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From: Schock, Victor F.
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2019 3:46 PM
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Subject: FW: Carstensen contracting Inc Response Included Photos
Attachments: PSC - CCI Response - Copy.pdf; Locate Ticket# 19040338.pdf; Locate Ticket# 19050029.pdf; Locate Ticket# 19065561.pdf; #1 Photo.JPG; #1 Picture.jpg; #2 Photo.JPG; #2 Pcture.jpg; #3 Photo.jpg; #3 Picture.jpg

Please file as additional response in PU-19-210

Thanks,

Victor Schock

From: Gina Gilbert <GGilbert@ccimn.net>
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2019 3:30 PM
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Victor,

Please see the above attached response to the One-Call Complaint dated June 28th 2019. Please let Brad or myself know if you have any questions.

Thanks
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7/29/2019

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Re: Case Number PU19210

One-Call Complaint Notice dated June 28, 2019. ND One-Call Excavation Notice System; North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-23.

Dear Victor,

Carstensen Contracting (CCI) is responding to the One-Call Complaint notice that was received from the North Dakota Public Service Commission, filed against CCI by Kris Neilson w/ONEOK alleging the following occurred on 6/19/2019 at 1:00 PM at the location of T155N-R99W-NENES Sec 13 Watford ND 58854:

- Excavator failed to provide excavation or location notice at least 48 hours before beginning any excavation.
- Excavator failed to provide required information in excavation or location notice.
- Excavation started prior to unground facility locate.
- Excavator failed to conduct the excavation in a careful and prudent manner to avoid damage of underground utilities.

ONEOK provided 3 locate tickets on the one-call complaint for the area CCI excavating. Those ticket number are: #19065563, #19065568, and #19065570. But there are additional tickets CCI called in that are not mentioned in ONEOK's complaint.

The first ticket#19040338 was called in 5/15/19 at 20:04:57 for work to begin 5/18/19. ONEOK finally updated their locate ticket status 5/19 at 21:34:08 to marked. This date and time is more than 48 hours after the locate ticket was called in. The second not mentioned locate ticket #19050029 called in 5/29/19 at 4:58 for work to begin 6/1/2019. On 5/31/19 at 15:35:12 ONEOK updated their ticket status as Clear/No Conflict on 5/31/19 at 9:17:12.

The first two tickets #19040338 and #19050029 were never marked by ONEOK. Please see the attached photos. Photo #1 and #1 picture, photo #2 and #2 picture, and photo #3 and picture#3. Photo #1, #2, and #3 were taken at the project location. Picture #1, #2, and #3 are aerial maps for refence for the photos taken. Because CCI had locate tickets that stated marked and clear no conflict we had no reason to believe there was a ONEOK gas line present. Because

of that on June 12th the CCI bore crew was on-site and completed a bore. Had there been flags, our CCI bore crew would have immediately stopped and called ONEOK.

Subsequently 6/19 our main line crew was on-site and to start excavation to install a water line. This crew was following behind the bore crew that has been in the vicinity prior. During this time a ONEOK rep stopped by and said there was a gas line in the area. The CCI crew immediately stopped work and called in the emergency locate ticket#19067352. Because of that emergency ticket the prior refresh ticket#19065561 was canceled. At this time CCI did not see any flagged gas lines or permanent gas line markers. After the emergency locate ticket was called in ONEOK came out and marked the lines.

In this particular and surrounding area CCI has completed 17 bores. At each one of them a watchdog for ONEOK has been present. For the bore completed on 6/12/19 a watchdog was not present because there were no flags indicating gas lines and our locate tickets for the area also showed clear/no conflict. Had there been ONEOK flags we would have taken the necessary steps and called them two days prior to digging so they could be present.

Lastly, Carstensen Contracting Inc. did in fact excavate in a careful and prudent manner. Prior to completing the bore or open cut excavation there was a hydro-vac crew onsite that came out and potholed the area to verify the lines that were marked and properly verified by the other utility companies. At that time, no ONEOK lines were discovered and also at this time there were no flags present.

Due to the above-mentioned details that we respectfully request that the complaint filed be denied.

Please contact Brad Carstensen at 507-820-1570 or bcarstensen@ccimn.net if you have any questions regarding this information.

Sincerely
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