

-----  
**From:** [donotreply@sdonecall.com](mailto:donotreply@sdonecall.com)[SMTP:DONOTREPLY@SDONECALL.COM]

**Sent:** Thursday, June 27, 2013 3:26:42 PM

**To:** PUC Docket Filings

**Subject:** New One Call Complaint Form

**Auto forwarded by a Rule**

### **1. Action Requested By:**

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

**Contact Person:** Ron 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](mailto:ron.blum@mdu.com)

**Date:** 6/27/2013

### **2. Action Requested Against:**

**Name of excavator / facility operator:** John Teupel (Tuepel Construction)

**Phone:** 605-645-3325 **Ext:**

**Street Address Or PO Box:** PO Box 916

**City:** Spearfish

**State:** SD

**Zip:** 57783

**Fax:** --

**Email Address:** [tuepel@rushmore.com](mailto:tuepel@rushmore.com)

**Is this party aware of your allegations?:** Yes

**Provide detail including whom you spoke with:** MDU employee, Bruce Sprynczynatyk, talked to Dan Sperlin (605-591-9265) on the jobsite about digging without locates. Contractor was going off locates from previous fall.

### **3. Basic Facts:**

**Street Address / location of alleged violation:** 410 Belleview Court

**City:** Spearfish

**State:** SD

**Date of alleged violation:** 05/11/2013

**Time of alleged violation:** 12:35 p.m.

**Describe your allegation:** Contractor was digging without valid locates and struck a 3/4" plastic gas line.

**Do you believe the alleged violation to be intentional?:** Not Sure

**Why or why not?:** Contractor may have been informed of One Call law after previous damages.

#### **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?:**

**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?:** NA

**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?:** NA

**Did the excavator pre-mark with white paint?:** No

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

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

**Type of facility involved:** natural gas service line

**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:** more than 12"

**Pressure:** 35 psig

**Voltage:**

**# of cable pairs:**

#### **5. Damages**

**Was the facility damaged?:** Yes

**If yes, provide detail and an estimate of damage:** 3/4" plastic service line cut in two. Less tha \$500 to repair.

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

**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:** No locates were requested from SD One Call violating 49-7A-5.

**Other information to support your position:**