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Subject: New One Call Complaint Form

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1. Action Requested By:

Complaint filed on behalf of or by: Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.

Contact Person: Ron E. Blum

Phone: 605-355-4021 **Ext:**

Street Address or PO Box: PO Box 1060

City: Rapid City

State: SD

Zip: 57709

Fax: 605-355-4036

Email Address: ron.blum@mdu.com

Date:

2. Action Requested Against:

Name of excavator / facility operator: Zandstra Construction

Phone: 605-348-9300 **Ext:**

Street Address Or PO Box: PO Box 1940

City: Rapid City

State: SD

Zip: 57709

Fax: --

Email Address:

Is this party aware of your allegations?: Yes

Provide detail including whom you spoke with: Scott Zandstra. I called and left a message. Informed him by email that MDU would be filing a complaint with the SD One Call Board.

3. Basic Facts:

Street Address / location of alleged violation: E. Minnesota St. & Fieldstone Dr.

City: Rapid City

State: SD

Date of alleged violation: 11/21/2012

Time of alleged violation: 12:30 p.m.

Describe your allegation: Contractor was excavating utility trench without a valid SD One Call locate.

Do you believe the alleged violation to be intentional?: Yes

Why or why not?: MDU construction supervisor on the scene, Gary Higlin, questioned the operator and was told that they didn't think they needed locates. Our main was hit where it was marked above ground with a locator wire and yellow pipe.

4. Excavation / Locate Information:

Was a locate requested from SD One Call?: No

If a locate was requested:

Locate ticket #:

Start date and time on ticket:

Did the excavator wait until the start date / time on the ticket before commencing excavation?: No

If no, when did excavation begin (date and time)?:

Did the excavator maintain a minimum horizontal clearance of 18 inches between a marked facility and mechanical equipment?: No

Explain:

Were buried facilities exposed by hand or non-invasive equipment prior to excavation?: No

Were facilities marked?: No

Was the marking complete prior to the start time on the ticket?:

Did the excavator pre-mark with white paint?:

Was the facility marked accurately (within 18 inches)?:

Did the excavator use reasonable care to maintain locate marks for the life of project?:

Type of facility involved: 2" plastic natural gas main

Operator of facility (if known): Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.

Operator address (Street or PO Box): PO Box 1060

City: Rapid City

State: SD

Zip: 57709

Phone: 605-355-4021

Depth of Cover: 3 feet

Pressure: 55 psig maop

Voltage:

of cable pairs:

5. Damages

Was the facility damaged?: Yes

If yes, provide detail and an estimate of damage: Gas main was punctured causing a blowing gas leak that required emergency response and repair. < \$1000.00.

Were damages on public right of way or private property?: Public

Was anyone injured as a result of facility damage?: No

If yes, provide detail:

Length of hospitalization:

Were there fatalities?: No

If yes, provide detail:

Was operator service affected?: No

If yes, provide detail (how many customers for how long):

Other information regarding injuries or damages:

6. Statutory Violation

Specific statute(s) or rule(s) you believe were violated: 49-7A-5 No locates were requested prior to excavation.

Other information to support your position: