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Mayor David Ruth
City of Deadwood
102 Sherman
Deadwood, SD 57732

RE: Secretary's Award for Drinking Water Excellence

Dear Mayor Ruth:

Congratulations to you from DANR! For 21 consecutive years the City of Deadwood public water system has met the requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act and the state of South Dakota's regulations. Twenty-one consecutive years of supplying safe drinking water to the public is a remarkable achievement. 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 as well as those operation specialists who have been recognized for their dedication and concern for safe drinking water. If any operation specialists are listed in error, please revise accordingly.

Thank you for all you have done these past 21 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

cc: Randy Pfarr, Utility Manager

Enclosure



SECRETARY'S AWARD
FOR DRINKING WATER EXCELLENCE
2021

By virtue of the authority vested in me, and after due consideration, I do hereby certify that the

City of Deadwood

through extra concern and endeavor has met all state requirements for safe drinking water
and has supplied **twenty-one** consecutive years of safe drinking water to the public it serves.

Secretary
Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources