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**Gov. Dugaard Announces \$3.89 Million
for Edgemont Drinking Water Project**

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Dugaard says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources has approved a \$3.89 million funding package to Edgemont for drinking water system improvements.

The funding package includes a \$2 million Consolidated Water Facility Construction Program grant and a \$1.89 million Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan, with \$1.207 million in principal forgiveness. Loan terms are 0 percent for 30 years.

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

“I am pleased to announce that Edgemont will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Dugaard. “This funding will help the city make much-needed drinking water system upgrades to provide safe, reliable drinking water to the city’s residents.”

The project involves rehabilitating two wells, constructing a 250,000-gallon elevated storage tank, installing 3,500 feet of piping to connect to the distribution system and constructing a water treatment system to remove radiological contaminants and cool the water.

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 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 Thursday in Pierre.