

**Mn/DOT E-mail Concerning Progressive Contractors, Inc.,  
Party Submission**

From: Daniel Dorgan  
Sent: Mon 10/20/08 10:23 AM  
To: Bagnard Mark  
Subject: MnDOT Response to Submission by PCI October 1, 2008

Mark,

Mn/DOT has read Progressive Contractors, Inc. (PCI) submission to the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) dated October 1, 2008.

We agree with the contention that had the gusset plates been properly designed by the original design consultant the bridge would not have failed due to the loads applied to the bridge on August 1, 2007.

Regarding the variety of other assertions in the PCI Submission, we believe the various NTSB Factual Reports, Wiss Janney Elstner Report, and the information Mn/DOT has provided as a Party to the investigation are a more accurate depiction of the facts and history surrounding this bridge.

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