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State of South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Warehouse Division Capitol Building 500 East Capitol Ave Pierre SD 57501-5070

RE: COLTON FAMERS ELEVATOR BOND #S-859519

On May 31, 2018, Colton Farmers Elevator filed an original grain buyer bond bearing the number S-859519, in the amount of \$200,000 grain buyer, with an effective date of June 30, 2018, which was for the licensing year 2018/2019.

On October 1, 2018 Hartford Farmers Elevator of Hartford, SD merged with Colton Farmers Elevator of Colton, SD. Colton was the surviving entity in this merger and together they become Valley Central Coop. On October 9, 2018 Valley Central Coop filed an original grain buyers bond bearing the number K09376240, in the amount of \$250,000 with an effective date of October 1, 2018, which is for the licensing year of 2018/2019. The warehouse license for Valley Central Coop is through the USDA and therefore the warehouse bonding is through the USDA.

We formally request the release of the Colton Farmers Elevator Bond #S-859519 from October 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

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