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Mr Mike Wolff
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RE: Butte-Meade SWD Public Water System

Dear Mr Wolff:

Congratulations to you from DANR! For 22 consecutive years the Butte-Meade SWD public water system has met the requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act and the state of South Dakota's regulations. It is our pleasure to present to you the **Secretary's Award for Drinking Water Excellence** that recognizes your system and the system's operation specialists that have demonstrated excellence in water system management and maintenance.

You will also find enclosed a draft press release concerning the award your system has received. The release can be provided to your local newspaper and includes information about the award.

Thank you for all you have done these past 22 years to maintain safe drinking water for your consumers. If we can be of assistance to you, please contact us at (605) 773-3754.

Sincerely,

Mark S. Mayer, P.E.
Administrator
Drinking Water Program

Enclosure

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DANR RECOGNIZES BUTTE-MEADE SWD FOR DRINKING WATER COMPLIANCE

PIERRE – Today the South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DANR) announced the Butte-Meade SWD public water system and the system's operation specialists have been awarded a Secretary's Award for Drinking Water Excellence.

"Consistent success is a true measure of excellence," said DANR Secretary Hunter Roberts.

"With more than 22 years of consecutive compliance, the Butte-Meade SWD has demonstrated its commitment to providing its customers with safe and reliable drinking water."

To qualify for the Secretary's Award for Drinking Water Excellence, public water systems and their system operations specialists had to meet all of the compliance monitoring and reporting requirements, drinking water standards, and certification requirements for ten consecutive years or more.