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June 25, 2020

Magnum Electric, Inc.  
Mike Graham  
5354 42<sup>nd</sup> St S, Suite A  
Fargo, ND 58104-4032

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

Dear Mike:

Enclosed is a copy of a ND One-Call Complaint, against Magnum Electric, Inc., received by the North Dakota Public Service Commission on June 24, 2020, from Toby Gross at Montana Dakota Utilities, of Bismarck, ND, Case Number PU-20-279. The location of the damage identified in the complaint is approximately 6002 N 19<sup>th</sup> St, Bismarck, 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 Executive Secretary, North Dakota Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept 408, Bismarck, ND 58505-0480 by July 10, 2020**, 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 Magnum Electric, 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](mailto: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  
c: Toby Gross

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Letter enclosing North Dakota One-Call Complaint

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# ND ONE-CALL COMPLAINT

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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/Toby Gross	Street Address 909 Airport Rd	City Bismarck	State and Zip Code ND 58504
Telephone and Cell Phone Number 701-224-5827	Email Address toby.gross@mdu.com		Date 6/24/2020
<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 Magnum Electric	Street Address 820 S 18th St	City Bismarck	State and Zip Code ND 58504
Telephone and Cell Phone Number 701-751-3033	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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Excavator failed to conduct the excavation in a careful and prudent manner to avoid damage of underground facilities <input 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: 6002 N 19th St, Bismarck ND
Date and Time of Violation: 6-18-2020 notified at 8:58 AM
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>  Excavator was trenching to install parking lot lights at 6002 N 19th St Bismarck ND. While trenching they trenched through the 1 1/4" service line causing a break in the line. Upon arrival our emergency responders did not see any locates and the excavator did not have a valid locate for the area where the service line damage occurred.

## PART D – DAMAGE

Fatalities None	Injuries None	In-patient Hospitalization None
Underground facility type(s) and Operator(s) affected: Natural Gas Service Line      Montana Dakota Utilities		
Estimated Value of Damage (damage as defined under NDCC Chapter 49-23): \$ \$1200	Number of Customers Affected 1	
Other impact of event: None		
Please attach photos of Event Area or Damaged Facility		

## PART I – SIGNATURE

Signature of Person Filing Complaint Toby Gross	Date 6/24/2020
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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







