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December 15, 2017

Daniel P. Wolf Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7th Place East Suite 350 St. Paul MN 55101-2147

RE: United Natural Gas, LLC's Petition for expansion to the Lower Sioux Community and incidental service along the way. Docket No. G6960/M-16-214

Dear Mr. Wolf,

The City of Lafayette supports and approves the United Natural Gas expansion of their services to the Lower Sioux Agency and incidental services along the way and to adding a Tribal Council member to the local rate board.

Earlier this year Doug Lund and Darv Turbes attended a council meeting to update council on the progress of natural gas services in our community and they informed council at that time of their plans to submit to the PUC for expansion to the Lower Sioux community. Council acknowledged this was acceptable.

As the PUC has requested, the City of Lafayette is aware of and assents to the Commission's expansion of UNG's exemption under Minn. Stat. § 216B.16, subd. 12. Council met on Monday, December 11, 2017 and approved that a letter of support be submitted to the Public Utilities Commission on behalf of the UNG expansion as stated above. The utilities rate audit was reviewed by the board on Thursday, December 14, 2017 at the first rate board meeting.

Our citizens who converted to natural gas last fall have now enjoyed being part of United Natural Gas for over a year and our hopes are that many more will enjoy their natural gas services as we have, once the expansion to the Lower Sioux Community is complete.

Sincerely,

Mayor Norman Langhoff