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Subject: Case No. PU-25-172, ONEOK Tioga Extension Project, Condition No. 34 and 7 Notice

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Per our Order, Condition No. 34., “Company shall notify the Commission as soon as reasonably possible if any damage, as defined by North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-23, occurs to underground facilities during construction conducted under the certificate or permit issued in this proceeding. In the event of any damage to underground facilities. Company shall suspend construction in the vicinity of the damage until compliance with One-Call Excavation Notice System requirements under North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-23 has been determined.”

On behalf of ONEOK, I am providing the following notice regarding an incident involving underground facilities:

On 10.4.2025 at 3:11pm on the Tioga Extension Project an unmarked, abandoned 3 inch poly line was struck during excavation operations on the ROW north of 70th street at station 244+76. The poly line was damaged with approximately 16 oz. of hydrocarbon-type residue released into the trench. Work was stopped.

ONEOK’s contractor attempted to reach all utility companies to determine the line’s ownership. A relocate/re-spot of the affected one call ticket has been submitted via the online one call system. At the suggestion of the Hess representative who responded to the incident, the line was plugged with concrete on both sides of the ditch. There was no tracer wire or detectable tape found with the abandoned, unmarked poly line.

On October 7, 2025, State of North Dakota Mineral Resources – Oil and Gas Division representative, Robert J. McDonnell, visited the site with a representative of Hess. At this time no utility companies have claimed this line and Mr. McDonnell’s research indicated it could possibly be an old Hess line. Mr. McDonnell and the Hess representatives are satisfied with the reporting process and the actions taken to clean up and cap the abandoned line.

In addition, a notification of the release of emulsion was reported via the spill.nd.gov. Due to severing an unmarked subsurface polyline, about 16 ounces of an emulsion was released. This was reported to spill.nd.gov by the Project on Sunday, October, 7. As noted in that report, all released residue was captured with the soil it had contacted and subsequently disposed of.

Very respectfully,



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