STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Thunder Butte Pipeline, LLC Thunder Butte Pipeline Project Siting Application

Case No. PU-24-086

NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing on the application in Case No. PU-24-086 is scheduled for April 2, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. Central Time at the American Legion Post 0121, 16 Main Street, Parshall, ND 58770.

On January 8, 2024, Thunder Butte Pipeline, LLC (Thunder Butte) filed a combined application with the Public Service Commission for a certificate of corridor compatibility and route permit for a crude oil transmission pipeline. The project will consist of construction of an approximately 3.84-mile pipeline and the conversion of an approximately 30.8-mile existing gathering pipeline in Ward and Mountrail Counties, North Dakota, with approximately 3 miles of the new pipeline located within the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. The pipeline location is shown on the attached map.

On February 20, 2024, Thunder Butte filed an amended combined application with the Commission.

On October 28, 2024, Thunder Butte filed an additional amended combined application with the Commission replacing the prior applications.

On January 22, 2025, Thunder Butte filed a response to a Commission information request.

Thunder Butte also filed an application for waiver of procedures and time schedules established under North Dakota Century Code sections 49-22.1-05, 49-22.1-06, 49-22.1-07, 49-22.1-08, and 49-22.1-10, and North Dakota Administrative Code section 69-06-01-02 and chapter 69-06-06, requiring separate notices and separate hearings on such applications.

The issues in the application for waiver of procedures and time schedules are:

- 1. Is the proposed facility of such length, design, location, or purpose that it will produce minimal adverse effects and that adherence to applicable procedures and time schedules may be waived?
- 2. Is it appropriate for the Commission to waive any procedures and time schedules as requested in the application?

The issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

- 1. Will the location and operation of the proposed facility produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
- 2. Is the proposed facility compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
- 3. Will the proposed facility location minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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