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VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

David Vandervliet
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RE: Open Houses regarding Farm Taps

Dear David Vandervliet:

You are invited to an open house regarding natural gas service to farm taps. Northern Natural Gas would like to answer any questions you may have regarding recent developments related to farm tap service.

Open house meetings will be held in Madison and Beresford, South Dakota, as follows:

Thursday, December 15

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

AmericInn Lodge & Suites Madison
504 10th St SE, Madison, SD 57042

Friday, December 16

10:00 am to Noon

Super 8 Beresford
1410 W Cedar St, Beresford, SD 57004

Representatives of Northern Natural Gas will be available to provide an overview of the issues and address any questions you may have. Attendees may arrive at any time during an open house; discussions will be informal.

Since 2015, Northern Natural Gas has been proactively seeking a solution on behalf of farm tap customers by raising this issue to the attention of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. In my letter to you dated November 22, 2016, I explained that NorthWestern Energy has provided notice that it will cease providing natural gas utility service to your farm tap December 31, 2017, approximately one year from now. Currently, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission is considering whether to allow regulated utility service to certain farm taps to be discontinued, and a decision is anticipated no later than January 9, 2017.

If you have any questions, you are welcome to contact me at (402) 398-7278.

Sincerely,

Laura Demman
Vice President, Regulatory and Government Affairs