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Re: PP 3234(51), 34th Ave, E of I29 by Brookings, SD, PCN 0505
DOT 197429L, MP 288.3
Crossing Surface & Railroad Signals

Dear Mr. Bate:

This letter is to advise you that the Department of Transportation has officially approved and executed the agreement between the State and the Rapid City, Pierre & Eastern Railroad for the installation of highway-rail grade crossing signals and crossing surface at the above referenced location. Enclosed is the Railroad's copy of the executed agreement.

The Railroad is authorized to proceed, and shall give notification to its contractor, that they can proceed with the purchase of the associated materials.

The Railroad will coordinate signal and crossing surface work with Brookings County Highway Superintendent, Dick Birk, telephone #605-696-8270.

Prior to beginning construction, the railroad shall notify the State's Watertown Area Engineer, Matt Brey at 605-882-5166.

Please submit all billings as they relate to the costs associated with the above project to the aforementioned Area Engineer, Matt Brey, South Dakota Department of Transportation, PO Box 1446, Watertown, South Dakota 57201-1446.

Sincerely,
OFFICE OF PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

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