



October 20, 2016

Darrell Nitschke - Executive Director
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard; Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Case No. PU-11-696
BEPC - AVS 345-kV Transmission Line Project Notification of Safety Incident

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

The following is a summary of a safety related incident that involved ABC Fencing & Oil Field Services, LLC's (ABC) staff that required medical services that occurred on Basin Electric Power Cooperative's Antelope Valley to Neset 345-kV Transmission Line Project:

On Thursday, October 13, 2016, the contractor's employee was in the process of fastening down a loaded foundation re-bar cage to the transport trailer when the load collapsed onto the employee's lower leg. The employee was transported to the Watford City Medical facility where he received initial medical care. The employee was subsequently transferred to a Minot Medical Facility where surgery was performed on the injured leg on Friday. The employee has been released and has returned to his primary place of residence for convalescence.

The safety incident occurred at the Patent Gate Material yard, where the current project related activity is associated with the removal of the project's spare material and the reclamation of the material laydown yard area to its pre-project land use.

This Safety Incident warranted a review of process and procedures associated with material loading and handling for transport by the contractors Safety personnel and on-site training of the contractor's staff.

Should you have any further questions or require any additional information regarding this matter, please contact me at 701.557.5635 or by email at cmiller@bepc.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cris Miller".

Cris Miller
Senior Environmental Project Specialist

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Basin Electric Power Cooperative

Cris Miller