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Mr. Darren Kearney
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 E. Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

RE: EL13-020 and EL12-063, In the Matter of the Application of Xcel Energy and Otter Tail Power Company for a Permit to Construct the Big Stone South to Brookings County 345 kV Transmission Line

Dear Mr. Kearney:

This letter transmits copies of as-built drawings, summary of restoration status and a summary of landowner complaints for the Big Stone South to Brookings County project. These Items are required by Item 30 of the stipulation agreement for the southern portion of the project (Case EL 13-020). While not specifically required for the northern portion of the project, the information presented in this package covers the Northern and Southern portion of the project.

The enclosed information includes:

1. Summary of Landowner Complaints and resolution
2. Status of Restoration activities
3. As-Built Plan and Profile drawings

Please let me know if you have any questions with this filing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Hillstrom'.

Thomas G. Hillstrom
Permitting Manager
Xcel Energy
(612) 330-5835

Enclosures

Summary of Landowner Complaints

Date of Complaint	Nature of Complaint	Complaint Resolution
7/27/15	Neighboring landowner was concerned about effect of construction noise on cows.	Discussed complaint with landowner and shared information with her.
4/8/2016	Trucks hauling rebar cages were driving too fast on township roads.	Asked drivers to slow down.
4/11/16	Water emanating from Structures 96 and 97. Suspected artesian groundwater condition	Worked to seal off conduit from pressurized aquifer to surface to stop water flow.
5/20/16	Construction equipment contacted grain bin and damaged it.	Repaired grain bin.
5/18/16	Landowner thought foundation was installed at wrong location	Checked and confirmed that foundation is in the correct position
7/5/16	Wash boarding on township road	Worked with township to re-grade road after construction was finished in the area
10/6/16	Gate left open, calf got out and was hit by car. Calf had to be put down.	Landowner compensated for loss of calf
7/10/17	Line crew pickups causing dust at residence.	Changed crew travel route to designated haul route
8/8/17	Helicopter crews leaving litter on property	Reminded crews to leave no litter

Restoration Status

Road Damage Restoration

Permittees have addressed road damage according to agreements with local governments. According to these agreements, road damage is repaired by local governments and the project is invoiced for repair work. To date, all but two invoices have been paid and the last two payments are being processed. A total of \$408,827.00 has been paid to date to repair road damage.

Property / Crop Damage

Landowners are compensated for damages to property and crops during construction. To date, we have settled with and paid 140 landowners out of 148 total affected landowners. We expect to settle with the remaining landowners by 12/15/2017. A total of \$1,449,067.29 has been paid to compensate landowners for property/crop damage and expect to pay approximately \$41,054.00 more.