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State of North Dakota

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November 15, 2017

Marty Goulet
Wagner Construction, Inc.
National Registered Agents, Inc.
314 E Thayer Ave
Bismarck, ND 58501-4018

Re: ND One-Call Excavation Notice System: North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-23

Dear Mr. Goulet:

Enclosed is a copy of a ND One-Call Complaint, with attachments, against Wagner Construction, Inc., received by the North Dakota Public Service Commission on November 8, 2017 from Paul Riely at Montana-Dakota Utilities of Williston, ND, Case Number PU-17-459. The location of the damage identified in the complaint is the intersection of Welo St N and 2nd St NE in Tioga, ND.

I am sending you this information so that you are aware of the complaint and may respond with information concerning the complaint. **Please respond to Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary, North Dakota Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept 408, Bismarck, ND 58505-0480 by December 4, 2017**, with your written account of the event, including the applicable One Call locate ticket number for work performed at the address indicated.

Your response and the ND One-Call Complaint will be reviewed to determine whether there may be a violation of the One-Call Excavation Notice System law.

If I do not receive a response by the date noted, I will determine whether there was a violation, without your side of the story, based on the facts contained in this complaint. If I conclude a violation did occur I will file a formal complaint against Wagner Construction, Inc. with the Commission, which may result in a penalty up to \$25,000 per violation as approved by the North Dakota Legislative Assembly in 2013 under North Dakota Century Code Section 49-07-01.1.

Please contact me at 701-328-3397 or at vschock@nd.gov with any questions regarding this correspondence.

Sincerely,

Victor Schock
Public Utilities Division
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E Boulevard Ave, Dept 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Enc: ND One-Call Complaint with attachments
c: Paul Riely with attachments

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Letter enclosing North Dakota one-call complaint
Public Service Commission
Victor Schock



ND ONE-CALL COMPLAINT

Public Service Commission

SFN 59067 (5-17)

To allege a violation of the One-Call Excavation Notice System Law: North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-23

PART A – WHO IS SUBMITTING THIS COMPLAINT (COMPLAINANT)

Company/Person Montana-Dakota Utilities Co./Paul Riely	Street Address 121 W 8th Ave	City Williston	State and Zip Code ND, 58801
Telephone and Cell Phone Number 701-572-1614/701-516-4357	Email Address paul.riely@mdu.com		Date 8 November 2017
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complainant is willing and able to testify on the complaint if matter goes to formal hearing			

PART B – WHO VIOLATED THE ONE-CALL REGULATIONS (RESPONDENT)

Company/Person Wagner Construction	Street Address 3153 Highway 53	City International Falls	State and Zip Code MN, 56649
Telephone and Cell Phone Number 218-283-3700	Email Address		

PART C – ALLEGED VIOLATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Operator failed to provide or update the information provided to the notification center on a timely basis <input type="checkbox"/> Excavator failed to provide excavation or location notice at least 48 hours before beginning any excavation <input type="checkbox"/> Excavator failed to provide required information in excavation or location notice <input type="checkbox"/> Notification center failed to transmit the notice to every operator that has an underground facility in the area of the excavation <input type="checkbox"/> Notification center failed to inform the excavator of the names of operators of underground facilities in the area <input type="checkbox"/> Operator failed to locate and mark underground facility within 48 hours <input type="checkbox"/> Excavation started prior to underground facility locate <input type="checkbox"/> Operator failed to mark underground facility within 24 inches horizontally <input type="checkbox"/> Excavator failed to renew excavation or location request prior to the expiration of the twenty-one-day period <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excavator failed to conduct the excavation in a careful and prudent manner to avoid damage of underground facilities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excavator failed to maintain the markings during excavation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (identify the specific section of NDCC Chapter 49-23) _____
Location of Violation: Tioga, North Dakota
Date and Time of Violation: 1731 hrs on 24 August 2016
Description (summarize the observations on which you rely to allege the violation) <i>If more space is required, please provide the description on a separate page.</i> See attached Document

PART D – DAMAGE

Fatalities NA	Injuries NA	In-patient Hospitalization NA
Underground facility type(s) and Operator(s) affected: Steel Natural Gas Distribution Main		
Estimated Value of Damage (damage as defined under NDCC Chapter 49-23): \$ \$27,477.07	Number of Customers Affected 25	
Other impact of event: 21 Homes lost Natural Gas service. 4 homes were evacuated until the following morning due to Natural gas found Migrating into the homes. Had to cut power to that portion of Tioga because of ignition concerns.		
Please attach photos of Event Area or Damaged Facility		

PART I – SIGNATURE

Signature of Person Filing Complaint <i>Paul Whaley</i>	Date 11/8/2017
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Submit

If the "Submit" function is not working properly, please print the completed form and then either **email to** ndpsc@nd.gov, **fax to** 701-328-2410 or **send to** Public Service Commission, 600 E Boulevard Ave Dept 408, Bismarck ND 58505-0480.

Telephone: (701) 328-2400



MONTANA-DAKOTA

UTILITIES CO.

A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

121 W 8th Ave
Williston, ND 58801
701) 572-2152

November 8, 2017

Public Service Commission
600 E Blvd. Ave. Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

To whom it may concern;

On or about 1731 hours on the 24th of August 2016, an operator of a skid steer loader for Wagner Construction struck a two inch Tapping Tee located on a six-inch steel distribution main in the City of Tioga. This caused a roughly three-inch hole to be tore into the gas main. Wagner Construction was excavating under locate ticket 16107803. Wagner Construction did not maintain the locate marks when destroyed nor did the operate in a careful and prudent manner.

The damage was in the area of North Welo and 4th Street. The tee that was damaged was a branch line that was attached to the main feeder for the town of Tioga. This caused the immediate interruption of customers on that branch line. After checking the perimeter, the decision was to maintain the gas flow to the town of Tioga, instead of shutting off the supply to the entire town.

The damage caused an interruption of service to 25 customers. Four of those had to be evacuated from their homes due to the presence of natural gas in the home itself. Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. also interrupted electric service to this area during the repair time to prevent the ignition source. Williams County Emergency Management was notified and responded to the Williston Office for support if any of the displaced family's needed help.

Due to the line that was damaged extra crews were brought in from elsewhere in the company to aid in the repair, which was completed the next day.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul W. Riely".

Paul Riely
District Gas Operations Supervisor
(701) 572-1614
paul.riely@mdu.com

North Dakota One Call

Ticket No: 16107803
Update of: **LORG RESPOT**
16094408
Original Call Date: 08/01/16 06:38 pm
Op: webusr4
Work to Begin Date: 08/04/16 07:00 am
Op: webusr4

CALLER INFORMATION

Company Name: WAGNER CONSTRUCTION INC
Fax Phone:
Contact Name: KEVIN HESSE
Phone: 218-283-3700
Alt Contact: KIP
Alt. Phone: 218-240-1743
Caller Address: 3151 HWY 53, SUITE 1 INTERNATIONAL FALLS, MN 56649
Email Address: k.hesse@wagnerconstructioninc.com

DIG SITE INFORMATION

Type of Work: INSTALL SEWER MAIN
Work Being Done For: CITY OF TIOGA
Depth: 10FT
Explosives: N
Tunneling/Boring: N

DIG SITE LOCATION

County: WILLIAMS
Place: TIOGA
Address:
Street: WELO ST N
Intersecting Street: 2ND ST NE
Location of Work: FROM THE ABOVE INTERSECTION GO NORTH ON WELO ST N 1800 FEET TO SIGNAL RD MARK ROW TO ROW THANKS
Remarks:
Map Twp: 157N
Rng: 95W
Sect-Qtr: 27-NE,22-SE
Map Coord NW Lat: 48.4016073
Lon: -102.9369807
SE Lat: 48.3967207
Lon: -102.9344273

MEMBERS NOTIFIED

District	Company Name	Marking Concerns	Status
MDU12	MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES	406-728-9343	Does not participate in Ticket Check
NWCOMM01	NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS COOP	701-568-3331	Does not participate in Ticket Check
TIOGA01	CITY OF TIOGA	701-641-3550	Does not participate in Ticket Check

Legend: Locate Polygon

Lat/Lon

Ticker: 16107803.0 Timestamp: 8/2/2016 3:16:34 PM



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Ticket: 16107803.0 Timestamp: 8/2/2016 3:19:58 PM



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Ticket: 16107803.0 Timestamp: 8/2/2016 3:20:02 PM

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Ticket: 16107803.0 Timestamp: 8/2/2016 3:20:12 PM

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Ticket: 16107603.0 Timestamp: 8/2/2016 3:20:14 PM



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Ticket: 16107803.0 Timestamp: 8/2/2016 3:20:58 PM



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Ticket: 16107603.0 Timestamp: 8/2/2016 3:21:42 PM



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Ticket: 16107803.0 Timestamp: 8/2/2016 3:24:12 PM

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Ticket: 16107809.0 Timestamp: 8/2/2016 3:25:04 PM



1858839, 36172250



25/08/2016



25/08/2016



25/10/2016

INVOICE

SOLD TO:

WAGNER CONSTRUCTION
 3151 HWY 53 STE 1
 INTERNATIONAL FALLS MN 56649

Invoice Number: 27516
 Customer Number: 221598
 Invoice Date: 11/28/16
 Reference Number: WIL WO# 236633
 Amount Due: \$23,158.54
 Due Date: 12/28/16

Return upper portion with your payment to address listed on back

Terms: Net 30 Days

Reference: WELO & 4TH ST

Line	Due Date	Description	Amount
001	12/28/16	REPAIR GAS MAIN	\$23,158.54
		\$16,712.28 - LABOR	
		\$ 2,581.19 - EQUIPMENT	
		\$ 3,622.30 - MATERIALS	
		\$ 242.77 - MISC	
Please put invoice number 27516 on payment.			
Total	Tax Rate	Tax	Total Amount Due
\$23,158.54			\$23,158.54

Invoice 29064 → Gas loss

4318.53

Please mail payment to:
 Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
 Attn: Revenue Accounting
 400 North 4th Street
 Bismarck, ND 58501-4092

Total → \$27,477.07

Questions? Please call us toll-free at (800) 472-2150, EXT 7817

INVOICE

SOLD TO:

WAGNER CONSTRUCTION
3151 HWY 53 STE 1
INTERNATIONAL FALLS MN 56649

Invoice Number: 29064
Customer Number: 221598
Invoice Date: 05/05/17
Reference Number: WIL WO# 236633
Amount Due: \$4,318.53
Due Date: 06/04/17

Return upper portion with your payment to address listed on back

Terms: Net 30 Days

Reference:

Line	Due Date	Description	Amount
001	06/04/17	GAS LOSS FOR INV# 27516 \$4,318.53 - GAS LOSS OF 1.169.7DK	\$4,318.53
Please put invoice number 29064 on payment.			
Total	Tax Rate	Tax	Total Amount Due
\$4,318.53			\$4,318.53

Please mail payment to:
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Attn: Revenue Accounting
400 North 4th Street
Bismarck, ND 58501-4092