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## Progress Report/Mid-Term Report

*1. A comparison of actual accomplishments to the objectives established for the period;*

*1<sup>st</sup> Quarter: Initial contacts with proposed participants of the Table Top Exercises (TTXs). This will require traveling between the 10 counties in the region and the state capital of Pierre, SD. The outcome of this quarter will be to set the stage for stage 2. Costs will be travel and supplies.*

October 4, 2017: Traveled to Pierre, SD and met with the South Dakota Pipeline Association to discuss TAG Grant. They offered assistance in providing assistance as requested and if needed.

October 31, 2017: Traveled to Pierre, SD and met with Bob Wilcox, Executive Director, South Dakota Association of County Commissioners. He supplied the names and addresses of elected county officials for the proposed exercise areas.

December 28, 2017: In Brookings, SD I met with Todd Kays, Director of the First Association of Local Governments to discuss contacting the professional planners in the proposed exercises area.

January 11, 2018: Teleconference with SDPA to update them on status of grant.

Contact was also made directly with Northern Natural Company and TransCanada representatives. Both companies' pipelines will be involved in the exercises.

One item of concern identified was the fact that a new Emergency Manager was hired by one of the counties (Beadle County) identified as having one of the Table Top Exercises. A request will be submitted through channels to change counties and move the Beadle County Exercise to Hanson County. This change is being recommended by the South Dakota Office of Emergency Management Region Six Coordinator.

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*2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter: Conduct a HSEEP prepared Workshop in both selected cities, Yankton and Huron, SD. This is where the objectives are finalized. Expenses will be travel related to the locations.*

- 1. Where the output of the project can be quantified, a computation of the cost per unit of output; and*

Travel was conducted to Alexandria and Yankton, South Dakota to discuss the proposed table top exercises. Exercise planning was done, objectives were identified but the Table Top Exercises were not completed as of now.

Miles driven as of the mid-point reporting period:

256.6 miles Yankton, SD, one trip so far.

208.8 miles Alexandria, SD, one trip so far.

378.8 miles Pierre, SD, two trips made so far.

- 2. The reasons for slippage if established objectives were not met.*

The winter was stronger than it has been in the past five years. Therefore travel to the identified cities was not available in a timely manner. The region had Blizzard warnings and conditions as late as April 13-15, 2018.

The progress although slower than anticipated we believe that all objectives will be met on schedule as outlined in the TAG agreement.

If you have any additional concerns or questions please contact me at 1-605-692-5212.

Sincerely,



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