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South Dakota One-Call Notification Board
c/o South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol
500 East Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed rules and the progress that has been made.

We do not object to the rules but we will require more precision in locating utilities in our right of way. We would like all underground utilities to be electronically locatable but these rules are a step forward and we appreciate the work that has been accomplished. Not requiring utilities using plastic pipe to be electronically locatable will increase design delay and expense for the DOT when we have to build on a new alignment.

We appreciate everyone's efforts and we look forward to working with you in the future to improve these processes.

Sincerely,

Darin Bergquist, Secretary
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cc: Larry L. Englerth, Executive Director, SD One Call