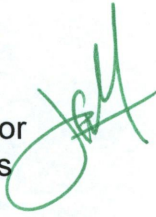


PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

MEMORANDUM

TO: File
Case No. WM-15-706

FROM: Joshua Gallion, Director
Weights and Measures 

DATE: October 31, 2016

RE: Northwood Equity Elevator Company
Temporary Variance Permit
Expiration Date November 5, 2016

On October 23, 2015, Northwood Equity Elevator Company applied for a variance permit to operate commercially a Waconia, 20,000 lb. hopper scale that does not have the required 3' clearance on all four sides of the scale.

On October 27, 2015, Weights and Measures Inspector Wayne Grangaard performed a site inspection and did not think the clearance issue would affect the accuracy of the scale.

On November 5, 2015, a temporary variance permit was issued through November 5, 2016 and required the scale to be tested in April 2016 and October 2016. Both of those tests were performed by Prairie Scale Systems, Inc. and no adjustments were needed.

Wayne Grangaard will perform another site inspection prior to making the decision to issue a permanent variance permit or extend a temporary variance permit. This site inspection will not be completed prior to the November 5, 2016 temporary variance permit expiration date.

Based on the two service company inspections, I am extending the current temporary variance permit until Wayne can perform the site inspection.