


# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Commissioners Kalk and Cramer  
**FROM:** Christopher Marohl, Public Utility Analyst   
**DATE:** June 21, 2012  
**RE:** Damage Prevention Enforcement – Interstate Traffic Signs Case No. GS-12-220

Commissioners,

On May 22, 2012 Alliance Pipeline filed a third party damage complaint against Interstate Traffic Signs. The complaint made no allegations that Interstate violated One Call laws and was referred to the ND PSC for assistance to iterate the importance of accurate extent of work instructions.

After reviewing ND One Call ticket no. 12058404, which disclosed that the excavation sites were actually marked, and holding a phone conversation with Alliance Pipeline Safety Performance and Compliance Coordinator Dan Munthe, Commission Staff determined that neither Interstate Traffic Signs nor Alliance Pipeline were in violation of One Call laws. However, Staff has iterated to both parties the importance of giving accurate instructions and not completely relying on mapping software to determine where an excavation will take place.

Based on its finding that all ND One Call laws were followed and no damage was reported, Staff will close the case on June 29, 2012 unless otherwise directed by you.