

**From:** PUC

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**To:** [REDACTED]

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Mr. and Mrs. Ollerich:

Thank you for your letter regarding the farm taps matter, docket NG16-014. I understand your concern about the possibility of losing the farm tap and natural gas supply for your land. You will want to follow this docket as it is reviewed and new information is collected by the commission.

This Informational Guide may assist you in understanding why the PUC opened this docket and the commission's process: <http://www.puc.sd.gov/commission/dockets/naturalgas/2016/ng16-014/informationguide.pdf>.

The commission held a hearing on Dec. 14 with testimony from Northern Natural Gas and NorthWestern Energy representatives and PUC staff. You can listen to the recording of the hearing by clicking on the link titled Recording under the Hearing heading in the docket, <http://www.puc.sd.gov/Dockets/NaturalGas/2016/ng16-014.aspx>.

PUC staff filed a letter on possibly resolving this matter via a meeting with NNG and NW, <http://puc.sd.gov/commission/dockets/naturalgas/2016/ng16-014/ltr122016b.pdf>. As a commissioner, I will be voting on this docket. Therefore, your message and my response will be posted under Comments and Responses in the docket.

You are welcome to communicate with a PUC staff analyst or attorney working on this docket, and you may reach them by calling 1-800-332-1782 or 605-773-3201 or emailing [PUC@state.sd.us](mailto:PUC@state.sd.us).

Kristie Fiegen, Chairperson

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