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

RE: PS13-001, In the Matter of the Filing by Commission Pipeline Safety Staff for Approval of a Penalty for a Pipeline Safety Violation by Humboldt Municipal Gas Utilities

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen,

This letter is to inform you of Staff's intent to request deferral of the above-captioned docket, scheduled to be addressed by the Commission on February 13, 2015, at the regularly scheduled Commission meeting. The parties have made progress in confidential settlement negotiations. Therefore, Staff would like more time to work on an outcome that will best serve the interest of public safety.

Sincerely,

Kristen Edwards Staff Attorney

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