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To Whom It May Concern:

We would like to express our interest in supplying our area with more water for future needs in industry and growth.

Our community has experienced positive growth in the recent years. This growth has included the construction of a new hospital, expansion of JLG Company manufacturing plant, plus other new and exciting projects. There is also the possibility of an ethanol plant with a coal fired power station. This development will create more opportunities for employment and residents in the area. We are hoping the growth will also invite more growth in the industrial and commercial area of our community.

For these reasons we feel that the proposed water supply pipeline would be a great benefit to our part of North Dakota so we can continue to grow, prosper and create more jobs for North Dakotans.

Please advise me if there is anything that we can or should do to be part of this project or other projects to solve water supply needs for the City of Oakes.

Sincerely,

Garry Opp
Mayor
City of Oakes

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