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November 5, 2009

Patricia Van Gerpen
SD Public Utilities Commission
500 E. Capitol Ave
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Re: PS09-005

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for filing please find Commission Pipeline Safety Staff's request to extend the time for a declaratory ruling decision.

Sincerely,

Kara Semmler

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

PETITION OF THE COMMISSION)	REQUEST FOR EXTENSION
PIPELINE SAFETY PROGRAM)	PS09-005
MANAGER AND CROOKS MUNICIPAL)	
UTILITIES FOR DECLARATORY)	
RULING REGARDING WHETHER)	
THE CROOKS MUNICIPAL UTILITIES		
GAS LINE SHOULD BE CLASSIFIED		
AS A TRANSMISSION OR		
DISTRIBUTION LINE FOR PIPELINE		
SAFETY PURPOSES		

COMES NOW, Pipeline Safety Staff by and through their undersigned counsel, and files this request to extend the time for decision in the above captioned docket.

IN SUPPORT THEREOF, Pipeline Safety Staff declares as follows:

- 1) On October 9, 2009 Pipeline Safety Staff filed a Petition for a Declaratory Ruling.
- 2) ARSD 20:10:01:35 states the "commission shall issue its declaratory ruling within 60 days."
- 3) The same administrative rule allows the petition to waive said timeframe.
- 4) The parties agree, additional time is necessary to fully explore all issues connected with this docket.

WHEREFORE, Commission Pipeline Safety Staff respectfully request the Commission grant a ninety day extension of the decision timeframe in ARSD 20:10:01:35 to March 8, 2010.

Dated this 5th day of November, 2009




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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that on the 5th day of November, 2009 a true and correct copy of the Request for Extension was served electronically on the following individuals:

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