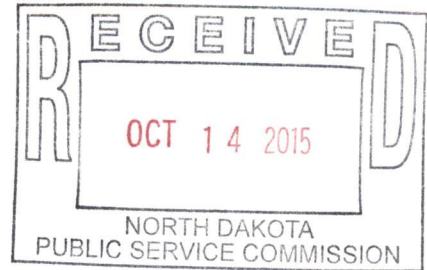




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**Via Overnight Delivery**

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**RE: Case Nos. PU-10-568, PU-10-666, PU-11-66, PU-11-683 and PU-12-656  
Post Construction Inspection Report Follow-up**

ONEOK Rockies Midstream, L.L.C. (“ORM”) received your letter, dated August 28, 2015 (the “Letter”), which requested information identified in Post Construction Inspection Reports prepared for the North Dakota Public Service Commission (“PSC”) associated with the above referenced projects. On September 22, 2015, you granted an extension to ORM until on or before October 16, 2015 to respond to the requests included in the Letter. Accordingly, ORM respectfully submits the below responsive statements and/or enclosed materials.

**1. PU-10-568 – Garden Creek Gas Plant, McKenzie County, North Dakota**

**PSC Request:**

*As per the post construction inspection report, the following information should be provided:*

- *Copy of the air permit and the discharge permit for hydrostatic testing of pipe have not been supplied to the Commission. Order Point No.4 is complete contingent on these permits being supplied to the Commission.*
- *As-built drawings. (Order Point No. 25)*

**ORM Response:**

See the enclosed materials at Tab A.

The Garden Creek I Plant was issued its North Dakota Air Pollution Control Permit to Construct No. PTC11010 by the North Dakota Department of Health (“NDDH”) on May 10, 2011. Please note that a major source Operating Permit for the Garden Creek Gas Plants has not yet been issued. ORM plans to timely submit the application for the Operating Permit on or before October 31, 2015.

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construction inspection report

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The NDDH issued ORM its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (“NPDES”) Permit No. NDG070254 on March 18, 2011, authorizing discharge under the General Permit for Temporary Dewatering/Hydrostatic Testing Permit No. NDG070000.

The enclosed “as-built” drawings for the Garden Creek I plant were prepared with the North Dakota Coordinate System (NAD 83).

**2. PU-10-666 – Stateline 1 and Stateline 2 Gas Plants, Williams County, North Dakota**

PSC Request:

*As per the post construction inspection report, the following information should be provided:*

- *A copy of the letter of coverage for the storm water pollution prevention plan (SWPPP), a copy of the SHPO approved undiscovered finds plan, and the Department of Health air permit to the Commission. Once all permits and licenses have been supplied to the Commission, the Commission can deem the Company compliant with Order Point No. 4.*
- *As-built drawings. (Order Point Nos. 30 and 31)*

ORM Response:

See the enclosed materials at Tab B.

On April 26, 2011, the NDDH issued NPDES General Permit NDR10-000 for Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activities (Permit ID Number NDR103746).

No new discoveries of cultural or historic sites were encountered during construction. In the attached materials, ORM includes copies of the State Historic Preservation Office (“SHPO”) concurrence letter dated January 10, 2011, and the Undiscovered Finds Plan for the project.

The Stateline I and II Plant was issued its North Dakota Air Pollution Control Permit to Construct No. PTC12041 by the NDDH on July 10, 2013. Please note that a major source Operating Permit for the Stateline Gas Plants has not yet been finalized. ORM submitted the application for the Operating Permit on January 2, 2015.

The enclosed “as-built” drawings for the Stateline I and II plants were prepared with the North Dakota Coordinate System (NAD 83).

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**3. PU-11-66 – Garden Creek to Riverview NGL Pipeline, McKenzie County, North Dakota**

PSC Request:

*As per the post construction inspection report, the following information should be provided:*

- *Tree and Shrub Update Reports (Certification Point 20); and*
- *Documentation of re-vegetation surveys and noxious weed surveys (Certification Point 17, 18, 19).*

ORM Response:

At this time, ORM does not have any Tree and Shrub Update Reports to provide. ORM plans to complete the Tree and Shrub Mitigation Plan for the Garden Creek to Riverview Natural Gas Liquids (“NGL”) Pipeline as part of its planned expansion project for its 16-inch Garden Creek Loop NGL Pipeline Project for which ORM’s affiliate, ONEOK Bakken Pipeline, L.L.C., intends to file an application for a Route Permit and Corridor Certificate during October 2015.

In addition, ORM conducted its revegetation efforts for the Garden Creek to Riverview NGL Pipeline as part of its construction stormwater permitting requirements under the state’s General Construction Permit, which has been closed with the NDDH. Under the NDDH General Permit, an applicant has achieved revegetation when the project has obtained a 70% revegetation with permitted native species, which was accomplished for the Garden Creek to Riverview NGL Pipeline.

All revegetation efforts are conducted in accordance with the North Dakota Noxious Weed Statute, NDCC § 4.1-47-02, which does not require separate noxious weed surveys.

**4. PU-11-683 – Stateline NGL Pipeline, Williams County, North Dakota**

PSC Request:

*As per the post construction inspection report, the following information should be provided:*

- *Verification that design, construction and operation is in compliance with US DOT 49 CFR Parts 194 and 195 (Certification Points 7 and 9);*
- *Report on presence or lack thereof of threatened or endangered species, bald or golden eagles during construction (Certification Point 11);*
- *Verification that fencing and warning signs were installed around block valves (Certification Point 9);*
- *Verification that wetland disturbances were permitted, or mitigation measures used during construction to minimize disturbances to wetland areas (Certification Point 4);*

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- *Documentation of noxious weed management procedures used during construction (Certification Point 26); and*
- *Verification of final reclamation and establishment of vegetation including documentation that Canada thistle did not spread post-construction (Certification Points 18-20).*

ORM Response:

See the enclosed materials at Tab C.

In addition, please note that the Stateline NGL Pipeline is a natural gas liquids pipeline, which was constructed and is operated in accordance with 49 CFR Part 195. The Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (“PHMSA”) conducted separate audits of the pipeline during construction, hydrostatic testing, and operation of the pipeline to verify its compliance under 49 CFR Part 195. The construction audits occurred during July and August 2012. The hydrostatic test audit occurred on August 28, 2012. The operation audit occurred between July 7 -10, 2014. ORM received no indications or responses from PHMSA to indicate that the pipeline was not constructed, tested or operated in accordance with 49 CFR Part 195.

No critical habitat or threatened species, endangered species, bald eagles, or golden eagles were observed during ORM’s pre-construction pedestrian survey of the project area. Additionally, none were observed to be present in the permit area during construction activity.

ORM has enclosed copies of the photographs of fencing and warning signs around all block valves.

The Stateline NGL Pipeline was constructed under the authorization of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit 12 (“NWP12”). As authorized, the NWP12 conditions were followed to avoid and minimize wetland disturbances.

Please also see the above response on the Garden Creek to Riverview NGL Pipeline project on the subjects of revegetation and noxious weed management. ORM verifies that during construction the appropriate mitigation measures were applied to prevent the spread of Canada Thistle located south of Highway 2 (Approx Mile Post 7.4). ONEOK has inspected the area surrounding the identified location and will continue to work to mitigate for any spread of the species.

**5. PU-12-656 – Garden Creek II Gas Plant, McKenzie County, North Dakota**

PSC Request:

*The post construction report was issued on April 30, 2015. As per the post construction inspection report, the following information should be provided:*

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- *Verification that McKenzie County approved the zoning change for the property that the project is located on. (Certification Relating to Order Provisions 3)*
- *Weekly reports for the weeks of 09/29/2013, 04/27/2014, 05/04/2014, and 08/10/2014. (Certification Relating to Order Provisions 5)*
- *As-built drawings. (Certification Relating to Order Provisions 32)*
- *Verification that a USFWS consultation response was received on March 26, 2012. (Certification Relating to Order Provisions 3)*
- *Verification that the following permits were received: Air Pollution Control permit Operating Permit*
- *Construction Storm Water Discharge Permit*
- *Temporary Construction Site Dewatering Permit*
- *Hydrostatic Test Water Discharge Permit (Certification Relating to Order Provisions 3)*

ORM Response:

See the enclosed materials at Tab D.

The Garden Creek II Plant was issued its North Dakota Air Pollution Control Permit to Construct No. PTC13034 by the NDDH on May 6, 2013. Please note that a major source Operating Permit for the Garden Creek Gas Plants has not yet been issued. ORM plans to timely submit the application for the Operating Permit on or before October 31, 2015.

ORM verifies that a USFWS consultation response was received on March 26, 2012. Please reference the letter to USFWS dated February 9, 2012 and note the USFWS stamp at the bottom of the page dated March 26, 2012 that confirms their concurrence with ORM's findings.

A separate Temporary Construction Site Dewatering Permit was not required and is not applicable to this project. The dewatering conducted for this project is authorized under the Stormwater Discharge from Construction Activities NPDES General Permit NDR10-000 (Permit ID Number NDR103445). Additionally, this project is covered under NPDES Permit No. NDG070416, which authorizes discharge under the General Permit for Temporary Dewatering/Hydrostatic Testing Permit NDG070000.

Based on the above statements and enclosed materials, ORM believes it has complied with all items ordered by the PSC for the referenced projects.

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Thank you for your attention to the foregoing and enclosed materials. Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Geoff A. Sands". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Geoff" being the most prominent.

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Vice President, Natural Gas Gathering and Processing Operations

Enclosures

cc: Wesley J. Christensen, Senior Vice President, Operations (w/out encl.)  
Walter L. Allen, Vice President, NGL Pipelines and Terminals (w/out encl.)  
Brian Boulter, Vice President, Construction Projects (w/out encl.)