

IN THE SUPREME COURT

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
FILED

OF THE

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

*Shif A. Johnson-Lund*  
Clerk

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BUTTE-MEADE SANITARY WATER	)	ORDER DIRECTING ISSUANCE OF
DISTRICT, a governmental subdivision	)	JUDGMENT OF AFFIRMANCE
Of the State of South Dakota,	)	
Plaintiff and Appellee,	)	#31152
vs.	)	
	)	
NATIONWIDE MUTUAL INSURANCE	)	
COMPANY, an Ohio corporation for	)	
non-profit, and MJ DRILLING INC.,	)	
a Wyoming Corporation,	)	
Defendants and Appellants.	)	
	)	

The Court considered all of the briefs filed in the above-entitled matter, together with the appeal record, and concluded pursuant to SDCL 15-26A-87.1(A), that it is manifest on the face of the briefs and the record that the appeal is without merit on the ground that the issues on appeal are clearly controlled by settled South Dakota law or federal law binding upon the states (SDCL 15-26A-87.1(A)(1)), now, therefore, it is

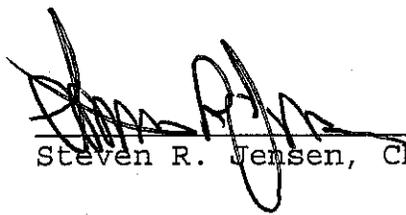
ORDERED that a judgment affirming the Judgment of the circuit court be entered forthwith.

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota, this 17th day of February, 2026.

BY THE COURT:

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of the Supreme Court  
(SEAL)

  
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Steven R. Jensen, Chief Justice

PARTICIPATING: Chief Justice Steven R. Jensen and Justices Mark E. Salter, Patricia J. DeVaney, Scott P. Myren and Robert Gusinsky.