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To whom it may Concern:

On Monday, December 7, 2015 at 4:56 pm CDT an Emergency Locate, Locate Message 1534173671, was placed by the City of Fort Pierre, SD to SD 811. It was to replace a broken water valve at 0 Casey Tibbs St intersection of E Cedar Ave. Joey Montana, water department, was on scene the entire time and never witnessed USIC coming to mark/clear the property for digging nor was he or anyone else contacted that the scene was cleared for digging.

The City waited the allotted four hours that are required after normal working hours before proceeding to dig which was approximately 9 pm CDT. Meanwhile, there were five fire hydrants and 14 residents without water until approximately 2 am CDT, which was almost a 12 hour period from the initial break.

Sincerely,

Joey Montana
City of Fort Pierre
Water Department
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