From:	Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul
To:	David Edwards
Subject:	RE: [EXT] SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022
Date:	Monday, April 12, 2021 12:48:00 PM
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Thank you

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From: David Edwards <david.edwards@westplainsllc.com> Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 10:12 AM To: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us> Subject: RE: [EXT] SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

Hello Paul,

Attached please find our year-end 2020 audited financials.

Thank you,



From: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <<u>Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us</u>>
Sent: Friday, March 26, 2021 11:35 AM
To: David Edwards <<u>david.edwards@westplainsllc.com</u>>
Subject: RE: SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

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I will file this one for now, once you have the final yearend go ahead and send that over. Thank you

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From: David Edwards <<u>david.edwards@westplainsllc.com</u>>
Sent: Friday, March 26, 2021 11:30 AM
To: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <<u>Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us</u>>
Subject: RE: [EXT] SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

Hello Paul,

Attached please find our unaudited year-end numbers. Our audited financials are delayed until mid-April. Let me know if you need anything else.

Thank you,

David Edwards



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From: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <<u>Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us</u>> Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 10:34 AM To: David Edwards <<u>david.edwards@westplainsllc.com</u>> Subject: SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

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SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

Tuesday; March 16, 2021

Dear Grain Buyers and Grain Warehouses,

We have come to the time of year for renewal of all South Dakota grain buyer and grain warehouse licenses. We would like to thank all of you for your cooperation during the challenging 2020 license renewal period. The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Grain Warehouse Program is implementing a change to the license renewal notice process. This year we are emailing the renewal information instead of postal service mailing as in years past. If you prefer to receive the paper copy of the license renewal information you may reply to this email or reach us at the phone number below.

Attached is a letter from our Grain Warehouse Program Manager, Cody Chambliss. Also attached is a check list to assist you with the renewal process.

The application can be found on the SD PUC website (www.PUC.SD.gov/warehouse), see the link below. The application needs to be printed and signed by owner, managing partner or chief executive officer of the applicant, and shall be notarized.

https://puc.sd.gov/commission/warehouse/Grain%20License%20Application%20Form.pdf

Your surety company can find our bond form on the SD PUC website (www.PUC.SD.gov/warehouse), see the link below. Once completed by the surety, bond must be signed by the principle; if the principle is a corporation two officers must sign; these signatures will need to be notarized.

https://puc.sd.gov/commission/warehouse/GrainBond.pdf

If your company holds a warehouse license through our office your schedule of rates form will be placed individually in a separate email. If you have received this email and are not the person in your company responsible for this task, please forward internally as needed. All renewal paperwork should be to our office prior to June 1, 2021 to ensure enough time to properly process the information. If social distancing is still a factor for your company, account for this when completing the renewal paperwork. Let us know if you need any assistance with the renewal of your license.

Thank you, have a great day!



I got the bond via Fedex this morning. The president needs to sign and get notarized. This has been frustrating and I apologize for the inconvenience.

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From: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us> Sent: Friday, July 16, 2021 9:28 AM To: David Edwards <david.edwards@westplainsllc.com> Cc: Chambliss, Cody <Cody.Chambliss@state.sd.us> Subject: RE: SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

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We are checking on the status of your SD grain buyers license renewal. We still require your application, \$275 fee and grain buyers bond to

complete the renewal. Your license expired on June 30th so it is vital we renew your license before you purchase any grain. Could you update us on the status of these renewal items. Please see the SD law below on licensing.

49-45-1. Grain buyer's license required--Violation as misdemeanor-- Injunction--Civil fine. Before transacting the business of a grain buyer in this state, a person shall obtain a grain buyer license from the commission. A violation of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor. Each purchase of grain without a license is a separate offense.

Operation as a grain buyer without a license may be enjoined upon complaint of the commission. In addition, the commission may assess a civil fine against an unlicensed grain buyer in the amount of one thousand dollars for each purchase of grain up to a maximum fine of twenty thousand dollars.

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From: David Edwards <<u>david.edwards@westplainsllc.com</u>> Sent: Wednesday, July 7, 2021 4:59 PM To: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <<u>Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us</u>> Subject: RE: [EXT] SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

Will do



From: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <<u>Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us</u>> Sent: Wednesday, July 7, 2021 4:57 PM To: David Edwards <<u>david.edwards@westplainsllc.com</u>> Subject: RE: SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

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Once you have the bond and have it signed and notarized please scan me a copy, thanks.

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From: David Edwards <<u>david.edwards@westplainsllc.com</u>> Sent: Wednesday, July 7, 2021 4:21 PM To: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <<u>Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us</u>> Subject: RE: [EXT] SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

It sounds like I will have the bond in hand by the end of the week.

Sorry for the inconvenience.



From: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <<u>Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us</u>> Sent: Wednesday, June 30, 2021 10:06 AM To: David Edwards <<u>david.edwards@westplainsllc.com</u>> Subject: RE: SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

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Make sure the application is signed and notarized by a company officer.

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From: David Edwards <<u>david.edwards@westplainsllc.com</u>> Sent: Wednesday, June 30, 2021 9:43 AM To: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <<u>Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us</u>> Subject: RE: [EXT] SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

Hello Paul,

Attached please find our application. We used to have two locations but we closed the Merriman, NE facility. Working on the bond.

Thank you,



David Edwards Credit Manager

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From: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <<u>Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2021 9:03 AM
Cc: Chambliss, Cody <<u>Cody.Chambliss@state.sd.us</u>>
Subject: SD PUC license renewal for 2021-2022

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Tuesday; June 29, 2021

Hope this finds everyone well considering the dry conditions we are experiencing in the Midwest. In Pierre we had a few showers but nothing near what we need to stamp out the drought conditions. My lawn is more brown then green right now. Except for the weeds, they seem to withstand anything.

I am working on trying to wrap up the license renewals for the 2021-2022 licensing period. If you are receiving this email, we have not completed the renewal of your grain buyer/warehouse license for South Dakota. If the remaining information has been sent to our office or you have updated our office recently on this information, thank you for doing so.

If you intend to buy or warehouse grain after the expiration of your license tomorrow, Wednesday June 30th, ensure the renewal license is in place before any grain buying or warehousing of grain is conducted. Buying or warehousing grain without a license does have the potential for penalties per SDCL; 49-43-4.2 or 49-45-1.

If you need assistance in completing the renewal of your license or have concerns. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office. We would also appreciate an update on where your company is at with renewing the license. Thank you, have a great day!

From:	Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul
To:	David Edwards; Luke Shaw
Cc:	Sylvia Welsh; Chambliss, Cody
Subject:	RE: [EXT] SD PUC license renewal for West Plains LLC
Date:	Tuesday, August 24, 2021 11:14:00 AM
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Thank you

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From: David Edwards <david.edwards@westplainsllc.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 11:01 AM
To: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us>; Luke Shaw <luke.shaw@westplainsllc.com>
Cc: Sylvia Welsh <SylviaW@westplainsllc.com>; Chambliss, Cody <Cody.Chambliss@state.sd.us>
Subject: RE: [EXT] SD PUC license renewal for West Plains LLC

Working to finish this up.



From: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <<u>Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 10:48 AM
To: David Edwards <<u>david.edwards@westplainsllc.com</u>>; Luke Shaw <<u>luke.shaw@westplainsllc.com</u>>; Cc: Sylvia Welsh <<u>SylviaW@westplainsllc.com</u>>; Chambliss, Cody <<u>Cody.Chambliss@state.sd.us</u>>
Subject: SD PUC license renewal for West Plains LLC

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We are looking to wrap up the license renewals for the 2021-2022 licensing period. We have received your 12/31/2020 fiscal yearend financial statement. We still require your application, \$275 licensing fee and the new bond from your surety in order to renew the license. We will need the original signed/notarized application and bond, as well as the fee mailed to our office. Be mindful your license expired on June 30, 2021 and that buying grain for South Dakota without a current license does hold penalties per SDCL; 49-45-1. Thank you, have a great day!



Sent overnight via Fedex. Should have it tomorrow.

From: Kenefick-Aschoff, Paul <Paul.Kenefick-Aschoff@state.sd.us> Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 10:48 AM

To: David Edwards <david.edwards@westplainsllc.com>; Luke Shaw <luke.shaw@westplainsllc.com> Cc: Sylvia Welsh <SylviaW@westplainsllc.com>; Chambliss, Cody <Cody.Chambliss@state.sd.us> Subject: SD PUC license renewal for West Plains LLC

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