

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Public Service Commission
Great Plains Natural Gas Co.
Pipeline Safety Enforcement**

Case No. GS-17-14

Order
Preliminary Statement

On January 4, 2017, the Manager of the Public Service Commission Gas Pipeline Safety Program issued a Notice of Probable Violation (NOPV) to Great Plains Natural Gas Co. (Great Plains) alleging one violation of natural gas pipeline safety regulations, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Part 192 (49 CFR 192), and proposing a \$2,500 civil penalty.

Great Plains committed one violation of 49 CFR 192 section 706 by failing to conduct leakage surveys of its Hankinson to Fairmount transmission pipeline at intervals not exceeding 15 months.

On January 31, 2017, Great Plains submitted a payment of \$2,500. By paying the full amount of the civil penalty proposed, Great Plains has admitted the violation as alleged in the NOPV. By paying the proposed civil penalty, Great Plains has waived all rights to further response to the NOPV and to appeal this Order.

Having considered this matter, the Commission issues the following:

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The Commission Orders:

1. Great Plains Natural Gas Co. committed one violation of 49 CFR 192 section 706.
2. Great Plains Natural Gas Co. has remitted a payment of \$2,500 in full satisfaction of the civil penalty proposed in the NOPV and this case is close.

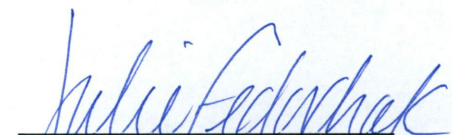
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