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**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

PUC

500 East Capitol Ave

Pierre SD 57501

January 5, 2017

Reference Docket #NG16-014

Dear Sirs:

Over 50 years ago, we were guaranteed lifetime natural gas access from a farm tap in exchange for the easement that allowed Northern Natural Gas's access crossing our land. We understand that that agreement has been presented to the PUC by another land owner. How can Northern Natural Gas now renege on that agreement with land owners? Please inquire of Northern Natural Gas, that if they renege on that agreement, will NNG retroactively pay rent to all land owners for the last 50+ years of placing/operating their pipeline on our land? But that would still penalize us with no natural gas service, correct?

We land owners abided by the agreement, and expect Northern Natural Gas to do likewise. We are very much in favor of South Dakota's PUC's legislating that NNG abide by their agreement with South Dakota's land owners, providing us with continued natural gas service to/from our farm tap.

Thank you for your kind attention/work on this matter, protecting the interests of South Dakota land owners and users of natural gas.

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