

## MEMORANDUM

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Plains Pipeline, L.P.  
Buford Expansion/McKenzie & Williams Counties  
Siting Application

Case No. PU-05-185

To: Commissioners, Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco, Bill Binek  
From: Patrick Fahn  
Date: November 22, 2005

Subject: Pre-construction Conference

The Commission's November 22, 2005 order required that a conference be held prior to construction of the Buford Expansion Project in McKenzie and Williams Counties. The order required that the conference include a Plains representative, its construction supervisor, and Commission staff to insure Plains fully understands the conditions set forth in the order.

On November 16, 2005 I made a pre-construction visit to the Buford Expansion Project proposed route. On November 22, 2005, a pre-construction conference was held (by conference call). In attendance were Mark Olson (Plains' Division Manager, Western Pipeline Division), Ed Shypkoski (Plains' District Manager of Operations-Belfield District) located in Belfield ND, Dan Holli (Plains' Environmental Specialist) located in Bowman ND, Lawrence Bender (attorney on behalf of Plains) located in Bismarck, and myself.

An additional aid to the preconstruction conference was a plan and profile map filed by Plains on November 17, 2005. The preconstruction conference included a review of the Commission order's findings of fact and ordering clauses, the penalty provisions under NDCC § 49-22-21, and a question and answer period.