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May 2, 2001

Pennington County Commissioners
315 St. Joseph Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

Ref: Building Permit Fee
Water Reclamation Facility Upgrade and Expansion

Dear Commissioners:

The City of Rapid City is pursuing an upgrade and expansion of its Water Reclamation Facility (WRF). This upgrade and expansion will allow the City to continue providing environmentally sound wastewater treatment for its customers to an estimated year, 2018. The majority of these customers, who are or will be serviced by the Water Reclamation Facility, reside within Pennington County.

The City has obtained Pennington County Conditional Use Permit 01-07 to allow the City to proceed with this project. As a condition of this permit and per County Ordinance, the City must obtain building permits for permanent structures constructed as part of this project. The building permit process requires payment of a building permit fee of 1% of the cost of construction. This fee will add to the overall cost of this project and will be passed along to the users of the Water Reclamation Facility.

Therefore, the City of Rapid City requests the building permit fee be waived for construction associated with this and future projects at the Water Reclamation Facility. Waiver of this fee will assist the City in holding project cost in check and allow funds, that may have gone towards the building permit fee, to be used directly towards the project.

The City of Rapid City appreciates your consideration of this request. If you have questions regarding this request or this project please contact me at (605) 394-4165.

Sincerely,

Daniel L. Bjerke, P.E/L.S.
Public Works Director