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Mr. Darrell Nitscheke
Executive Director, Public Utilities Division
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC
Station Construction Project (PU-06-349)

Dear Mr. Nitscheke:

The purpose of this letter is to submit the first year monitoring results of the tree and shrub planting effort that was conducted in spring 2009 for the above referenced case. As stated in Condition 19 of the PSC's Order "...Enbridge shall inspect tree replacements once a year for three years, on the anniversary of the plantings, and send a report on or shortly before October 1 of each year to the Commission documenting work completion and condition of woodlands planting. The Commission may order additional plantings if survival rates are less than 75%."

For your reference, 66 trees and 4 shrubs were removed during the Station Construction Project. The Williams County Soil Conservation District (WCSCD) planted 88 common lilac, 58 Black Hills spruce, and 29 green ash trees in spring 2009 according to a planting plan approved by the North Dakota State Forester and the PSC. The WCSCD monitored the planting site in fall 2009. Approximately 90 to 95 percent of the plantings survived the first growing season and appear to be thriving. Photographs of the plantings are attached. Enbridge does not propose any corrective actions at this time. The WCSCD will continue to monitor and report on the plantings in 2010.

If you have questions or require further information, please contact Jeff Mackenthun of Merjent, Inc., Enbridge's environmental consultant, at (612) 746-3668, or me at (715) 394-1572. Thank you for your continued assistance on this project.

Sincerely,
Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kris Benson".

Kris Benson
Environmental Analyst II, CHMM

cc: Jeff Mackenthun, Merjent, Inc.

Attachment

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Letter Providing First Year Monitoring Results of
Tree/Shrub Planting

Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC

Kris Benson, Environmental Analyst



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