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USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDS LAGOON FOR VERDIGRE

Verdigre, Neb., August 19, 2008—The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development awarded \$1,249,000 to the Village of Verdigre for the construction of a complete retention lagoon stem that will serve the 519 residents of the community.

“The Village of Verdigre thanks USDA Rural Development for their assistance with our wastewater project,” stated Alisha Bartling, village clerk of Verdigre. “Due to the current state regulations we had no choice but to make the change from a mechanical plant to lagoon ponds. This was a big step for our small community and the financial assistance from USDA Rural Development made it less difficult.”

“The USDA Rural Development loan will construct the needed lagoons, install approximately 9,200 linear feet of force main and will include the pumping needed from the existing collection site to the lagoons,” stated Jolene Kasper, area specialist, USDA Rural Development. “After projection completion, the Village will be back into compliance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit regulatory requirements.”

USDA Rural Development loan provided through the Waste Disposal Loan program. Loan terms are 40 years at 2.75 percent rate of interest. For additional information contact Jolene Kasper, (402) 371-5350 Ext. 103, (402) 437-5093 (TDY); jolene.kasper@ne.usda.gov; 1909 Vicki Lane, Suite 103, Norfolk, NE 68701. Visit <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/ne/>.

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