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**MEMO**

TO: Mahesh Sharma  
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FROM: Jon Burgstrum, P.E.  
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SUBJ: Setting an Installation Completion Date for the Alliant Energy IPL-CLI-RM Pipeline Project

DATE: March 28, 2017

In the summer and fall of 2016, Alliant Energy constructed a new 16” diameter natural gas pipeline in Scott County. The pipeline project is along a 12.3-mile long corridor which starts near the intersection of 235<sup>th</sup> Street and 270<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Scott County and runs northwesterly into Clinton County terminating near the intersection of US Hwy 67 and S. Washington Blvd.

Iowa law requires the County Board of Supervisors to provide an on-site inspector to perform land restoration inspection services in accordance with the standards adopted under Iowa Code 479.29, 479A.14, 479B.20 and 199 IAC Chapter 9. Land restoration inspection includes observation of topsoil removal, salvage, and replacement, drain tile repairs, and restoration of areas of soil compaction; to name a few. With Board approval on June 30, 2016, we entered into a contract with Clapsaddle-Garber Associates, Inc. (CGA) to perform this inspection.

CGA has notified us that all known tile repairs and soil restoration has been completed to the specifications required by the Iowa Code in Chapter 9, as well as the Instruction for County Inspectors booklet prepared by the Iowa Utilities Board. We have also spoken with Alliant Energy and they began pumping natural gas through the pipeline on February 7, 2017. Alliant Energy has stated that there are some properties that require re-seeding and de-compaction, and that work will be completed this spring.

Iowa Code 479.46 provides instruction regarding the determination of installation damages when an agreement cannot be made between the pipeline company and a landowner whose land was affected by the installation of the pipeline. We were contacted by such a landowner who has requested that the Board of Supervisors determine when the installation of the pipeline was completed. Section 479.46 specifically states that “The county board of supervisors shall determine when installation of a pipeline has been completed in that county for the purposes of this section. Not less than ninety days after the completion of installation, and if an agreement cannot be made as to damages, a landowner whose land was affected by the installation of the pipeline or a pipeline company may file with the board of supervisors a petition asking that a compensation commission determine the damages arising from the installation of the pipeline.” By setting the installation date, this will allow the landowner or pipeline company to file this petition if so desired.

I am recommending that the Board of Supervisors pass a resolution stating that the installation of this pipeline was completed on February 7, 2017.

THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S SIGNATURE CERTIFIES THAT  
THIS RESOLUTION HAS BEEN FORMALLY APPROVED BY  
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

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SCOTT COUNTY AUDITOR

R E S O L U T I O N

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

April 6, 2017

APPROVAL OF THE ALLIANT ENERGY IPL-CLI-RM PIPELINE INSTALLATION  
COMPLETION DATE IN SCOTT COUNTY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Scott County Board of Supervisors as  
follows:

Section 1. That installation of the Alliant Energy IPL-CLI-  
RM Pipeline has been completed in Scott County for the  
purposes of Iowa Code Section 479.46.

Section 2. That installation of this pipeline was completed  
on February 7, 2017.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect  
immediately.