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Ms. Susan Wefald
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Dear Commissioner Wefald:

On behalf of the City of Fargo, I am writing to request that the Canadian pipeline construction permit that is being proposed to be located in eastern North Dakota be denied unless and until there are significantly greater protections added and Manitoba private and governmental entities adopt a realistic and practical approach to cross boarder activities.

Manitoba private and governmental entities have a long history of protesting projects in North Dakota that, without scientific or engineering foundation, they claim will alter or damage their environment. Given the nature of this project, it is without question that environmental risks must be thoroughly identified and steps taken to prevent or mitigate. I believe it is safe to say that a petroleum pipeline running through our state presents great risk to North Dakota's environment. Only after all such risks are identified, protected against and mitigated can such a project be considered. However, protection and mitigation are just the starting point. Equally important is a practical cooperative approach by Manitoba entities to any water project being developed in North Dakota.

Our initial concern results from the fact that the City of Fargo has rights to water behind the Baldhill dam. Fargo annually draws water out of the Sheyenne River which is fed by the Baldhill dam. This water is used for domestic City needs and our continuing need for public health and safety demand care when dealing with this resource. If this proposed pipeline were to rupture and its content spill into the Sheyenne River, such an incident would dramatically jeopardize public health in Fargo. We cannot let this high risk venture compromise our ability to secure water from the Sheyenne River.

If this pipeline is a high priority to the company proposing its construction, I believe the proponents should select a location outside of North Dakota unless and until adequate protections are identified and put in place and an attitude of cross-boarder realism to problem solving comes to exist.

Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,

Dennis R. Walaker
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Mr. Tony Clark
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