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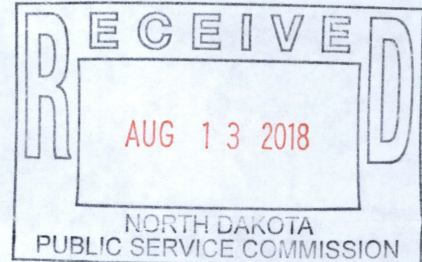
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August 10, 2018

Public Utilities Division
North Dakota Public Service Commission
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Re: ND One-Call Excavation Notice System: North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-23

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Master Construction Co. Inc. strives to promote and ensure the safety of our employees as well as that of the general public. Safety is a top priority that stretches company wide. We do regret the incident that occurred on July 4, 2018 and we are fully aware that the outcome of this incident could have had a catastrophic effect.

The ticket number for the locate on this job was 18067369. Jason Winter was the project manager present at the time of the incident and Brandon Nesemeier was the operator. I have included additional pictures from this incident showing that the new line was not bored properly, the height of the old line and a text between Jason Winter and Chad Rick from Xcel Energy.

Xcel Energy subcontracted Q3 contracting to install new gas services at this location, they were to relocate the service to the appropriate required depth. The pre-existing line was directly under the concrete, when Q3 did the work it was not done correctly. Q3 buried the first portion of the line but, brought it back up to meet the old line which is where Brandon hit it. You can also, see from our pictures that pot holing was done to ensure that an incident like this would not occur.

It is Master Construction's belief that had the subcontractor, Q3 Contracting, hired by Xcel Energy to install the new line done so properly the incident occurring on July 4, 2018 would not have occurred. We feel that the responsibility for this should not be solely placed on Master Construction Co. Inc., and it would be appreciated if these additional facts be considered when deciding.

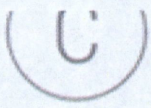
Sincerely,

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Response to North Dakota One-Call Complaint

Master Construction Co., Inc.
Rachel Hardy





Good morning Jason,

You will need 2.5 feet minimum of cover to drive over the 8" main. We are trying to pull resources from other areas to get material to move it. I will keep you updated as we move along.

8:50 AM

Thursday, July 5, 2018





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