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Rural Development Ensures Quality Water for Sutherland Residents

Sutherland, Neb., April 30, 2008— Sutherland residents will receive a new well through a \$1,736,000 United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development loan.

“On behalf of the village board, I would personally like to thank USDA Rural Development, village employees and the village engineer, Tom Werblow for helping us through this project. Without their help we would not have been able to attain these funds,” stated Chairperson Tory Copeland, Village of Sutherland.”

“Currently Sutherland’s wells contain high nitrate levels and with the wells being located in close proximity to commercial business operations, there is increased community concern regarding water quality,” stated Roberta Mues, USDA Rural Development specialist. “The new well field will be located outside the corporate limits of the Village with the wells drilled at a depth that will resolve the Village’s water concerns.”

Loan terms are 40 years at 4.75 percent interest. A Community Development Block Grant of \$250,000 comprised the balance of the funding needed.

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