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Dear Mr. Harrington,

Please accept this letter as a formal request by the City of Box Elder for review and written comment/approval of the Rapid City MPO for a proposed project. The City of Box Elder is proposing to apply for Federal Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant funds for a proposed project involving the construction of roads and other related infrastructure to serve a proposed industrial park in Box Elder. EDA requires the written concurrence of the MPO anytime a proposed project entails construction or changes to roadways.

The project location is north of 225<sup>th</sup> Street and to the east of N. Ellsworth Road and the existing VRC Metal Systems location (refer to maps attached). The infrastructure improvements will provide access and utility services to 10 lots (lots 1-2 of Block 1, and Lots 1-8 of Block 2, Freedom Park Subdivision, Box Elder, Pennington & Meade Counties, South Dakota) of a proposed industrial park. Current infrastructure is insufficient to support industrial uses and is being completely replaced to allow for the construction of the new industrial park. A total of approximately 1,500 linear feet of new roadway as well as all required supporting infrastructure and utilities will be installed within the 60' wide public rights-of-way. Two streets will be constructed: Innovation Way and Innovation Place (see plats attached).

The two streets will be designed to meet City of Rapid City design specifications. Innovation Way will be the longer of the two proposed streets and is being designed as a 3-lane collector street. Innovation Place; the shorter of the two streets, will be a 2-lane



collector. Both proposed streets will have curb and gutter as well as sidewalks. Sidewalks will be five feet in width and separated from the road by a boulevard section. Both streets will have street lighting as well as storm sewer pipe and inlets.

A complete list of all specific right-of-way improvements include the construction of water, sanitary sewer, storm sewer, utility trench, roadway, curb, gutter, sidewalks, street lights and related appurtenances. The project requires 27,600 cubic yards of excavation, 850 cubic yards of topsoil, 1,457 tons of class G asphalt, 1,766 linear feet of PVC water main (4-8"), 1,186' of sanitary sewer main, 2,300' of HDPE storm sewer (15-30"), 3,274 linear feet of common utility trenching and conduit, 12,600 square feet of 4" concrete sidewalk, and street painting, signage, and related appurtenances. Streetlights and foundations are included. The project will also include all civil, geotechnical, and electrical engineering, and surveying fees.

If you have any questions regarding this proposed project or need further information to process our requested review, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Nicole Schneider, City Administrator and Chief Finance Officer

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Cc: Bill Lass, Black Hills Council of Local Governments