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### **Gov. Daugaard Announces \$8.611 Million for Miller Infrastructure Projects**

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources approved an \$8.611 million funding package to Miller for infrastructure improvements.

The funding package includes a \$1 million grant and \$3.541 million loan from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program for wastewater improvements; a \$1.958 million Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program loan for storm water improvements; and a \$2.112 million Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program loan for drinking water distribution improvements, with \$692,000 in principal forgiveness which leaves \$1.42 million for loan repayment. Loan terms are 3.25 percent for 30 years for the Clean Water loans and 3 percent for 30 years for the Drinking Water loan.

The funds will be administered through the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

“I am pleased to announce that Miller will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Daugaard. “This funding will help the city make much-needed infrastructure improvements to better serve the city’s residents.”

The wastewater and storm water projects involve replacing the city’s aging infrastructure in several phases. Phase I sewer main work includes replacing 10,000 feet of sanitary sewer, 3,930 feet of service pipe and manholes. Improvements to the wastewater system include repairing the west lift station, replacing the east lift station and installing an electronic control system at both lift stations. Phase I storm water work involves installing 2,500 feet of storm sewer lines.

The drinking water distribution project involves replacing 7,300 feet of 6-inch water main, 1,000 feet of 8-inch water main and 850 feet of 10-inch water main.

The funding package will cover the estimated cost of the project.

The State of South Dakota and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency fund the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program, which provides grants and low-interest loans for wastewater, storm water and nonpoint source projects. The State of South Dakota and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency fund the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program,

which provides low-interest loans for public drinking water system projects. Principal forgiveness is a subsidy option that results in a reduced loan repayment amount for the borrower.

The board met Wednesday and Thursday in Pierre.