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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen  
Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
State Capitol Building  
500 East Capitol  
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Docket No. PS13-006  
Removal of Waiver of 49 CFR  
Sections 192.285(a)(2) and 192.285(c)

Garretson Natural Gas Utilities submits this request to remove the waiver of 49 CFR Section 192.285(a)(2) and 192.285(c) granted by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in Docket No. PS13-006. Garretson Natural Gas Utilities is requesting the Commission remove this waiver as it is no longer necessary and is void by irrelevance due to a change in Pipeline Safety Regulations effective October 1, 2015.

Effective as of October 1, 2015, 49 CFR 192.285 Plastic Pipe: Qualifying persons to make joints.

192.285(c) states:

A person must be re-qualified under an applicable procedure once each calendar year at intervals not exceeding 15 months, or after "any" production joint is found unacceptable by testing under 192.513.

Garretson Natural Gas Utilities request for a waiver, in Docket No. PS13-006, as authorized by the Commission for the following:

1. A person must be re-qualified under an applicable procedure, at least once each calendar year at intervals not exceeding 15-months, if that person (1) does not make any joints under that procedure in the preceding calendar year; or (2) has one joint or one percent of the joints made, whichever is greater, under that procedure that are found unacceptable by testing under Section 192.513; and



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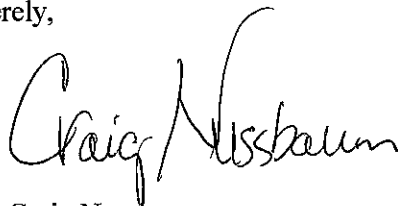
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2. The plastic joining requirements must be included within Garretson Natural Gas Utilities Operations and Maintenance Manual.

Mary Zanter, the Commission's Pipeline Safety Program Manager, requested that because the federal pipeline safety regulation is now consistent with Garretson Natural Gas Utility's practices authorized in Docket No. PS13-006, the Company should make this request because the waiver allowing for an alternative requalification schedule is no longer necessary.

This filing has been electronically submitted to the Commission in accordance with ARSD 20:10:01:02:05. Please contact me at (605) 594-6723 with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Craig Nussbaum". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Craig Nussbaum  
City of Garretson  
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