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On November 17, 2011, Rangeland Energy, LLC reported to the Commission that on November 15, 2011, it had damaged the coating on Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline's 12 inch natural gas pipeline. The Commission's order in Case No. PU-10-637 includes the following provision:

Rangeland shall notify the Commission, as soon as reasonably possible, if any damage, as defined by North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-23, occurs to underground facilities during construction conducted under the certificate or permit issued in this proceeding. In the event of any damage to underground facilities, Rangeland shall suspend construction in the vicinity of the damage until compliance with One-Call Excavation Notice System requirements under North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-23 has been determined and clearance to proceed has been given by the Commission or Commission staff.

Rangeland did suspend construction and provided certain information regarding its requests to the North Dakota One Call System to locate underground facilities.

Since this incident involves a pipeline, I tasked Bob Bachmeier to confirm compliance with One Call law. Bob's November 21, 2011 memorandum confirms that Rangeland did comply with the One Call law and that the damage has been repaired.

Unless I hear otherwise from a Commissioner by Wednesday afternoon, November 23, 2011, I plan to notify Rangeland that construction in the area of the damage may proceed.

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Staff email recommendation re 3rd party damage
concerning WBI system

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