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

RE: PS15-001, In the Matter of Humboldt Municipal Gas Utilities

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen,

Attached for filing in the above-captioned docket, please find a list detailing the qualification progress of Donn Boll. Pipeline Safety Program Manager Mary Zanter highlighted the items that are of the greatest significance and importance. As you will see, Mr. Boll has completed training in all of those areas. However, while Staff has determined that those areas are the most highly weighted in terms of safety and mitigating the risk of an emergency, all items on the list remain important and Staff in no way takes the position that any should not be completed as quickly as possible. Therefore, it remains absolutely essential that Humboldt continue in its agreement with Ginny Beck of Crooks in order to ensure the safety of the natural gas system and mitigate emergency-related risks.

Staff will continue to monitor the situation and offer any assistance we can. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Pipeline Safety Staff.

Best regards,

Kristen Edwards
Staff Attorney