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From: Rafferty, Tom D.
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2007 2:40 PM
To: 'Elk42041@aol.com'
Subject: RE: Keystone pipeline.
Attachments: pud-2-participation-process.pdf; NoticeofFilingandHearing.doc

Dear Buel,

Thank you for submitting comments to the Public Service Commission regarding the proposed pipeline that TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP has applied for permission to build in eastern North Dakota. We appreciate your interest in this case and we will place your comments in the public input file.

I have included a copy of the Commission's Notice of Filing and Notice of Hearing with this letter and an informational brochure about formal cases. You are welcome to attend the hearings. In addition, you can find information about this case on the commission's website, www.psc.state.nd.us.

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A more complete explanation of formal and informal comments is explained in the brochure that is included with this letter. If you need more information, please contact our office or visit our website.

Sincerely,

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To: -Grp-PSC Commissioners; -Grp-PSC Public Utilities
Subject: FW: Keystone pipeline.

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Email re Concerns re Route Selection & PSC
Response
by Public Service Commission by B. Sonderland & Rafferty
07/10/2007 CC: Comm Legal Illona, Pat ALJ

From: Elk42041@aol.com [mailto:Elk42041@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, July 09, 2007 8:59 AM

To: -Info-Public Service Commission

Cc: scott@wday.com

Subject: Keystone pipeline.

Poor Route Selection for Canadian Pipeline.

The pipeline to be built through eastern North Dakota will carry Canadian crude oil from the northern Alberta tar sands field to Illinois refineries. This is a significant development of great benefit to the USA and pipelines are necessary to meet our petroleum needs. What the public needs to be aware of is the proposed route of the pipeline as it runs through ND.

ND is notorious for its wide open spaces. So the few beautiful scenic areas with forested, hilly terrain and rivers through them are very unique and precious to the eastern end of the state.

First area of concern starts soon after the line enters the state, it passes a few miles west of Walhalla, between that city and the spectacular Pembina Gorge. This is truly a very beautiful, unique area of rough, forested terrain. Another spectacular area of equal beauty is in south eastern ND where the pipeline crosses the Sheyenne River between the Little Yellowstone Park and Fort Ransom State Park, cutting through the heart of this precious, wooded valley. The route starts paralleling the Sheyenne River 35 miles north of Valley City, where it comes with-in 2 or 3 miles of Lake Ashtabula at Sibley, ND.

Do oil pipelines ever leak? While in the event it should, consider where the natural drainage goes! The Sheyenne River and Lake Ashtabula are expected to be an important source of water for all the cities in the Red River Valley some day. Legislation to this effect was passed in the 2007 session.

Yes I know construction of the pipeline had to clear an Environmental Impact Study and that it will be buried 4 feet in the ground. Still a pathway has to be grubbed out through these special scenic areas of which we have so few. And vehicle access must be maintained indefinitely. Think of trying to minimize environmental damage by containing a leak in the rough, forested terrain of the areas mentioned.

With our states vast areas of open agricultural land, why would this proposed route even be considered. The route was moved once to avoid the Fordville Aquifer. Why wouldn't the Sheyenne River be exposed to the same perils? The state has several highways running north and south through it. Would it be to simple to use the right of way already established for them. Sure would provide good access for maintenance and also containment of a possible leak. Yes, again we all can come up with reasons it could not be done. The old adage "where there's a will, there's a way" could prevail if the Public Service Commission is willing to stand up and serve the public as they are expected too. The PSC will be holding hearings before considering a route permit. Hearings are July 23 in Valley City and July 24 in Park River.

I encourage all interested to view the proposed route on the Keystone Web site: www.transcanada.com/keystone/ and to voice your opinion to the PSC, soon.

Again, it is a very beneficial project that should be supported, but it is something that will be with us indefinitely, lets be sure it is done judiciously.

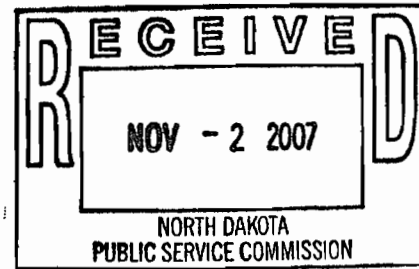
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To: Public Service Commissioners:
Susan Wefald
Tony Clark
Kevin Cramer



Copies to: Todd Kranda
Gary Leistico
Dean Cowling

RE: *TransCanada Keystone Pipeline.*

We know that we have written to you before on our concerns about this Oil Pipeline. But didn't know if you are aware that (Keystone) now has plans to use a thinner metal for some of the pipe. Mostly in the rural areas, which doesn't make any sense considering that there is less of a chance of noticing a leak / spill or another risk because it is less populated.

Also it has been brought up several times to consider changing the route to follow a highway which is already state or federally owned. The suggestion was always turned down saying they can't because of the construction danger and people are there. Well on a drive down US Hwy 2 towards Devils Lake; construction is happening right now for a water pipeline along Hwy 2 some places right on the shoulder of the ditch other places further in the ditch then others are in the field. Also to avoid some swamps they plan on crossing the Hwy. A zigzag effect. Why can this happen for a water line but not for an oil pipeline. Is it because it isn't as cost effective for Keystone?

It shouldn't matter what it will cost them. They will just pass it on to the consumers. They will profit at the cost of our state and country.

They should ask permission of where they could put the pipeline line not where they want to put it.

It has been stated several times that this pipeline is just the start of many lines in the same corridor. Question needs to be asked (Why can a foreign company come in and dictate what is for their best interest and what they want?)

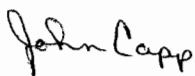
Keystone claims they will hire people from the area to work on this, when they will be contracting work done themselves. You can not find workers to do farm labor how will they find laborers to put in a pipeline? Nowhere.

It is the duty of the PSC to find the best route if you really believe we need this toxic oil. Once there is a leak there goes our water supply, (Aquifers, Lakes, Streams, Rivers, and our private wells)

It is your duty to protect us, our beautiful state & country not a private, for profit foreign company that is not going to be a common carrier.

Are they going to be required to put up some sort of large bond , if you decide to let them into our state!

There are better routes that are further away from the Fordville Aquifer and also Lake Ashtabula why not make keystone take those routes?



*John Capp
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Rafferty, Tom D.

From: Wefald, Susan E.
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 4:20 PM
To: 'Mark Erickson'
Cc: Rafferty, Tom D.
Subject: RE: TransCanada Keystone Pipeline

Mark – thanks for your thoughtful comments. Your letter will be placed in our public input file on this case.
Sincerely, Commissioner Susan Wefald
North Dakota Public Service Commission

From: Mark Erickson [mailto:mwerickson58@msn.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 1:11 PM
To: Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin
Subject: TransCanada Keystone Pipeline

To: Susan Wefald; Tony Clark; Kevin
Cramer;

10/24/07

I have been following the story on the TransCanada Keystone Pipeline. I have a strong opinion against this as our ranch is downstream from the proposed pipeline route. I know that I am just one person. But, I keep myself abreast on foreign policy and in particular issues concerning Canada. I think, before you act and sign an agreement, you need to pay attention to what is *really* happening in Canada.

As someone who has traveled extensively in Canada, I can tell you that Canada is not at all friendly to Americans. I have many friends in the Canadian tourism industry and have heard and watched the deterioration of relationships. I am not saying that Americans treat Canadians any better as I have heard similar stories from my Canadian friends. But I do think it needs to be stated that Canada is not the friendly country it is perceived to be. It seems our foreign policy and beef import restrictions have turned Canadians against us.

Canadians have been flooding out U.S. farmers at the northern border and complain about a minimal amount of water pumped from Devils Lake. So, how is it that a business from this same country now expects to come to North Dakota and pump their sludge through our state endangering our water supply?

How is it that TransCanada Keystone Pipeline has a right to use eminent domain in North Dakota? If this is a result of NAFTA then I think our NAFTA policies need to be rethought. Would it be allowed in reverse? More importantly what foreign entity would be allowed to use eminent domain next? It is a question that needs to be asked. About a year ago we in North Dakota voted strongly against the use of eminent domain by private enterprise. Yet a private, foreign firm, wants to use eminent domain on North Dakota citizens to run a pipeline through our state. Doesn't this concern you?

My questions are many. What do the citizens of North Dakota have to gain? We most certainly have a lot to lose. Why doesn't TransCanada use the more direct route through Minnesota? What I'd really like to know is why wouldn't TransCanada build a refinery in Alberta and keep jobs up there? There has to be an answer to this. It seems that it is not an option and I want to know, why not? When the pipeline breaks and leaks we will have contamination to our water supply. Who then will fix the problem and who then will pay? This is of great concern to me and I ask one more question, "What are you thinking?"

Concerned Citizen,

Mark Erickson

Rafferty, Tom D.

From: Fahn, Patrick J.
Sent: Wednesday, October 17, 2007 8:34 AM
To: Rafferty, Tom D.
Subject: FW: Richard Starke

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From: Clark, Tony T.
Sent: Saturday, October 13, 2007 12:25 AM
To: Fahn, Patrick J.; Jeffcoat-Sacco, Illona
Subject: FW: Richard Starke

public input

From: Tim Van Hal [<mailto:tvh@ictc.com>]
Sent: Fri 10/12/2007 10:37 PM
To: Clark, Tony T.
Subject: Richard Starke

Mr Clark, I just recieved a copy of the email that Dick Starke sent you. The land in question has not been in his family, he just bought it last fall. The proposed pipeline will go within one mile of my house and I welcome it as something that we will benefit the people of North Dakota and the United States. Thanks. Tim

**Tim Van Hal
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October 8, 2007

North Dakota Public Service Commission
Attn: Susan Welfald
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Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Susan:

My name is Rita Moffett and I am writing to inquire about what are my husband (Homer) and my rights regarding the Trans-Canada Keystone Pipeline coming within less than 1/8 of a mile from our homestead that is surrounded by farmland that the pipeline route is marked.

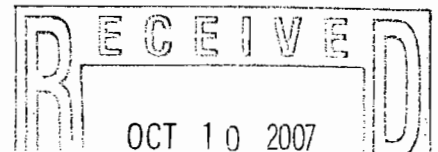
We live in Jackson Township in southeastern North Dakota. We actually live just south of the Dwayne and Valerie Hayen farm and Paul and Tammy Matthew's farm. I believe you are aware of the statement given them by the pipelines representatives.

The representatives were at our house and spoke to me first wanting me to sign an agreement document and offered us \$1,000 for our signatures. I told them that I would have to speak to my husband about the proposal. One of the representative told me that the pipeline was being generous for our situation; they had originally thought the offer was \$500.

I asked if we would get some documentation of fact that if any leakage or damage to our ground water or property if they would fix the problem. I was verbally assured that they are an honorable company and would do whatever was necessary to fix the problem. We were contacted by phone a couple of time after that, but did not sign any paperwork nor did we see any written assurance they would do whatever necessary to fix the leakage or damage if that occurred. What would we do if such an occurrence happened? We would probably never be able to sell our dwelling or the 4 1/2 acres it sits on.

We believe that the landowners are by far offered more than us, but our **main concern is about the future.** A crude oil leakage would take some time to show itself. Our property would more than likely be worthless.

Please shed some light on our rights just as a couple with a homestead surrounded by farmland with the proposed pipeline running next to it.



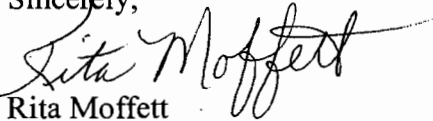
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Letter re Concerns re Pipeline on Private
Property
by Public Service Commission re R. Moffett

We are concerned and would like your advice as far as what rights we have and would the farmstead be a total loss if a leakage or any other damaged occurred from the closeness of the pipeline. We have lived on our property since 1976 and have worked hard to take care of it. Would we just be passed by and out of luck?

Sincerely,

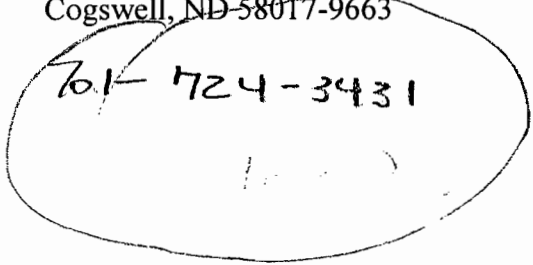


Homer

Rita Moffett

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Public Input File PU-06-421

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October 5, 2007

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ATTN: COMMISSIONERS SUSAN E. WEFALD
TONY CLARK
KEVIN CRAMER

RE: Starke Allegations of Perjury

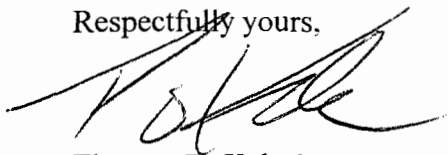
PRESIDENT WEFALD AND COMMISSIONERS CLARK AND CRAMER:

TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, L.P. (Keystone) has received copies of emails from Richard Starke submitted to the Commission after the close of hearings in case no. PU-06-421. These emails have been filed in the public comment file. In these emails Mr. Starke alleges that Keystone witnesses perjured themselves in testifying before the Commission.

Keystone takes these unsubstantiated allegations very seriously, and can not permit them to go unchallenged. Keystone assures the Commission that all of its witnesses testified truthfully in the hearings before the Commission.

Keystone requests that this response be placed in the public comment file of this case.

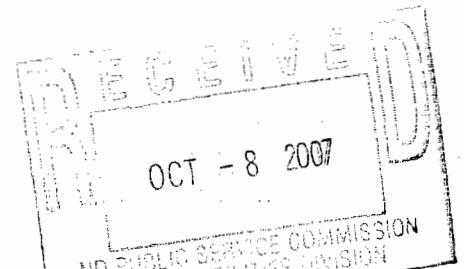
Respectfully yours,



Thomas D. Kelsch

TDK;dr

cc: ALJ Al Wahl
Nicholas Delaney



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Letter re Starke Allegations of Perjury &
Affidavit of Service
by Kelsch Kelsch Ruff & Kranda by Kranda

10/08/2007

CC: Comm Legal Illona, Pat ALJ

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

TRANSCANADA KEYSTONE PIPELINE, LP) CASE NO. PU-06-421
30-INCH CRUDE OIL PIPELINE/CAVALIER TO)
SARGENT COUNTIES SITING APPLICATION)

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA)
) ss. **AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE**
COUNTY OF MORTON)

DEBRA K. ROEHRICH being first duly sworn, on oath, deposes and says: That she is a citizen of the United States, over the age of eighteen and not a party to the above-entitled action.

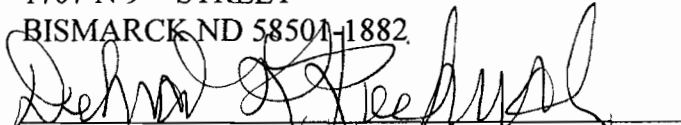
That on the 5 day of October, 2007, this affiant deposited in the United States Post Office at Mandan, North Dakota, a true and correct copy of the following document(s) in the above-captioned action:

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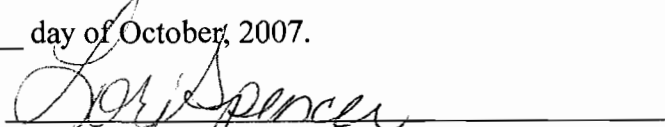
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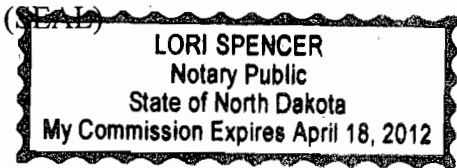
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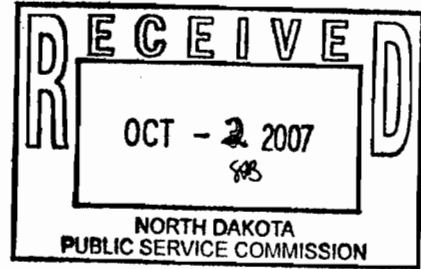
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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
1707 N 9TH STREET
BISMARCK ND 58501-1882


DEBRA K. ROEHRICH

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of October, 2007.


Notary Public, State of North Dakota





NDPSC
600 East Blvd. Ave.
Dept. 408Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Commissioners:

Enclosed is a map of Barnes County. The red line shows how little the Keystone Pipeline route needs to be changed to take it out of the Sheyenne River watershed. This does not represent the only route but only how much it needs to be moved to eliminate the possibility of a spill contaminating Lake Ashtabula and Valley City's water supply and to take it away from the scenic area in southern Barnes and Ransom counties. Please take this into consideration.

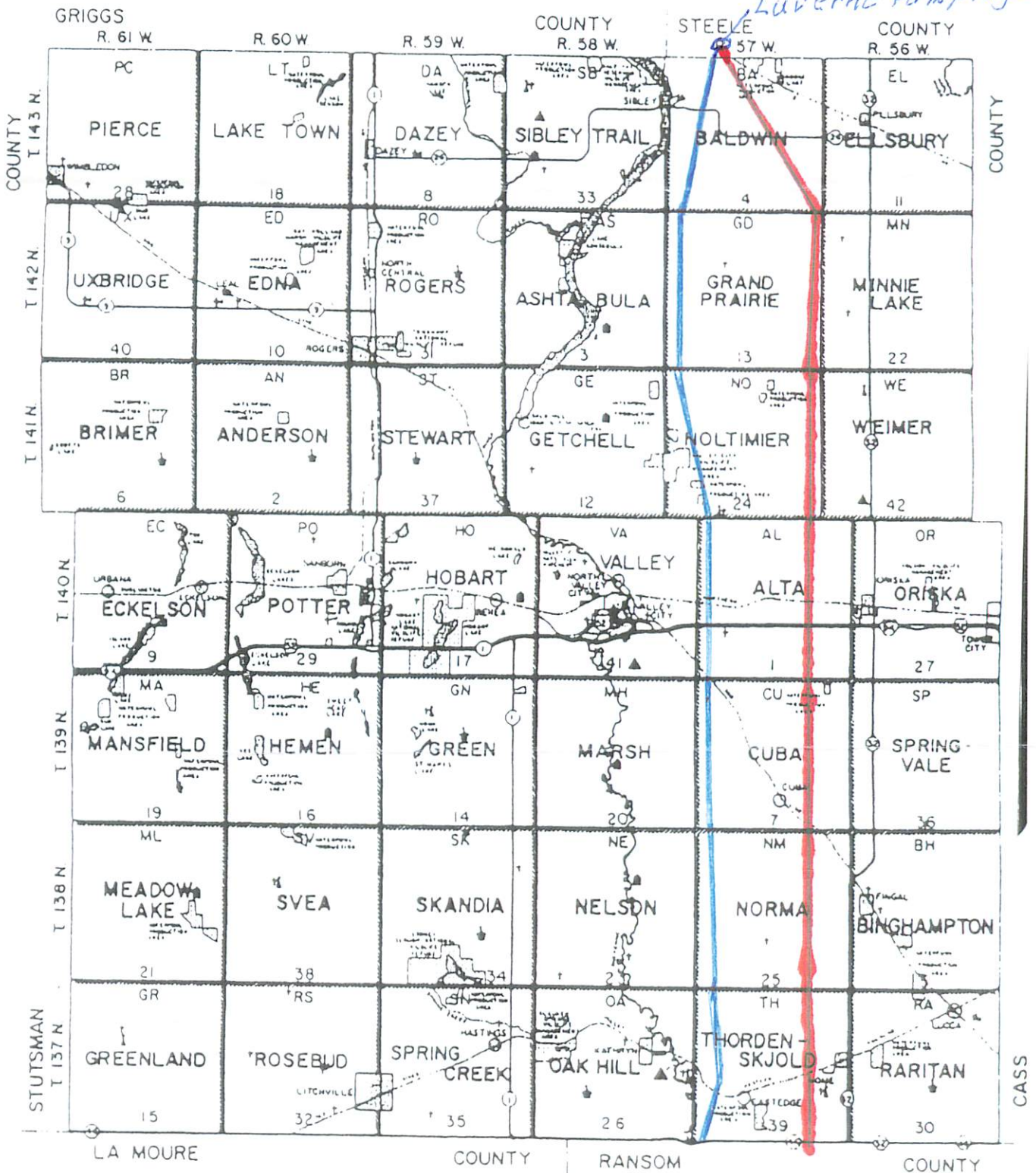
Respectfully,
Nyle-K. Burchill

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nyle-K. Burchill".

835 8th Ave. NW
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Blue - Proposed Route
 Red - Possible Route

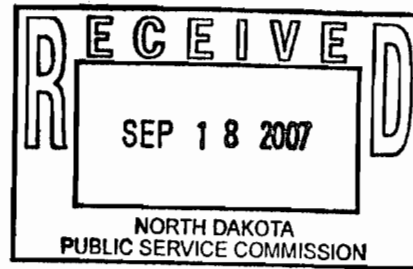
Luverne Pumping Station



Sept. 17th 2007

RE: *Keystone Pipeline*

Dear Public Service Commissioners:



We do not dispute the need for imported crude oil, but this Keystone Pipeline plan to extract oil from the Tar Sands is no solution.

With all the chemicals and toxic poisons in it and the global warming it will produce it is a very poor choice for our state and the whole country.

We have been told that we are not for progress We have 3 and 1/4 miles of power lines on our land. Two and 1/4 miles of telephone lines. One and 3/4 miles of water lines. One/ half mile of railroad. Now Keystone wants One and 3/4 miles of crude oil line down the middle of our most productive land.

Jim Horner the State Water Geologist said the 50 mile reroute further west is better.

As far as I can tell the draft EIS has about 3 sentences about the Fordville Aquifer. It does not state that if there is a breakout in the coulee North of Lankin it would take about 20 minutes to get to Hwy. 32. then to the Aquifer. As there is a man made legal drain beside Hwy. 32 that goes directly to the bottom of the Fordville Aquifer.

The draft says the pipeline will have minimum impact. How? When you dig up the ground and rip out trees to put in a 30" pipe?

We are just farmers that know our land and how it drains. We have our own wells that are shallow and I don't believe they are registered or that the officials know where the are. We also have a very high water table. Our

water is very important to us and should be very important to our state and its citizens.

At the meetings in Bismarck, Keystone Engineer stated that if someone falls into the pipeline with some heavy equipment and causes damage or a leak Keystone is liable, which I doubt very much . Our insurance company will not cover us on this pipeline. Will Keystone be required to put up some sort of bond to make them liable for certain problems with their line on some one else's property?

Why does Keystone a foreign country which isn't even a common carrier get to come into our state and choose their own route because they claim it is less expensive and then threaten landowners with condemnation.

We will never sign an easement because of the potential effects on the land and environment and the problems with this pipeline. I believe the other landowners who have not signed also will not.

This is not a solution to our energy problem.

*John Capp
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September 18, 2007

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Re: Proposed TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, Case No. PU-06-421

On September 18, 2007 the Commission received a letter from John Capp containing comments about the proposed Keystone pipeline. Mr. Capp is an intervenor in Case No. PU-06-421.

It is important to note that, because this is a formal case before the Commission, all written and verbal comments, correspondence, and other information submitted to the Commission concerning the formal case that are not presented as part of the formal evidentiary record on which the decision must be based, are placed in a public input file. If the information in the September 18, 2007 letter was intended to be part of the formal record, it must be filed according to procedures established for presenting evidence in a formal proceeding. When the intervenor is represented by counsel, the submission must be through intervenor's counsel.

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Sincerely,

Tom Rafferty, Consumer Affairs Specialist

Anderson, Lori D.

From: arlene brandt [arlenebrandt@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 7:59 PM
To: Anderson, Lori D.; lyn@drcinfo.com
Subject: Keystone pipeline

Public Service Commission:

This letter is in regard to the Keystone oil pipeline that is scheduled to cross eastern North Dakota next year.

I own a 460 acre farm in Pembina County, with about 200 acres of crop land and 260 acres of woodland. The pipeline would cross my best cropland for three fourths mile and will be near my well which is my sole water supply.

I would like to register my objection to the proposed route.

My farm is my grandfather's homestead, and has been owned by my family since 1885. We plan to keep it in the family for a long time to come.

If the Public Service Commission grants approval for the Canadian pipeline to cross North Dakota at the planned location it will cause considerable disruption.

The route is largely through private land and asks for a 99 year easement. I expect that more pipelines would be put in, over, or near the Keystone pipe in years to come, using this existing easement.

There must be other routes across the state, that would be less damaging to private lands.

Thank you for considering my objection to the proposed route.

Sincerely,

Ted Freeman

Can you find the hidden words? Take a break and play Seekadoo! [Play now!](#)

Rafferty, Tom D.

From: Rafferty, Tom D.
Sent: Thursday, September 20, 2007 2:27 PM
To: 'arlenebrandt@msn.com'
Subject: RE: Keystone pipeline
Attachments: ParticipatingInACase.pdf

Dear Mr. Freeman,

Thank you for submitting comments to the Public Service Commission regarding the proposed pipeline that TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP has applied for permission to build in eastern North Dakota. We appreciate your interest in this case and we will place your comments in the public input file.

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 7:59 PM
To: Anderson, Lori D.; lyn@drcinfo.com
Subject: Keystone pipeline

Public Service Commission:

Sept 12, 2007

Dear Public Service Commission,

I am a farmer from Walsh County near Sankin, N.D. The purpose of my writing deals with concern about the Keystone oil pipeline route. I am not hostile toward as am I opposed to the pipeline. They are at present wanting to cross a quarter section of my land ($\frac{1}{2}$ mile) which I have not signed an easement for giving them the right of way and don't know if I will. Myself and other people share a great deal of concern over this proposed pipeline and justly so. I will briefly try to explain our feelings.

All the land slopes to the east here quite rapidly and all drainage runs to the east. Most all of the cities and towns now get their water source from the aquifers, including Park River. The water also goes to the

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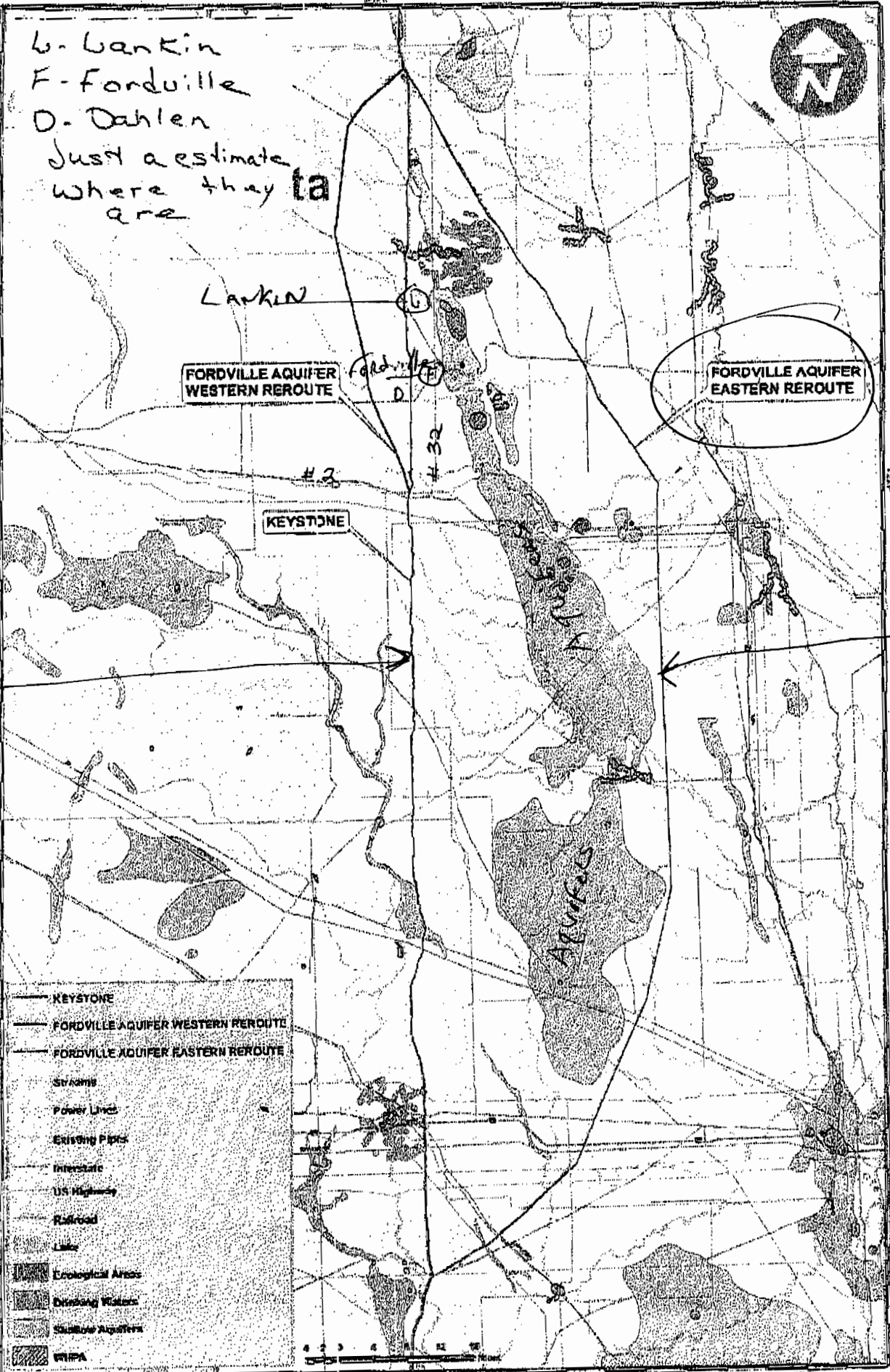
government anti-Ballistic missile radar site near Mountain, N.D. which is about 30 miles north. Almost all the farms are hooked to the rural water systems because a lot of farms have no water or poor water. These rural water systems such as Tri-County water, Walsh water, etc. also draw their water from these aquifers. The present proposed route of the pipeline, should there be a break or leak, which Keystone doesn't deny there will be, will run down hill directly into the aquifer which are not far from the oil pipeline. The soil over the aquifer is sandy and gravelly and the oil will go right into the water supply. For all the towns and cities, farmers and livestock ranches depending on this water supply, it would be a disaster and a major catastrophe. Where are they supposed to get their water should this happen?

The enclosed map from Keystone Pipeline shows they have other routes.

The Fordville aquifer eastern route would be a far better route to protect the water supply. Should there be a leak or break, the oil would run away from the aquifers, not toward them.

You as the Public Service Commission are to represent the interests of the public and take care of the people. Your Commission best give this route some serious thought before granting a permit to Keystone. Should this water supply get contaminated and the cities, towns, and rural water systems lose their water supply, northeastern North Dakota will be in a world of hurt and the Public Service Commission will not be looked upon too highly. But I do hear you are studying the situation which is great.

Sincerely,
Dennis R. Bina



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September 17, 2007

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Re: Proposed TransCanada Keystone Pipeline (case 06-421)

Dear Mr. Bina,

Thank you for submitting comments to the Public Service Commission regarding the proposed pipeline that TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP has applied for permission to build in eastern North Dakota.

We appreciate your interest in this case and we will place your comments in the public input file. I have also given the commissioners a copy of your letter.

It is important to note that because this is a formal case before the Commission, both written and verbal comments submitted to the Commission, are not part of the formal evidentiary record on which the decision must be based. However, the comments that are not part of the formal record may form the basis for investigation and testimony that becomes part of the formal record. Comments become part of the formal record when they are made or submitted at a formal or technical hearing, where they must be made under oath and subject to cross-examination.

A more complete explanation of formal and informal comments is explained in the brochure that is included with this letter. If you need more information, please contact our office or visit our website.

Sincerely,

Tom Rafferty
Consumer Affairs and Public Outreach Specialist
328-4078

Anderson, Lori D.

From: Richard Starke [starkef4@srt.com]
Sent: Friday, September 14, 2007 10:55 AM
To: Anderson, Lori D.
Subject: Re: Link to Audio Files for Hearings Conducted in Case PU-06-421 on September 5 & 6, 2007

Lori, I clicked on the blue address and NOTHING happened. Last night at the Lisbon meeting the court reporter said he could send me a copy printout in therr days. Why can't you? four pages per sheet for \$25.00

----- Original Message -----

From: Anderson, Lori D.
To: starkef4@srt.com
Sent: Monday, September 10, 2007 1:22 PM
Subject: Link to Audio Files for Hearings Conducted in Case PU-06-421 on September 5 & 6, 2007

Mr. Starke—

The audio files of the TransCanada Keystone Pipeline hearing can be found on our website on the following page. You will need to scroll down the page until you reach Case No. PU-06-421. The two hearing audio files are the last items in the bulleted list. These audio files are very large and will take some time to load to your computer.

<http://www.psc.state.nd.us/jurisdiction/siting-notices.html>

Sincerely,

Lori Anderson

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PSC Email re Computer Link to Audio Files
for Hearings & Reply
by Public Service Commission by L. Anderson & R. Starke
09/10/2007 CC: Comm Legal Illona, Pat ALJ .

Rafferty, Tom D.

From: Rafferty, Tom D.
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2007 11:12 AM
To: 'tellings@polarcomm.com'
Subject: RE: Keystone Pipeline affects on local water wells

Dear Mr. Ellingson,

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed Keystone Pipeline.

I want to let you know that your comments have been given to the commissioners and will be placed in the public input file in this case.

It is important to note that because this is a formal case before the Commission, both written and verbal comments submitted to the Commission, are not part of the formal evidentiary record on which the decision must be based. However, the comments that are not part of the formal record may form the basis for investigation and testimony that becomes part of the formal record. Comments become part of the formal record when they are made or submitted at a formal or technical hearing, where they must be made under oath and subject to cross-examination.

If you need more information about this case, please contact me or anyone else at the Public Service Commission and we can help you.

Sincerely,

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From: Terry Ellingson [mailto:tellings@polarcomm.com]
Sent: Monday, September 10, 2007 11:23 PM
To: Fahn, Patrick J.
Subject: Keystone Pipeline affects on local water wells

Mr. Fahn,

I am a landowner that is opposing the Keystone pipeline due to the fact that if it leaks it will directly affect my livelihood by contaminating my water wells that provide water for my farm and my Registered Simmental beef cattle herd. Our well is only 15 feet deep, a very shallow well but it is a very productive well, providing enough water for 100 beef cows and 100 calves during the winter and also providing water for our homes. We only live one half mile from the proposed pipeline, a leak would quickly contaminate our local water supply because it is so shallow. Our well probably does not show up on any data bases because it has been here since my father bought the farm in the early 50's. How much earlier it was here I am not sure. My mother has a house on the farm and also my wife and I. Please consider the possibility that local farmers will be severely impacted should this pipeline be placed in their proposed route. My farm site is one half mile south of Dahlen, ND., with the pipeline running just east of County Road 14.

Thanks for your consideration.

Terry Ellingson
5065 125th Ave NE
Dahlen, ND 58224

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Email re Effect on Local Water Wells & PSC
Reply
by Public Service Commission by T. Ellingson & Rafferty
09/10/2007 CC: Comm Legal Illona, Pat ALJ

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Rafferty, Tom D.

From: Bauske, Shelly A.
Sent: Thursday, September 06, 2007 10:15 AM
To: Rafferty, Tom D.
Subject: FW: Keystone Pipeline route

From: Duane E. Henricks [mailto:duaneh@daktel.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 06, 2007 10:15 AM
To: -Info-Public Service Commission
Subject: Keystone Pipeline route

ND Public Service Commission
Bismarck, ND

Sirs:
The proposed route of the Keystone Pipeline through the National Scenic Byway in the Sheyenne River Valley near Fort Ransom is unacceptable to everyone in the region.

Clearcutting the heavily forested area near Fort Ransom is an outrageous proposal that would not only harm the wildlife in the area but would forever spoil the natural beauty of the area. Would it possibly jeopardize the National Scenic Byway designation? There is a State Park in this area as well.

Sincerely yours

Duane E. Henricks
285 College St. SW
Valley City, ND 58072

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Email re Concerns re Route Near Nat'l Scenic
Byway/Ft. Ransom
by Public Service Commission by Dale Henricks

09/06/2007

CC: Comm Legal Illona, Pat ALJ