Description: <u>T77N, R28W, Section No. 7, of the 5th P.M.</u>

Project No. <u>B88</u>

Tract No. IA-MD-026.000

OPTION AND EASEMENT

The undersigned owner(s), Crawford & Crawford, Inc, an Iowa Corporation and the undersigned tenant(s), , collectively and individually, hereinafter referred to as "Grantor", in consideration of the sum of Thorsand Nine Hunged That's These Dougles Middle Services and Services of which is hereby acknowledged, grant to MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY, an Iowa corporation, its successors and assigns, hereinafter referred to as "Company", the right, for and during the period of twenty-four (24) months from the date hereof, to acquire for the further consideration of Andrew Theory Andrews Andrews of Services and along the land situated

hereinafter referred to as an "Option", upon exercise of said Option and as hereinafter agreed to, a perpetual right-of-way easement upon, over, under, across, and along the land situated in the County of Madison, State of Iowa, and as more specifically described and shown on the attached Exhibit A, and by this reference made a part hereof.

This right of way grant is for the purposes of constructing, reconstructing, patrolling, operating, maintaining and removing electric lines to be located on said premises, including the necessary pole structures, wires, and other appurtenances for the transmission of electric energy and communications, together with the power to extend to any other party the right to use, jointly with the Company, any structure placed pursuant to the terms hereof, such lines to form a part of an electric transmission system.

Consideration shall be paid to Grantor by Company to place no more than _______ pole structure(s) on said right-of-way. If the Company elects to place additional pole structures on said right-of-way, Company shall compensate Grantor the amount of Two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) per additional pole structure.

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Company shall have the irrevocable right, commencing upon the date of the exercise of this Option, to survey the property; to conduct engineering and associated investigations including, but not limited to, core boring and soil testing; to trim or remove any trees or other vegetation growing in said easement area which, in the judgment of Company, may interfere with or endanger said electric lines; to install access gates to said easement area in the fences on the property of Grantor, and of ingress and egress over said land.

Damages to fences, livestock, crops or other property of Grantor, their successors and assigns, by Company while exercising any of the rights granted herein shall be paid by Company to the party damaged.

Subject to the rights of Company hereunder, Grantor shall have the right to cultivate, use and occupy the easement area hereinbefore described except that no structure or object, permanent or temporary, shall be erected, no wells shall be drilled, no storage of materials of any kind, nor shall any ground elevation changes be made, on said easement area without the written consent of Company, that no brush or other inflammable materials shall be deposited or accumulated or burned upon said easement area, and that no act shall be performed which violates the clearance requirements of the National Electrical Safety Code and/or the rules of the Iowa Utilities Board or its successor.

Upon exercise of the Option, all the foregoing provisions shall constitute the easement granted to the Company by Grantor.

LICENSE

During the period of the Option granted herein, Company shall have the irrevocable right, commencing upon the date of the execution of this instrument, to survey the property; to conduct engineering and associated investigations including, but not limited to, core boring and soil testing; to cut down, trim and spray any trees and shrubs growing in or adjacent to the above-described easement area as may be necessary, in the judgment of Company, to conduct the aforementioned surveys and investigations; and of ingress and egress over said land of Grantor.

Damages to fences, livestock, crops or other property of Grantor, their successors and assigns, by Company while exercising any of the rights granted herein shall be paid by Company to the party damaged.

Subject to the rights of Company hereunder, Grantor shall have the right to cultivate, use and occupy the easement area hereinbefore described except that no structure or object, permanent or temporary, shall be erected, no wells shall be drilled, no storage of materials of any kind, nor shall any ground elevation changes be made, on said easement area without the written consent of Company, that no brush or other inflammable materials shall be deposited or accumulated or burned upon said easement area, and that no act shall be performed which violates the clearance requirements of the National Electrical Safety Code and/or the rules of the Iowa Utilities Board or its successor.

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EXTENSION OF OPTION

The Company shall have the right, at the sole option of the Company, to extend the herein granted Option for a period of six months; said extension shall commence immediately upon expiration of the original Option. Consideration for said extension shall be Five hundred dollars (\$500.00), and shall be payable at the time of such extension.

EXERCISE OF OPTION

The Option granted herein shall be deemed exercised by Company, and the easement rights agreed upon herein shall be deemed granted, upon the recording of a Notice of Exercise of Option in the office of the Recorder of Deeds in the county in which the property is situated. A copy of the Notice of Exercise of Option shall be deposited in the United States mail in a prepaid sealed envelope addressed to Grantor at their last known address. A check, payable to Grantor in the amount of the further consideration stated above, shall accompany the Notice of Exercise of Option to the Grantor first above named.

TERMINATION OF OPTION

If the Company shall not elect to exercise the Option herein, or shall fail to exercise same within the time(s) hereinbefore provided, the Option shall terminate without further action and all rights granted hereunder shall become null and void.

It is mutually understood and agreed that this instrument covers all of the agreements and stipulations between the parties and that no representations or statements, oral or written, have been made modifying or changing the terms hereof.

Signed, sealed and delivered this, 200	03
OWNER: Crawford & Crawford Inc. By: Craft & Crawford S Print Name: Ranky Crawford Title: Pres.	
TENANT:	

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF IOWA)

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COUNTY OF MADISON)

On this 10th day of October, A. D. 2003, before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa, personally appeared, Randy C. Crawford, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did state that he is the President of Crawford & Crawford, Inc., executing the within and foregoing instrument to which this is attached, that no seal has been procured by the said corporation and that said instrument was signed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors; and the said Randy C. Crawford, as such officer, acknowledged the execution of said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said corporation, and by them voluntarily executed.



Jackie M Patterson lowa Notarial Seal Commission number 721709 My Commission Expires 04/02/06

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An electric line easement as depicted on attached parcel map, over, under and across that part of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ and part of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 7, in Township 77 North of Range 28 West of the 5th P.M. in Madison Co., lowa and further described as follows:

Property Legal Description

The East Half (E1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) and the South 60 Acres of the West Half (W1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section 7, and the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section Eighteen (18), all in Township Seventy-seven (77) North, Range Twenty-eight (28) West of the 5th P.M., Madison County, lowa; subject to two transmission line easements to lowa Power & Light Company across the Southeast Quarter of Section 7-77-28 dated March 2, 1957, recorded in Book 88 at Page 381 and in Book 89 at Page 630, respectively, Records of the Recorder's Office of Madison, County, lowa.

Electric Line Easement Legal Description

That part of the above described tract of land being a continuous strip of land, 100 feet wide, situated fifty feet on each side of the following described centerline: Beginning at a point approximately 127 feet South along apparent West line from the apparent NW corner of the SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 7; thence generally Easterly with said centerline for a distance of approximately 2649 feet to a point on the apparent East line of said tract, said point being approximately 87 feet South from the apparent NE corner of the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 7.

The sidelines of said easement shall be considered lengthened or shortened to terminate at the property lines.

Note: All measurements are approximate.

