

NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
October 5, 2005

**Plains Pipeline, L.P.
Buford Expansion/McKenzie - Williams Cty
Siting Application**

Case No. PU-05-185

- Company: Plains Pipeline, L.P.
- Facility: Approximately 4.62 miles, 10-inch diameter crude oil pipeline. Affected counties are McKenzie and Williams
- Purpose: Capacity expansion necessitated by increased oil and gas exploration in the Richland County Bakken Field near Sidney MT.
- Cost: Estimated at \$1.5 million. Application fee: \$5,000 per million = \$7,500
- Schedule: Plains hopes to begin construction in November 2005.
- History: On March 28, 2005 Plains filed its Letter of Intent to construct the crude oil pipeline. On July 26, 2005 Plains filed its consolidated application for a certificate of corridor compatibility and a route permit.
- Today's Action: The Commission will vote whether the application is complete and to provide notice of Plains' request for a Corridor Certificate and a Route Permit.

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