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SD One Call Notification Board
c/o Public Utilities Commission
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**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: COMPLAINT #OC07-002

I am in receipt of your correspondence regarding the above mentioned complaint. My response follows regarding the damaged cable located at 7505 W 64th St, Sioux Falls.

I was contacted by the property owner regarding digging a basement on the property. The weekend that he wished to have the basement dug was a VERY wet spring weekend. When I was contacted by the property owner, he was in a very big rush to get the basement dug before Monday, April 2nd, as he had the concrete work scheduled for Monday morning. I agreed to help with the earthwork based on his hurry on Sunday, April 1st.

When I inspected the property, the basement had already been staked out. With this, I made the assumption that the locates had already been done as needed. Because the basement was staked and the concrete work was scheduled for the following day, I had assumed the call had been made to locate everything. Obviously, this was incorrect.

I am aware of the necessity for locates and have always contacted SD One Call when necessary. On this occasion I did not, as explained above, because I was under the impression that the property owner had already handled that.

Thank you for your time.

Cordially,

Justin Kuper
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