

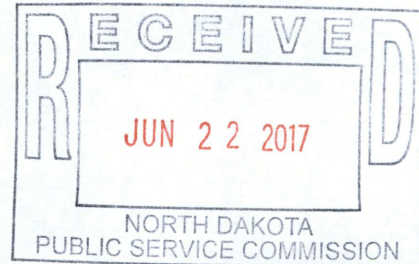
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June 22, 2017

Mr. Darrell Nitschke  
Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



**Re: Case No. PU-17-241**

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

CenturyLink submits this response to an informal One Call complaint filed by North Plains Utility Contracting related to locate request #17047571 called on May 23, 2017. CenturyLink's records show that locates were performed within the required timeframes, and pictures from our locate contractor, Summit Utilities, show the locates in place on May 25.

CenturyLink is concerned about the allegations in the complaint related to communications and has offered an alternative line of communication to the complainant in the event that further communication issues arise.

Summit Utilities has provided us with the following timeline of events:

1. Ticket 17047571 came into Summit's system on May 23 at 4:14 p.m.
2. On May 24 at 11:24 a.m., ND811 cancelled Ticket 17047571 and updated it with Ticket 17048078.
3. Ticket 17048078 was completed on May 25 at 12:11 p.m. CenturyLink's locator marked to the end of the white flagged area.
4. On Tuesday, June 2, North Plains called and indicated about 1200 feet had not been marked. CenturyLink's locator was an hour away, drove to the location and completed the additional requested area as soon as possible.

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CenturyLink believes that there has been no violation and asks that the complaint be dismissed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kent Blickensderfer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kent" and last name "Blickensderfer" clearly distinguishable.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 22nd day of June, 2017, the original and seven copies of the attached were served upon the following party:


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