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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: Wade Jutila

Phone: 605-355-4034 **Ext:**

Street Address or PO Box: PO Box 1060

City: Rapid City

State: SD

Zip: 57709

Fax: 605-355-4036

Email Address: wade.jutila@mdu.com

Date: 7/2/2014

2. Action Requested Against:

Name of excavator / facility operator: RL Construction and Design

Phone: 605-574-9550 **Ext:**

Street Address Or PO Box: 23851 Hwy 385

City: Hill City

State: SD

Zip: 57745

Fax: 605-574-9529

Email Address: RL@RLconstruction.com

Is this party aware of your allegations?: No

Provide detail including whom you spoke with:

3. Basic Facts:

Street Address / location of alleged violation: 2451 Emerson Lane

City: Rapid City

State: SD

Date of alleged violation: 04/16/2014

Time of alleged violation: 3:30 p.m.

Describe your allegation: Excavator damaged 3/4" plastic service line while digging with backhoe on referenced address with no locates. Note that in attached pictures the yellow paint was placed on the ground by the excavator as a guide to mark where he was digging, not where the gas line was located. Only tickets found when searching referenced street for RL Construction were from July of 2013.

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

Why or why not?: No locates had been called in by excavator for over eight months for referenced address. Excavator had previously obtained two locates the prior year for this project so knew they were necessary to be updated periodically and failed to obtain new locate prior to resuming work in the spring.

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?: NA

Were facilities marked?: NA

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: 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: 605-355-4034

Depth of Cover: 18"

Pressure: 45 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 was severed in two. Estimate of \$350.00 damage.

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: Statute 49-7A-5 Notification of proposed excavation.

Other information to support your position: