

October 7, 2023

Mr. Steve Kahl, Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 480
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: Case No. PU-23-300
Dakota Natural Gas, LLC
Natural Gas Pipeline - Larimore & Arvilla, ND
Public Convenience & Necessity

Case No. PU-23-301
Dakota Natural Gas, LLC
Natural Gas Pipeline - Larimore & Arvilla, ND
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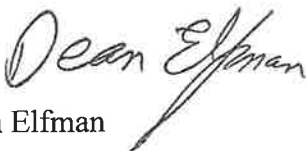
Dear Mr. Kahl and Public Service Commission,

On behalf of the citizens of Larimore, North Dakota, I am writing to express the City's enthusiastic support for Dakota Natural Gas, LLC's (DNG's) application for approval of the requests necessary for it to provide natural gas service to the Larimore area. The residents and businesses of Larimore currently lack access to natural gas. Although the city has tried to obtain natural gas in the past, no project was feasible, and Larimore's citizens must continue to rely on other energy sources for their heating and other needs. DNG is the only natural gas provider that has found a way to make natural gas service here a very real possibility.

The city believes that natural gas access – both for Larimore and for other communities – is important to its future. Natural gas access will significantly increase the city's economic development opportunities, as it is a sought-after resource when businesses are selecting development locations. In addition, natural gas prices are very competitive, and the city believes that its residents will experience substantial economic savings if they have the option of using natural gas as an energy source. With natural gas service, our citizens will realize sizable energy cost savings for their businesses and homes. Additionally, because natural gas provides a consistent and uninterrupted supply, there is no worry about running out during extreme winter conditions, so energy reliability is increased.

The lack of natural gas service in our community has been a detriment to business and residential development, and I look forward to the increased opportunity for growth and economic development when natural gas service is available. The City of Larimore appreciates the opportunity to obtain natural gas service and we support DNG's request for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and its request for tariff revisions so that our community can benefit from this essential service. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Dean Elfman
Mayor

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