



November 21, 2018

Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 E. Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Request for Waiver from 49 CFR, 192.481(a)

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen,

Pursuant to SDCL § 49-34B-24, enclosed is a request from NorthWestern Corporation, dba NorthWestern Energy (NWE), for a waiver concerning 49 CFR, Part 192.481 (a), federal code governing the inspection of natural gas pipelines for atmospheric corrosion.

NorthWestern Energy is available for any questions regarding our waiver request.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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