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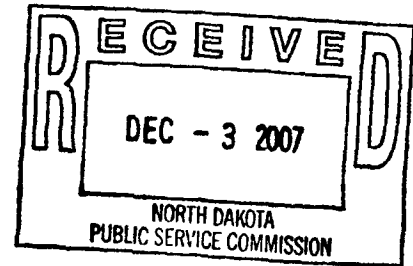
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November 30, 2007



MS ILLONA A JEFFCOAT-SACCO  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY  
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600 EAST BOULEVARD, DEPT 408  
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Re: TransCanada - Keystone Pipeline Project  
Case No: PU-06-421  
OAH File No. 20070181  
Our File No. 11815

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

This letter is to request copies of any documents that have been received by the Public Service Commission and placed into the Public Input File regarding the Keystone Pipeline Project since October 31, 2007 through the hearings that took place November 27 and 28, 2007.

I am also enclosing an Affidavit of Service which indicates that this request letter is being provided to Attorney Erik Johnson who is legal counsel for the City of Fargo, Attorney Jana Linderman who is legal counsel of record for the Intervenor of Dakota Resource Council et al as well as to Intervenor John and Janie Capp.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Thomas D. Kelsch or me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Todd D. Kranda".

Todd D. Kranda

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Enc

c: TransCanada Keystone



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 )

LORI SPENCER 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 30 day of November, 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:


November 30, 2007 request letter for Documents from the Public Input File since October 31, 2007 through the hearings that took place November 27 and 28, 2007

That a copy of the above document(s) was securely enclosed in an envelope with postage duly prepaid, and addressed as follows:

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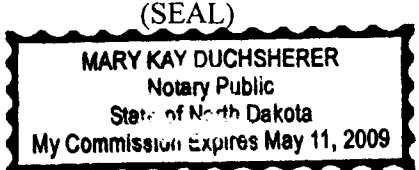
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of November, 2007.

  
Notary Public, State of North Dakota



**Fahn, Patrick J.**

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**From:** Cramer, Kevin  
**Sent:** Monday, December 10, 2007 10:44 AM  
**To:** Fahn, Patrick J.  
**Subject:** FW: Thanks for coming to the Kathryn/Fort Ransom area

For public input file

**Kevin Cramer, Commissioner**  
**ND Public Service Commission**  
**(701) 328-4279**  
<http://www.psc.state.nd.us/commission/cramer.html>

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**From:** Kory Peterson [mailto:kc0oet@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 05, 2007 9:20 AM  
**To:** Cramer, Kevin  
**Subject:** Thanks for coming to the Kathryn/Fort Ransom area

Mr. Cramer;

I want to thank you for taking the time to come to the Kathryn/Fort Ransom area and see where the proposed pipeline is expected to go.

In that picture that was taken of you in the Fargo Forum, my folk's land starts in the background where that lone tree stands and goes back as far as you can see.

That area has always been considered scenic by everyone who comes through here. You also noticed the sign that said "Scenic Byway". There is a lot of traffic on the weekends in the summer and fall because of this.

When this pipeline was first presented to us, it was about 5 miles further east of that location. It crossed some land we had there too but it was cropland. Nobody feels 100% comfortable with a pipeline going under their property but that would have been a lot better then slicing the line through the valley.

I would like to see Keystone consider moving the pipeline back to its original location in northern Ransom county if the line is going to be approved.

I am not against the pipeline.. just the location of it crossing the Sheyenne. There is never a perfect location to cross a valley but I would think that an area designed a "Scenic Byway" is the least perfect.

Thank you for your time.

Kory Peterson  
Horace, ND  
Ham Radio callsign KCØOET

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, December 10, 2007 9:21 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: DOE letter - Public Input File  
**Attachments:** MPT453.JPG

Public input file.

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 08, 2007 6:07 AM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin  
**Cc:** mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com  
**Subject:** DOE letter

This "new " petroleum is what we pave our roads with and apply to roofs. It gives off THREE times the CO2 of legitimate crude thus hastening the loss of up to 60 % of our Amazon rain forest and their species by 2030 and YOU APPROVE of this debacle?? We are inventing new automobiles that run on HYDROGEN plus gasoline and the exhaust is **WATER!!!!!!!!** **WHAT WILL YOU SAY OF YOUR ACTIONS WHEN FARGO LOSES ITS WATER SUPPLY? IT HAS A 20 HOUR EMERGENCY SUPPLY.** Forests the size of FLORIDA will be destroyed. Is this ENVIRONMENTAL SUICIDE??



**Department of Energy**  
Washington, DC 20585

November 28, 2007

Major Richard Starke, Sr.  
5 Elm Street  
Burlington, ND 58722

Dear Major Starke:

This correspondence is in response to your letter of September 10, 2007, to President Bush in which you expressed your opposition to the proposed TransCanada Keystone Pipeline LLC (Keystone) project. Your letter was forwarded to the Department of Energy's Office of Oil and Natural Gas for response.

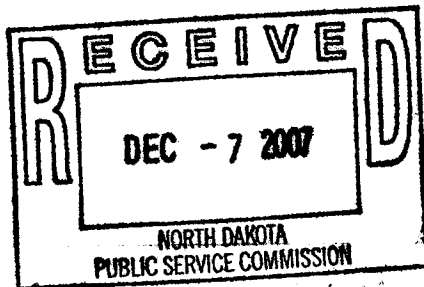
We appreciate your views on this issue. However, the increase in North American demand for petroleum suggests that energy policies be adopted that will secure long-term access to new petroleum supplies in a safe and environmentally sound manner.

The United States Department of State requested the Department of Energy (DOE) concurrence on The Department of States issuance of a Presidential Permit for the Keystone project. The Presidential Permit would authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of pipeline facilities at Cavalier County, North Dakota, for the transport of crude oil across the international boundary between the United States and Canada.

Pursuant to Executive Order 13337, the DOE has reviewed the Keystone application. In addition, DOE is participating as a cooperating agency for the preparation of the TransCanada Keystone Pipeline Environmental Impact Statement. Since it was determined that issuance of the permit would serve the national interest, the Department of State proposes to issue the Presidential Permit to Keystone. The DOI expects to have no objection to the issuance of the Presidential Permit for the TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, pending completion of the Environmental Impact Statement.

In April 2007, the U.S. Department of Transportation Pipeline and Hazardous Safety Administration granted a special permit that allows Keystone to design, construct and operate the pipeline at no more than 80 per cent of the steel pipe's specified minimum yield strength in certain areas. Keystone's application for the special permit included measures Keystone would implement beyond those required by regulations to ensure pipeline safety and to meet stringent environmental regulations.





Duane Hagen  
9164 119th Ave SE  
Coquille, ND 58017

December 14, 2007

Commissioners Wefalde, Cramer & Clark.

RE: Keystone Pipeline

We were called on Saturday, December 1 by Keystone land agent, Kris Gibson. He told us that Keystone would not consider moving the pipe to the quarter line and that if we would not sign that we would be under eminent domain.

There are only six farmsteads along this county road - 119th Ave SE in Jackson Twp. and Keystone hits 3 of them. We are asking them to move as close as possible to the quarter line. These people are Paul Matthews, Homer, Moffett and Duane Hagen. We live in almost a straight line from each other and within one mile. I do not think that this is too much for them to do for 3 families.

Duane & Colica Hagen  
Coquille, ND 58017

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, December 03, 2007 9:08 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Premature AGAIN - Public input

Public input please.

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 29, 2007 10:47 AM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Subject:** Premature AGAIN

Commissioner Wefald, another mistaken knee-jerk on my part. I understand that there is just so much time for this case considering your heavy workload. I have had several calls urging me to wait and see what turns out, so I have retracted my resignation from the DRC and will appeal their decision. The members at the hearing all support me. My 79 year old companion was exhausted on Tuesday and wanted to go home so I am sorry that I missed the last day's proceedings. THANK YOU for your patience and understanding, Richard Starke. Please share these documents before sending to the public file.

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Monday, December 03, 2007 8:59 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Bemidji Pioneer: Pipeline Tragedy

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 01, 2007 6:15 AM  
**To:** Ramona Klein; -Info-Governor's Office; George Bush  
**Cc:** SENATOR@conrad.senate.gov; Dorgan, Senator (Dorgan); REP.Earl.Pomeroy@mail.house.gov; mike jacobs; MVonpinnon@forumcomm.com; ed bismarck; dave walaker; Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin; Mike Ferguson; Tollefson, Ben C.; EE "Smokey" Wright; Thomas Scherer; Jim Jones  
**Subject:** Re: Bemidji Pioneer: Pipeline Tragedy

Ramona, I don't want ANYTHING TO DO WITH PIPELINES of any kind!!! Enbridge has 5 huge tanks 1/2 mile east of Minot. They should be moved at least 25 miles from any town and mandated BUILT WITH stainless steel. ALL lines are made of "plain carbon steel" it's the technical word to describe it, which is simply IRON ALLOYED WITH CARBON and it is guaranteed to rust through.!!! It is just a matter of when. Pressures should be REDUCED IN OLDER PIPE. The toxic and other hazardous compounds are kept SECRET from the public. Bio fuels carry NO heavy metals because there ARE NONE in corn, soybeans or whatever biomass is the feed stock. Our PSC should DENY Keystone's application on future PIPELINES that are GUARANTEED TO FAIL. The unknown time is WHEN. All cheap pipelines should be CLOSED AND DUG UP. No jobs are worth lives. THERE should be a NATIONAL LAW PROHIBITING THE USE OF ANY METAL OTHER THAN STAINLESS STEEL. The practice of using so-called "pigs" to scrape the RUST from the inside of the pipes is FUTILE and OUTMODED since the weakened walls are now the site of FUTURE BREAKS, EXPLOSIONS, AND FIRES. Oil companies are NOTORIOUSLY CALLOUS OF HUMAN LIFE. IT IS TIME TO END THE DANGER!!! CALL OR WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMEN AND DEMAND IMMEDIATE LEGISLATION. ELECTIONS ARE COMING SOON, SO NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT. RICHARD STARKE BSIE. PLEASE SPREAD THE TRUTH!!!

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

**From:** Ramona Klein  
**To:** Dick Starke  
**Sent:** Friday, November 30, 2007 10:19 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: Bemidji Pioneer: Pipeline Tragedy

Good Morning,

The following article and Editorial comes to you from the November 30, 2007, Bemidji Pioneer.

If it will be determined that the leaking fumes were ignited by a running nearby pickup truck that caused this deadly explosive fire, perhaps this is something that could be worked into some type of post hearing brief.

I mean to point out, that an undetected pinhole leak of odorless, colorless fumes may occupy a substantial area; how many times a day during the cropping season will the pipeline be crossed by heavy agricultural equipment (and things like, sparks from the cultivator shovels against rocks) much less running pickups and trucks?

# Pipeline officials seek cause of explosion that killed two workers

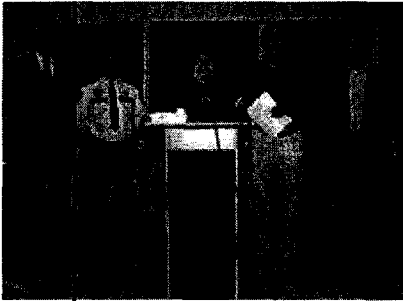
## Molly Miron Bemidji Pioneer

Published Friday, November 30, 2007

CLEARBROOK — The exact cause of the Enbridge Energy oil pipeline explosion Wednesday is unknown. But company officials have a theory.

"There was no welding going on at the time," said Richard Bird, Enbridge executive vice president for liquids pipelines. "The most likely source of ignition were the vehicles."

Bird, Enbridge Vice President for Operations Leon Zupan and company CEO Pat Daniel held a press conference Thursday morning at the old Clearbrook High School to discuss the incident.



During a Thursday morning press conference, Jeanine Brand, Clearwater County attorney and public information officer for the emergency management team, describes response efforts to the explosion and fire Wednesday afternoon at a section of Enbridge Energy pipeline near Clearbrook. From left behind her are Enbridge CEO Pat Daniel, Clearwater County Sheriff Mike Erickson, Enbridge Executive Vice President for Liquids Pipelines Richard Bird and Enbridge Vice President for Operations Leon Zupan. Pioneer Photo/Molly Miron

Zupan said the two workers who died as a result of the explosion and subsequent fire were seated in a pickup truck about 20 feet away from the pipeline excavation when the accident occurred. The company officials said the victims were from Superior, Wis. They expressed sympathy for the victims' families and said their thoughts and prayers are with them. They did not release the victims' names. However, family members said the victims are David Mussatti, 27, and Steve Arnovich, 35. Mussatti was engaged to be married, and Arnovich leaves a wife, Candy, and daughter, Aili, who will turn 5 on Saturday.

Bird said Enbridge has had a presence in the Clearbrook area for 50 years.

"We are greatly saddened by the events of the last 24 hours," he said.

He added that company officials have been in close contact with the victims' families and will continue to offer support.

Others unhurt

Zupan said 17 other workers at the site of the explosion who were farther from the pipeline and fire escaped without injury. Five pickups and a Trackhoe were destroyed.

He said the workers were replacing a small section of pipeline that developed a "pinhole leak" Nov. 13 with new pressure-tested pipe. The site is about one mile southeast of Clearbrook on Clearwater County Road 3 and about three miles from Enbridge's Clearbrook pumping station. The Enbridge employees started the repair Wednesday morning and were scheduled to complete the job Wednesday afternoon.

About 3:45 p.m. Wednesday, when the oil flow was reactivated, apparently vapor caused the heavy crude to spray into the air and atomize, Bird said.

The oil-and-air mixture ignited.

"This would not normally be a dangerous operation," Zupan said.

"I live just a little over a mile from it," said Clearwater County Clerk Liisa Amundson, adding that from a distance she feared for her own home. "I saw the flames when I went home last night. They were high — three times higher than the trees."

Emergency response


The Clearwater County Sheriff's Department received the emergency call at 3:51 p.m. and immediately responded, said Jeanine Brand, Clearwater County attorney and public information officer for the emergency management team.


Other responders included the Clearbrook, Gonvick, Bagley and White Earth police departments, Minnesota State Patrol, Clearwater Ambulance and Clearbrook, Gonvick, Bagley, Shevlin and Ponemah fire departments and Red

Cross. In all, Brand said, about 50 people helped with the emergency, and she stayed on site for about seven hours Wednesday.


"We just trained a month ago for this at the pumping station, so everybody knew who to call and where to go," Clearwater County Sheriff Mike Erickson said Thursday. "I had deputies on the scene all night."


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They'll be there all day today."

Clearbrook Mayor Michael Gibeau praised the emergency preparedness of both the local response teams and Enbridge officials.

"My hat's off to Enbridge being ready for this situation," Gibeau said. "They've done a good job. They had the road closed within 15 minutes."

He said Clearbrook has always supported Enbridge, which brings jobs and community donations to the area.

Erickson said the fire was extinguished and the site foamed as a precaution Thursday morning.

Residents of the 10 households within a one-mile radius of the fire were also evacuated. Enbridge officials said they hadn't given the all clear for the people to return to the neighborhood. Clearwater County Road 3 remained closed Thursday. The concern was the thick smoke and soot that could cause breathing problems, they said.

"Most of them have at least checked their property," said Erickson. "There was no visible damage."

The Enbridge officials said they didn't know as of Thursday how much oil had been lost, most of it from the fire. However, Doug Bellefeuille, a Minnesota Pollution Control agent from Detroit Lakes, said some crude oil remained in the excavation and vacuum trucks were sucking it up. He said some oil also trailed into a wetland southeast of the site, so that soil will be excavated. Because the ground is frozen, the oil didn't soak into the soil. Later Thursday, Enbridge officials said around 325 barrels had been spilled.

Zupan said four pipelines run through the accident site. He said Line 2, carrying 460,000 barrels of light crude per day, restarted flow at 3:30 a.m. Thursday. Line 1, which transports light crude and natural gas, carries 220,000 barrels per day and restarted at 4:15 a.m. Line 4 carries 706,000 barrels of crude oil per day and restarted at 12:20 p.m. Thursday.

Line 3 was the site of the explosion. Zupan said it should be repaired and resume flow in two or three days.

Supply lines

According to the Enbridge Web site, [www.enbridge.com](http://www.enbridge.com), the company operates in Canada and the United States, the world's longest pipeline system transporting crude oil and natural gas. Bird said the local pipeline transports products from western Canada to refineries in the Chicago area.

As for the national impact of the accident and the immediate jump of more than \$4 in crude oil prices, Bird said that response was unwarranted.

"I believe that is likely an overreaction in relation to the amount of time these lines will be out of service," he said.

He said Enbridge has reserve capacity on both Lines 3 and 4, as do the refineries in the Chicago hub, owned by Exxon Mobil, BP and Citgo, and the Murphy Refinery in Superior.

"Both our system and the refineries that could be impacted have a significant amount of crude in tankage," Bird said. "We don't expect this (accident) to have a significant impact on the supply of crude oil and the availability of refined product."

Enbridge Energy Partners is based in Houston, Texas. Enbridge Inc, based in Calgary, Alberta, holds an ownership interest in Enbridge Energy Partners through U.S. subsidiary Enbridge Energy Co.

## **Pioneer Editorial: What can we do to prevent tragedy again?**

**Bemidji Pioneer Editorial Board Bemidji Pioneer**

Published Friday, November 30, 2007

Our deepest condolences reach out to the families of the two Superior, Wis., workers who lost their lives Wednesday in the explosion and fire of the pipeline south of Clearbrook, and also to their co-workers and colleagues at Enbridge Energy. Such a loss of life is tragic at any time, but will be made even more keen to all who knew them this holiday season.

While it is much too early to determine what happened Wednesday, or to make recommendations on how to prevent such tragedies from occurring again, the incident should prompt a review of Minnesota's pipeline safety regulations and an investigation into the validity of work-place safety rules as applied to

today's changing workplace requirements.

According to reports received Thurs-day from the scene, it appears the two men died while in their truck parked about 20 feet away from the ditch where the 34-inch pipeline was being repaired. It's not known what triggered the explosion of crude oil, but speculation lies with perhaps a running truck engine providing the spark. An aerial photo shows several trucks destroyed in the fireball, all parked near the workplace ditch just off the paved county road.

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It is understandable that workers in our clime need to keep warm, and parking close to the work site helps, but perhaps that needs to be studied as part of updated workplace safety rules as applied to cold-whether work.

Safety records kept by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration show 34 "significant incidents" in Minnesota from 1997-06 involving hazardous liquid pipelines, such as crude oil, causing \$18.7 million in property damage. But what is truly significant is that only two injuries were reported and no fatalities — until now. The record for all pipeline systems during that time, including natural gas, is seven deaths and 14 injuries with \$35.6 million in property damage.

In the hazardous liquids records, Enbridge Energy and its predecessor, Lake Head Pipe Line Co., were responsible for 17 of the 34 significant incidents during the period, with five of them at Clearbrook and one at nearby Trail. The last one, however, was in 2004 at Clearbrook, listed as material failure with \$107,003 in property damage.

It is clear how important the pipelines are to our area in economic development and jobs, and also to the nation as a source of oil. That was clearly shown as the incident in Clearbrook rippled throughout the global marketplace, temporarily spiking oil prices as the four-line bundle that passes through Clearbrook provides 15 per-cent of the nation's imported crude oil.

We must do our best to see that line not be interrupted, but we also must do our utmost to ensure the safety of those who maintain our energy lifeline and those who live there. It is a lifeline very much similar to the transportation lifeline provided by the Interstate 35W bridge in the Twin Cities, and should garner as much scrutiny and oversight.

### Recent Comments

Thank God it wasn't a nuclear accident. Maybe we should make them dig up all that nasty old pipe and leave the state. LOL.

**rod k**

**Bemidji, MN**

**11/30/2007 6:45 AM**

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, December 03, 2007 9:01 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: oil leak time to theSheyenne River.  
**Attachments:** MPT17E.JPG; MPT17F.JPG; MPT180.JPG

Public Input from Richard Starke.

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 29, 2007 1:26 PM  
**To:** Wahl, Al; Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin  
**Cc:** -Info-Governor's Office; mike jacobs; mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com; ed bismarck; brian obenchain; Jim Jones; jodie white  
**Subject:** oil leak time to theSheyenne River.

Grounds for DENIAL of Keystone Ltd for experimental pipeline.



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Mr. Richard Starke  
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Dear Richard,

As per your request for information on the velocity of water in vegetated waterways during our phone conversation of November 16, 2007 here are some calculations of the velocity of the open channels on your property near Valley City.

The information you provided was that there is a 200-foot fall over approximately 3 miles from your property to the Sheyenne River. You were concerned about two reaches in the stream channel. The first was in the upper part where, after a good storm, the channel was about 30 feet wide on top with about 1 foot of depth in the middle. The vegetation in the channel is mowed so it isn't very tall (less than 4 inches). The second reach was closer to the Sheyenne. It isn't mowed and has some brush on the sides of the channel. In this area the water is about 10 feet wide on the top and the depth is about 2 feet in the center.

To calculate the flow velocity I have to make some assumptions. The first assumption is that this is uniform flow, which, to a hydrologist, means there are no sudden changes in grade and that the channel slope stays fairly uniform. Typically, for small channels like yours, uniform flow will be achieved within 2 to 3 hundred feet of a change in grade of the streambed.

The formula I used is the Manning formula:

$$V = \frac{1.49}{n} R^{2/3} s^{1/2}$$

Where:

- V - mean velocity in feet per second of water in the channel
- R - hydraulic radius. For open channels R is equal to the cross sectional area of the flow in square feet divided by the wetted perimeter in feet (A/P).
- s - slope of the water surface or gradient of flow in feet per feet. In uniform flow the bed slope is equal to the slope of the water surface.
- n - roughness coefficient. For mowed grass waterways n = 0.04, for taller grass or brush n can range from 0.04 to 0.08.

**Richard Starke**

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**From:** "Thomas Scherer" <Thomas.Scherer@ndsu.edu>  
**To:** "Richard Starke" <starkef4@srt.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 29, 2007 10:04 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Calculations

Richard,

The velocity values I calculated in my letter are the average velocity values in the channel. Research has shown that the surface velocity in the middle of the small streams is about 25 percent greater than the average velocity.

So if we assume the average velocity in the stream is around 3.5 feet per second then the surface velocity will be around 4.7 ft per second or 3.2 miles per hour. A floating mass on the surface would take just a little less than 1 hour to traverse the 3 miles. Of course, we are assuming there are no restrictions like backups from roads, etc. Hope this helps.

Dr Scherer, Thank you for the explanation. I am a 76 year old USAF retiree and a bit rusty and since I cannot find my slide rule perhaps you can calculate the time it would take a floating mass to travel the three miles assuming that the conditions were at STP. My farm stretches from the Soo line overpass to the Peak interchange east of Valley City, ND. along I-94. Thank you, Richard Starke Major USAF (ret'd). BSIED, BSIE.

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Extension Agricultural Engineer  
(701) 231-7239

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, December 03, 2007 9:00 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** Public Input

Tom – I think Janelle’s SD story should go into public input. Thanks.

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**From:** Janell Cole, Forum Capitol Bureau [mailto:forumcap@btinet.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 29, 2007 1:31 PM  
**To:** Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin; Wefald, Susan E.  
**Subject:** Re: I'll call you after lunch... are you in?

OK, thanks, Tony.  
I'll call in a few minutes.

Meanwhile, is anyone in ND talking about the kind of fund that SD landowners are seeking from Keystone?  
See SD story below.

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*Pipeline opponents want funds in case of spill, break  
But PUC-hired experts say money not needed  
Nov. 28, 2007  
The Daily Republic*

By BOB MERCER  
Republic Capitol Bureau

*PIERRE — Some landowners along the route of the proposed Keystone crude-oil pipeline through South Dakota want the state Public Utilities Commission to require parent company TransCanada to post a multi-million dollar bond. They want financial assurance that damages to water and soil will be cleaned up in case of a spill or break. But safety and environmental consultants hired by the PUC see the situation differently and aren't recommending a spill bond. Environmental bonds are standard for mining projects in South Dakota.*

*“Overall, I found the construction, mitigation and reclamation practices...to be adequate and generally comply with pipeline industry standards,” Tom Janssen, a senior analyst at the Minneapolis-based firm Merjent, said in his report. The consulting team’s recommendations do call for TransCanada to post bonds during the construction period — \$3 million in 2008 and \$12 million in 2009 — against possible damage from heavy equipment traveling over roads, highways, bridges and other infrastructure.*

*The PUC, which has jurisdiction over pipelines in South Dakota, opens a hearing Monday morning on TransCanada’s state permit. The hearing is scheduled to run at least a full week, and the PUC has set aside two weeks of time. Based on pre-filed testimony, the most widespread concern among members of the public is that the pipeline will leak or be damaged, allowing crude oil to contaminate drinking water, farm fields and wild areas which are environmentally sensitive.*

*“Bear in mind that there are those of us with everything to lose and nothing to gain,” Edward Miller of Salem, a Miner County landowner, wrote.*

*His testimony includes exhibits showing federal statistics on pipeline spills. Since 2002, there have been 446 reported crude oil spills of five barrels or more in the United States. Of those, 71 spills contaminated water and 79 involved high-consequence areas, such as places which have large populations or are environmentally sensitive.*

*They resulted in more than \$217 million in property damage, according to Miller. He said the spills together totaled nearly 280,000 barrels. For comparison, Miller said, that is a greater volume of oil than what was spilled in the Exxon Valdez disaster in Alaska.*

*The PUC’s consultants have suggested TransCanada work more closely with the state Department of Environment and Natural Resources to identify potentially vulnerable areas of surface water and sources of drinking water along the 220-mile route through 10 counties.*

*The consultants also are urging that more consideration be given to how drain tile systems in farm fields could carry spilled oil long distances.*

*TransCanada's oil spill response plan remains incomplete, according to the review, and must be filed at least 30 days before operation of the pipeline begins. Within one year of the start of operation, TransCanada also must file an integrity management plan for maintaining the quality of the pipeline.*

*The consultants recommended more training for state personnel who will be involved in responding to pipeline releases. Drain tiling is a concern for Ron Schaeffer of Menno, who farms in Hutchinson and Yankton counties. He wants to be sure he'll still be able to install a system in the future after the pipeline is laid. Schaeffer also called for TransCanada to post money in escrow to be used in the event of problems.*

*The South Dakota Association of Towns and Townships is taking no position in support or against the project but wants the PUC to assure that roads receive minimal damage during construction and are repaired and can be maintained afterward.*

*Kirk Madsen of Carpenter, who opposes the pipeline, said he's worried about the potential effect to his shallow well. Madsen said TransCanada originally planned to put a pump station on his property but moved it a half-mile south to a neighbor's property.*

*Chris Hastings of Britton wants the PUC to require TransCanada to put in U.S. banks \$1 million for every tract of land the pipeline crosses in South Dakota. Under Hastings' suggestion, TransCanada could get its original money once the amount on deposit had doubled through interest earnings.*

*Jerry Burger of Britton asked the PUC to require TransCanada to post a bond, similar to a gold mine, and to purchase an extensive insurance policy. He also suggested that a per-barrel fee be placed on oil shipped through the pipeline, with the money to accumulate and be used for the costs of cleaning up spills, environmental damage and other problems.*

*"People have worked for years to build these rural water systems, it has cost the federal and local governments and citizens vast sums of money to create this important infrastructure," John Sieh of rural Groton said in his pre-filed testimony.*

*The South Dakota Resources Coalition, through testimony filed by board member George Piper, has also requested the PUC to require a bond and to make TransCanada file a remediation plan in advance that would be used if a spill occurred. TransCanada is expected to spend about \$93 million in South Dakota during the construction period.*

*John Muelhausen, a senior analyst at Merjent, calculated the various social and economic effects from the project. He said the pipeline would affect approximately 2,169 acres of cropland, total, in Marshall, Day, Clark, Beadle, Kingsbury, Miner, Hanson, McCook, Hutchinson and Yankton counties.*

*"Compared to the 2.7 million acres of cropland in the counties crossed by the pipeline," Muelhausen said in his written testimony, "the acreage of cropland taken out of production would be insignificant."*

Clark, Tony T. wrote:

I'm in now. 328-4546. call anytime.

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

From: Janell Cole, Forum Capitol Bureau [mailto:[forumcap@btinet.net](mailto:forumcap@btinet.net)]

Sent: Thursday, November 29, 2007 12:04 PM

To: Wefald, Susan E.; Cramer, Kevin; Clark, Tony T.

Cc: Rafferty, Tom D.

Subject: I'll call you after lunch... are you in?

Commissioners,

I need to talk to you for comments for a story on how the Enbridge explosion at Clearbrook may hurt (or not) public perception of the Keystone line and whether it may affect your eventual decision on Keystone.

Assuming you will approve a route permit with restrictions/conditions, would the fatal explosion in Minn. inspire additional conditions.

The morning slipped away from me, talking to Keystone folks and DRC, so I hope you are in this afternoon and I will call each of you then.

If you won't be in or have a preferred time you'd like me to call, maybe you or Tom can let me know.

Thanks.

Janell

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, December 03, 2007 8:32 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Disaster is imminent!!! - Public Input  
**Attachments:** MPT27.JPG; MPT28.JPG

Public Input please.

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 01, 2007 6:40 AM  
**To:** Ramona Starke Klein; dave walaker  
**Cc:** dave walaker; Wefald, Susan E.  
**Subject:** Disaster is imminent!!!

Prevention is spelled DENY the pipeline. We GROW out own fuel...keep your TAR for roads.!!!

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Cramer, Kevin  
**Sent:** Friday, November 30, 2007 3:30 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW:

Public Input file

Kevin Cramer, Commissioner  
ND Public Service Commission  
(701) 328-4279  
<http://www.psc.state.nd.us/commission/cramer.html>

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

From: Scott Hennen [mailto:shennen@wday.com]  
Sent: Friday, November 30, 2007 2:55 PM  
To: Cramer, Kevin  
Subject: Fw:

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

From: "Pat Zavoral" <PZavoral@cityoffargo.com>  
To: <SHennen@wday.com>  
Sent: Friday, November 30, 2007 1:46 PM  
Subject: RE:

The old pipelines were placed there prior to the present administration's tenure--we would have questioned them if we had the opportunity. The pipelines that are in place are mostly 6 and 8 inch pipelines operated under lesser pressures. The Keystone pipeline is 30 inches in diameter, they have received a federal waiver to lessen the pipe size thickness to .038 inch, they will be operating at 1440 psi; and their contents--what they will release to us or what we have found out from an independent investigation--carries naphtlinc acid which to date in our research can not be treated within any known water treatment process. The other pipes are perpendicular to the water sources they cross; Keystone is paralleling Lake Ashtabula and the Sheyenne River for 91 miles before it crosses the River.

The two pipelines nearest our intake in south Fargo have limited capacity in their pipes due to the size (6"and 8") and the proximity of their shut off valves--one is located at the Bowler and the other at highway 52nd in Moorhead. The largest volume of spillage from these pipes is 500 barrels. The Keystone pipeline currently has one valve in 42 miles of pipe along the Sheyenne corridor; our consultants tell us that if 1% of the volume is spilled it represents over 8,000 barrels of crude--it would take 30 days to

clean up and it only take 9 days for the releases of Baldhill to reach the Fargo intake.

We estimate that we will spend about \$100,000 in consultant and attorney fees to protect our water source in this dispute with Keystone. We will be using our water fund to support these costs.

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

From: Scott Hennen [mailto:SHennen@wday.com]  
Sent: Friday, November 30, 2007 11:51 AM  
To: Pat Zavoral  
Cc: Heather Mitzel; Dennis Walaker; Mike Tanner; JMonk@wday.com  
Subject: Re:

Thanks Pat...Do you have an estimate on what you expect the total to be to complete the testimony/protest? As far as the costs from a potential spill....my question is why the new proposed pipeline is any more of a threat than the 9 upstream that currently are underneath our water supply?

Scott Hennen

General Manager/Host of "Hot Talk"

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Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

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

From: "Pat Zavoral" <[PZavoral@cityoffargo.com](mailto:PZavoral@cityoffargo.com)>

Date: Fri, 30 Nov 2007 11:14:18

To:SHennen@wday.com

Cc:"Heather Mitzel" <[HMITzel@cityoffargo.com](mailto:HMITzel@cityoffargo.com)>, "Dennis Walaker"

<[DWalaker@cityoffargo.com](mailto:DWalaker@cityoffargo.com)>

Subject:

Scott,

Heather asked if I'd respond to your inquiry about cost of the Keystone pipeline protest. To date we have spent \$18,000 for engineering consultants and about \$10,000 for attorney fees. There will be more coming.

I'm not sure if you are aware of all of the potential costs to Fargo if an oil spill would occur, since the press coverage didn't get into any detail.

An NDSU study, as part of the Red River Water Supply Project, pegged the loss of revenue to the City, County and State at \$6 million a day--- \$22 million a year. Our last oil spill was at the Flying J truck stop, less then 100 gallons of oiled spilled out and we had to shut our Red River inlet off for 10 days. If the Sheyenne River is our water supply and there is a spill during a drought the possibility of Fargo not having a water supply is a real possibility; what would be the economic and physical cost of such an

event?



Nov 28, 2007 19:52 ET

## Incident on Enbridge Pipeline

CALGARY, ALBERTA--(Marketwire - Nov. 28, 2007) - Enbridge Inc. (TSX:ENB) (NYSE:ENB) reports that at approximately 3:45 CST, November 28, 2007, an explosion and fire occurred on an Enbridge crude oil pipeline approximately three miles southeast of Enbridge's Clearbrook, Minnesota terminal. The extent of the damage and injuries is not yet confirmed.

All Enbridge pipelines in the vicinity were immediately shut down and isolated and Enbridge emergency crews were dispatched to the site.

Enbridge has notified and is working with the appropriate authorities and emergency officials. The cause of the explosion has not been determined.

There is no estimate at this time on the restart of the lines.

Enbridge Inc. ([www.enbridge.com](http://www.enbridge.com)) is a leader in energy transportation and distribution in North America and internationally. As a transporter of energy, Enbridge operates, in Canada and the United States, the world's longest crude oil and liquids pipeline system. Enbridge also has international operations and a growing involvement in the natural gas transmission and midstream businesses. As a distributor of energy, Enbridge owns and operates Canada's largest natural gas distribution company, which provides distribution services in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, and in New York State; and is developing a gas distribution system for the Province of New Brunswick. Enbridge is a Canadian company and its common shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange in Canada and on the New York Stock Exchange in the United States under the symbol ENB.

Oil pipeline explodes near Clearbrook--two workers unaccounted for



Two workers were unaccounted for Wednesday after an explosion and fire along a crude oil pipeline near this northern Minnesota town, authorities said.

The Clearwater County Sheriff's Department said emergency workers were responding to the scene of the Enbridge Energy explosion, which was reported at 3:51 p.m.

The blast and oil spill appeared to be self-contained and the ensuing fire was expected to burn itself out, according to the sheriff's department. The fire was expected to burn through the night.

Little information was available about the two workers who were unaccounted for.

Residents within close proximity have been evacuated.

In a news release posted on its Web site, Enbridge Energy said pipelines in the vicinity of the explosion were immediately shut down after the blast. The company said it hadn't

confirmed any injuries and that the cause of the blast hadn't been determined.

Clearbrook is about 25 miles northwest of Bemidji.

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## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 29, 2007 8:53 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Resignation

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 28, 2007 9:25 PM  
**To:** mike jacobs; mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com; ed bismarck; Wahl, Al; Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin  
**Cc:** Tom Brown; EE "Smokey" Wright; mooneymit@srt.com; Henry Singer; ed starke  
**Subject:** Resignation

Editors, Please publish, Please be advised that because of the lack of support by the Dakota Resource Council leaders and the suspension of my membership for one year for an alleged breach of etiquette, I will try to find an organization more suited to my style of communication. I wish the members well in their battle with big oil who daily use the media to convince the public that the sludge being fed to America has a legitimate need, which is FALSE Our refineries produce all the road tar we need. Richard Starke,BSIE,BSED, Major USAF (ret'd). Now for my book!! Let the heads fall wher they may!!

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 29, 2007 8:52 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: More About The Explosion Along Clearbrook Pipeline

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 29, 2007 2:00 AM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin; mike jacobs; mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com; ed bismarck; dave walaker; Jim Jones; brian obenchain  
**Cc:** -Info-Governor's Office  
**Subject:** Fw: More About The Explosion Along Clearbrook Pipeline

FYI You must live with your Conscience for you are ACCOUNTABLE for your decisions, so far WRONG TWICE. You have ONE CHANCE to redeem yourselves. DENY THE APPLICATION GOD HELP YOU.

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

**From:** Ramona Klein  
**To:** Undisclosed-Recipient;  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 28, 2007 10:34 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: More About The Explosion Along Clearbrook Pipeline

Crude oil pipeline explodes, killing two in Minn.

# Explosion along Clearbrook pipeline

By Larry Oakes / StarTribune

startribune.com

updated 25 minutes ago

Two maintenance workers were unaccounted for after an explosion and fire this afternoon along a crude oil pipeline near the northern Minnesota town of Clearbrook.

The Clearwater County Sheriff's office reported that the explosion was reported about 3:50 p.m. at the Enbridge Energy pipeline about a mile south of Clearbrook.

Multiple rural fire departments responded, and residents within a mile radius were evacuated because of smoke.

Enbridge spokesman Larry Springer said a maintenance crew from Superior, Wis., was working on the pipeline at the time. Asked if any were injured or missing as reported by local authorities, he said: "We're trying to confirm that information and won't speculate about that for now."

Springer said the crew was replacing a section of pipe that had developed a small leak. "It had been repaired with a sleeve, and we were removing it so that it could be analyzed," Springer said.

The sheriff's office reported that the explosion resulted in a "spill" from the pipeline that appeared to be "burning itself out," but was expected to burn through the night.

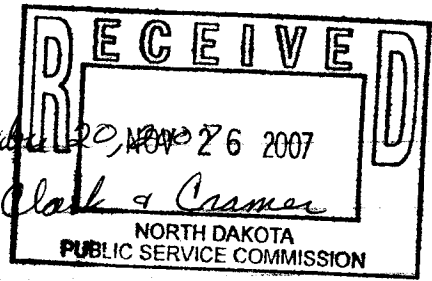
Springer said the pipeline carries crude oil from Canada to Enbridge's Superior, Wis., terminal and storage facilities. He said the section will be explosion is part of the company's Lakehead pipeline system.

Little information was available about the two workers who were unaccounted for.

Residents within close proximity have been evacuated.

*The Associated Press contributed to this report.>/I>*

Duane I. Hayen  
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PSC Commissioners Wefald, Clark & Cramer

RE: Keystone Pipeline

We finally got a call from Keystone Nov 5, 2007. They stated they had made the changes to the easement but when we received it - it was exactly the same

The next time he came - Nov 19 - the word one pipeline was put in ~~some~~ place and not in the other places. They have no intention of negotiating anything.

We as landowners are clearly at a disadvantage from the start. By the time we find out we are affected its too late. We are not familiar with the process and we need attorneys to represent us, very few are able to afford one.

This project will deeply affect our livelihood for the rest of our life. Larger farms may be able to work around it but we can not.

Keystone's plan for abandonment of the pipe is to leave it in the ground when they are finished. Our children or the state will have to clean up the mess afterwards.

We feel that if the permit is to be given it should be without the ability to use eminent domain.

Duane & Delora Hayden  
Caspwell, ND

November 26, 2007

The Honorable Susan E. Wefald, President  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
State Capital  
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505

The Honorable Kevin Cramer, Commissioner  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
State Capital  
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505

The Honorable Tony Clark, Commissioner  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
State Capital  
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505

RE: Keystone Pipeline

Dear Commissioners Wefald, Cramer and Clark:

From The Forum Monday November 5, 2007 page A10: "However, if something changes in the industry so that these turbines are no longer needed, I want to have something in place that would take care of them." (Susan Wefald)

The above article was addressing wind turbine rules, but for us, landowners affected by the Keystone Pipeline, we are also concerned about the same issues at the end of this pipeline's life. We have tried to "negotiate" items like this. Keystone's reply to that landowner concern has been only to hear the word "condemnation."

It is still our opinion that Transcanada/Keystone's negotiation technique is to only offer their route and prepared easement. If a landowner fails to comply to very limited offers of compromise, the company is content to merely wait for the eminent domain powers "*the ND PSC is certainly going to give us*" and force us to comply to their easement terms. Any additional criteria that we as landowners may suggest apparently triggers the company's policy of unilateral determination that the parties won't find middle ground. Therefore they believe condemnation is the only alternative.

In Bismarck on September 6<sup>th</sup> after your Commissioner's meeting, Transcanada/Keystone attorney John Hunt inquired what additional issues we had with the easement. I related the current easement (see exhibit PM1 in your files) which indicates "and abandoning in place." I was concerned that the easement did not detail when abandonment actually transpires or the potential hazard of leaving the pipe in the ground to disintegrate, leak residual contents and eventually collapse. He reaffirmed was a good understanding of that company's prepared easement term. He acknowledges the land agent assigned to us has no power to negotiate anything on the prepared easement and that he (John Hunt) would be the one to "talk" to us about such matters. On November 9<sup>th</sup>, a land agent supervisor (Denny Needham) from Kansas City suggested that if we pursued abandonment language in the easement, Transcanada would merely wait for condemnation to force us to accept the company's easement language as already prepared without any changes. As of today, promised deadlines for answers to our questions have passed which has become a usual practice now for this company. If this is the kind of response we get when they need

something (easement) from us, what can we expect when we need help from them like filling in sinkholes or cleaning up after accidental spills? Perhaps that is why the company resists putting a corporate officer's signature to their own prepared easement; just the landowner's.

From The Forum, October 4, 2007: "In some of the letters we're receiving, it just sounds like (TransCanada) is giving (landowners) the easement papers, and they make an offer. We're hearing they won't negotiate. Negotiation is part of the easement process." (Susan Wefald) An independent review should disclose the past practice of the company is still in operation today.

An application for a Minnesota crude oil pipeline known as "MinnCan Project" was just granted in 2007. In a document, prepared by Administrative Law Judge Beverly Jones Heydinger dated November 17, 2006, listed very similar landowner issues we are encountering and suggested conditions be placed on the routing permit. I would hope our ND Public Service Commissioners would review such conditions regarding easements and perhaps offer their own to protect our state landowners.

Today I write this to explain our dilemma. We sense that no state office of officer holder is truly concerned about this easement. For landowners, it is extremely important to know what our responsibilities are. Also, it lets us know what the Company legal intentions are too. This abandonment is merely one issue that highlights our concerns. State law seems to indicate that:

**"routes shall be chosen which minimize adverse human and environmental impact."**

It truly feels unfair that individual landowners are carrying undue burden to keep this pipeline safe for the future by trying to incorporate easement terms which should have state oversight. And as we try, the company merely informs us that condemnation will reward them their easement without these concerns ever being addressed.

It is my understanding that in the condemnation process the court is really only concerned with the issue of compensation and that the terms of the easement are not addressed. It would appear that a landowner could spend a lot of money in legal fees trying to fix the particular issues that concern him regarding an unwanted easement and have it amount to nothing in the end. It doesn't feel right that we should have to defend our property against an unwanted intruder and that there is seemingly nothing and no one to help us.

It would seem appropriate for the PSC to intercede for the affected ND landowners. Apparently and ultimately, we are the ones who must accept what is an unwanted intrusion onto our property in order to benefit the most apparent public needs of Illinois and Oklahoma.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Mathews  
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701-724-6470  
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## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 26, 2007 10:25 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: betrayed the landowners

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 23, 2007 11:28 PM  
**To:** Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin  
**Subject:** betrayed the landowners

Evidently you boys have not heard of the Energy act of 2005 which Mandated (that means "you gotta do it) the use of clean burning biofuels to replace our need for foreign petroleum. Also you must have heard that by 2015 we will be EXPORTING (that means we have too much) GASOLINE. where have you been for the last few years? It has become abundantly clear that you intend to sell us out. Have you heard of global warming?

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 21, 2007 8:06 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Are you NUTS?

Public input.  
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Mobile email powered by Nokia Intellisync Tony Clark 701-328-2400 office  
701-220-5947 mobile

From: Richard Starke <starkef4@srt.com>  
Date: 11/21/2007 7:34 PM  
To: Wefald, Susan E. <swefald@nd.gov>; Clark, Tony T. <tclark@nd.gov>; Cramer, Kevin <kcramer@nd.gov>  
CC: EE Smokey Wright <eewright@srt.com>; -Info-Governor's Office <governor@nd.gov>  
Subject: Are you NUTS?

Where in the world do you get the authority to arbitrarily issue an certificate to the enemies of the public to wantonly wreck our PRIVATE PROPERTY? you are the most BRAIN DEAD BUNCH OF misfits that ever crawled out from under a rock!! what sick jokes you are!!!

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 19, 2007 9:00 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** Public INput

Public Input

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 17, 2007 3:07 AM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin; pm@pm.gc.ca; -Info-Governor's Office  
**Cc:** mike jacobs; mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com; ed bismarck; EE "Smokey" Wright; Jerald Burtman; Mike Ferguson; mooneymit@srt.com  
**Subject:** Fw: Un wanted and unnecessary oil line

PSC members, You are contributing to extra global warming by encouraging the use of tar-oil with its triple exhaust of carbon dioxide. Clean burning BIOFUELS are the fuels of the future, WITHOUT QUESTION, **DENY THE KEYSTONE PIPELINE AND PREVENT MORE GLOBAL WARMING.....IT IS ALREADY HERE, wake up !!!!!**

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

**From:** Nightly Viewer Mail  
**To:** Richard Starke  
**Sent:** Friday, November 16, 2007 9:15 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Un wanted and unnecessary oil line

Thank you for contacting NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams.  
Your feedback is critically important to Nightly News.

We began using our e-mail address in December of 1993. Since then, we have been pleased to receive valuable feedback from our viewers . We are especially encouraged that many of you are suggesting stories you would like us to report or investigate.

Many of our important stories come directly from your letters and we look forward to any ideas and comments you have in the future.

We will try to answer as many of your inquiries as possible, but answers to many of your frequently asked questions can be answered on our website: [www.Nightly.MSNBC.com](http://www.Nightly.MSNBC.com), where you can also watch the NBC Nightly News Netcast, The Early Nightly and watch video or read printed versions of recent stories.

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## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 19, 2007 8:58 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** Public Input  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg; image002.gif

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 17, 2007 9:05 PM  
**To:** Curt Hohn; lynn@drcinfo.com  
**Cc:** Ramona Starke Klein; Cramer, Kevin; Clark, Tony T.; Wefald, Susan E.; mike jacobs; mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com; ed bismarck; dave walaker; Jim Jones  
**Subject:** Re: Bismarck Tribune Editorial - TransCanada 11 16 07

Citizens, I intend to PROVE that runoff from my farm, WILL CARRY leaked oil to the Sheyenne River in 39 minutes for the river is DOWNHILL TWO HUNDRED FEET in THREE MILES, should the leak occur during spring runoff.

The SOUND IS ANOTHER ISSUE. If it is as intense as the sound made by an oil processing plant several miles south of Rhame ND, (the noise can be heard several miles away through the window of a car) it will be **TOO LOUD** to be coming through the sides and floors of intense traffic at 75 mph a mere FOUR FEET of concrete roadway AWAY. It will be Much louder than the 85 db that causes PERMANENT HEARING LOSS!!! IN MARGINAL WEATHER AND AT NIGHT IT WILL DAMAGE THE HEARING of motorists and cause traffic to pile up in MASSIVE ACCIDENTS BECAUSE OF THE UNEXPECTED noise!!!

The solution would be to move the route FIVE miles east to the FIRST CHOICE of Keystone, The Oriska Road ROW aka ND State Highway 32, and build a heavily insulated OVERPASS for the oil OVER the Interstate highway, a project of immense cost to TransCanada, but an absolute necessity or join the Fargo mayor in demanding that the permit be DENIED ! The US ethanol industry will be producing enough clean-burning biofuels to REPLACE foreign oil and make us an EXPORTER OF GASOLINE BY 2015.

Energy Act of 2005 MANDATE MAJOR RICHARD  
BSIE, BSED, USAF (ret'd).  
LANDOWNER

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

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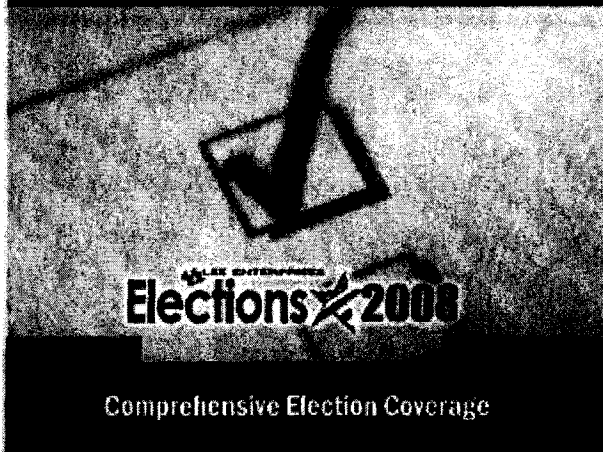
**From:** Curt Hohn  
**To:** Lillian Anderson ; Kent ; James F. Heisinger ; Janie ; Jana Linderman ; Davidson, John ; James Bush ; jbrimmer@mncenter.org ; jsieh@nvc.net ; Joell Fischbach ; jspulling@hotmail.com ; ed ; lynn@drcinfo.com ; Stephanie Chase ; Spader, Dean J ; snbclaus@rushmore.com ; srschuller@nvc.net ; Richard Starke ; GEORGE PIPER ; Carrels ; Curt Hohn ; Sue Sibson  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 17, 2007 9:29 AM  
**Subject:** Bismarck Tribune Editorial - TransCanada 11 16 07

## Doing it right with pipelines all important

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Nov 16, 2007 - 04:04:09 CST

The oil production industry in North Dakota won't reach its potential without increased pipeline capacity to transport petroleum to refineries.

The Public Service Commission's recent approval of a proposed new stretch of pipeline in McKenzie County was forward-looking and carefully decided after a thorough review. Approvals do not come easily, nor should they.

Only the most biased (and deluded) booster of the oil industry would deny a degree of risk that crude oil could escape into the environment as it makes its way to a refinery. It's in the pipeline company's self-interest to minimize the risk as much as possible.

One of the most controversial aspects of any proposed pipeline is its precise siting. It can be an intensely personal issue - if it's proposed to go through my land.

That's part of the reason that approval of the proposed Keystone pipeline in the eastern part of the state has been so slow in coming - not that slow is all bad. To repeat, the permit process must be carefully decided after a thorough review. But the amount of time it takes should be reasonable, giving all stakeholders an ample opportunity to be heard.

The similarity between two pipeline projects brought before the PSC for its approval is pretty limited to the fact that both are pipes and oil flows through both.

The Keystone project wouldn't be built to carry oil produced in North Dakota to its place of processing. North Dakota is only a route, and only a relatively small part of the route, at that. It's planned to go from Alberta and take Canadian product first to Illinois, and later in another branch, to Cushing, Okla. And the size by volume of Keystone's petroleum superhighway is immense, at least 435,000 barrels of crude every day.

To say that where it's sited is important is an understatement. Landowners from north to south along the proposed route through the eastern part of North Dakota have been wary, some up in arms. When it looked as if concerns had been addressed as much as they're ever going to be to opponents, approval seemed close.

Comes now the city of Fargo, concerned about the water in Lake Ashtabula and the Sheyenne River and its tributaries - in other words,, a source of drinking water for the metropolis. The city so gained the ear of the PSC it got the grace of becoming an intervener, though the deadline for comment had passed. TransCanada Keystone cried foul. A delay would cost millions, perhaps \$100 million, the company said. But the time, a delay until late November for another hearing, is not as important as getting it right, the decision to be made.

Almost overlooked now that Fargo's stake is weighed is that one of the state's environmental treasures, the Pembina Gorge, is affected. A strip through its heavily wooded valley would be cleared. That's a lousy prospect. At the very least, if approval is received, Keystone must rethink its routing and spare the gorge.

The PSC's Nov. 27-28 hearing at the Capitol may turn out to be occasion for a courageous, insightful decision. Or it could be a disaster in the making.

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**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 19, 2007 9:22 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: KeyStone Pipeline Project - Public Input file

Tom – I am not sure if I have already forwarded this to you for public input file.

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**From:** Val [mailto:crec@utma.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 3:28 PM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Subject:** KeyStone Pipeline Project

Dear Commissioner Wefald:

The Keystone Pipeline Project will be the best thing that ever will happen to North Dakota and the United States. \$7.00 wheat is no good for farming if you can't get diesel fuel to operate tractors, combines, trucks, etc.

There is a danger that if the United States does not approve this project soon, the Canadians will build a pipeline to the Canadian west coast and export the oil to China.

We urge you to close the Keystone Pipeline hearing at this time and approve the project.

Neil Romfo  
Cavalier County Commission Board Member and Marilyn Romfo  
Langdon ND 58249

## **Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 19, 2007 10:47 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** Keystone Pipeline

Gerald Ringdahl called. He lives 9 miles east of Oakes. He is a farmer. He lives 1 mile from the proposed pipeline. He is concerned because he read in the paper that 18 landowners in South Dakota have received condemnation papers from Keystone. I told him that our process in North Dakota is different than the process in SD and Keystone can not issue any condemnation papers in ND until after the Commission acts on the pipeline. He seemed satisfied just to visit about this.

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 17, 2007 9:44 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: MSNBC.com Article: Study: Warming is stronger, happening sooner

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Sat 11/17/2007 2:21 AM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin; mike jacobs; mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com; ed bismarck; Wahl, Al  
**Subject:** MSNBC.com Article: Study: Warming is stronger, happening sooner

We must react NOW.. Deny the pipeline!!!!

Study: Warming is stronger, happening sooner

Just a days after the Nobel prize was awarded for global warming work, an alarming new study finds that warming signals are stronger and happening sooner than expected due to increased human emissions of carbon dioxide and an Earth less able to absorb them.

<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/21423872/from/ET/>

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 17, 2007 9:43 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Un wanted and unnecessary oil line

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Sat 11/17/2007 3:07 AM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin; pm@pm.gc.ca; -Info-Governor's Office  
**Cc:** mike jacobs; mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com; ed bismarck; EE "Smokey" Wright; Jerald Burtman; Mike Ferguson; mooneymit@srt.com  
**Subject:** Fw: Un wanted and unnecessary oil line

PSC members, You are contributing to extra global warming by encouraging the use of tar-oil with its triple exhaust of carbon dioxide. Clean burning BIOFUELS are the fuels of the future, WITHOUT QUESTION, **DENY THE KEYSTONE PIPELINE AND PREVENT MORE GLOBAL WARMING.....IT IS ALREADY HERE, wake up !!!!!**

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

**From:** Nightly Viewer Mail  
**To:** Richard Starke  
**Sent:** Friday, November 16, 2007 9:15 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Un wanted and unnecessary oil line

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Your feedback is critically important to Nightly News.

We began using our e-mail address in December of 1993. Since then, we have been pleased to receive valuable feedback from our viewers . We are especially encouraged that many of you are suggesting stories you would like us to report or investigate.

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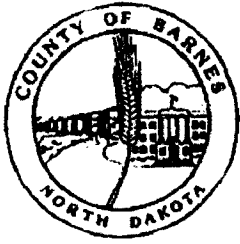
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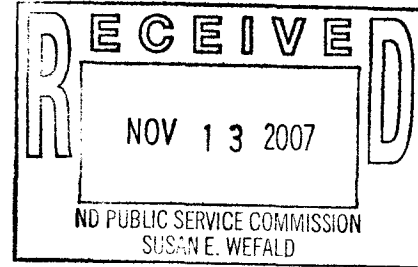
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November 9, 2007

✓ Commissioner Susan Wefald  
Commissioner Kevin Cramer  
Commissioner Tony Clark  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard, Dept 408  
Bismarck North Dakota 58505-0480

Subject: TransCanada – Keystone Pipeline Project  
Case No: PU-06-142

Dear Commissioners:

The Barnes County Board writes to express our serious concern with the decision of the North Dakota Public Service Commission to grant the City of Fargo's request to reopen the hearing records in connection with the TransCanada Keystone Pipeline Project. We strongly urge the PSC to expedite its consideration of this project. Separately, we urge the Commission to approve it.

Barnes County was represented at the hearings the PSC has already held on this project. We know that the PSC has not overlooked the safety of this pipeline proposed to pass through Barnes County landowners' properties. Nor has the PSC overlooked the safety of the pipeline as it passes adjacent to significant resources in Barnes County such as Lake Ashtabula and the Sheyenne River. It did not take Fargo's late interest in this case for safety to become important to those of us in Barnes County, to Keystone, nor as we know to the Public Service Commission.

We are aware that the design of this pipeline has also been reviewed by federal regulators responsible for pipeline safety. We are aware that the Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration has reviewed the design for the Keystone Pipeline and found that additional precautions to be taken and additional conditions met will ensure this pipeline "as safe or safer" than other pipelines.

We are also aware of the significant benefits the pipeline stands to bring – locally; throughout North Dakota; and nationally. On a local level, the project stands to generate tax revenues estimated at \$1.45 million to \$1.8 million per year that will aid Barnes County residents and schools. Barnes County and the rest of eastern North Dakota, including Fargo, will benefit from secondary economic impacts, estimated at near \$400 million, associated with a very significant construction project. Additionally, we understand the project has the support of the state's oil producers because it will help solve pipeline bottlenecks that have cost the state more than \$16 million in tax revenues according to the Office of Management and Budget. From a national perspective, the project seeks to deliver into the Midwest a stable and secure source of oil, domestic to North America.

We are aware of the estimates of the costs of delay on Keystone and do not think they are warranted, given the record that exists at the state and federal levels regarding safety. We are also concerned about the Commission's action delaying benefits of the project and potentially increasing local impacts if construction or restoration is interrupted.

Therefore, as a matter of public record and with respect, we express our strong opposition to the decision to reopen the Keystone Pipeline proceeding. We urge the PSC to avoid any further delay, and to move forward expeditiously to approve this project.

Sincerely,

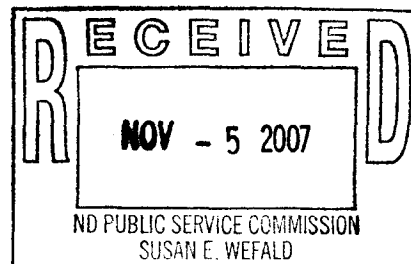
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Schwehr', written in a cursive style.

Cindy Schwehr, Chairman  
Barnes County Commission



# DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

November 2, 2007



Commissioner Susan Wefald  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard, Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Commissioner Wefald:

I am writing on behalf of Dakota Valley Electric Cooperative to express concern regarding the Public Service Commission's consideration to reopen, in response to a request from the City of Fargo, the hearing records for the TransCanada Keystone Oil Pipeline Project.


Dakota Valley provides electrical service to rural cooperative customers in Sargent County as well as all or parts of seven other counties in southeast North Dakota. The proposed Keystone pipeline route extends through part of our service territory in Sargent County, and Dakota Valley will provide electric service to a pipeline pumping station planned for a location between and south of the towns of Ludden and Brampton.

We have been working with TransCanada for the last year on service agreement details and preliminary preparation for the significant amount of electric transmission facilities we need to construct in order to provide our electric service. At this stage of the project, we are moving ahead with inter-connection agreements, landowner meetings associated with transmission line easements, and proposals to purchase long-lead time equipment. As you may understand, this work has to be accomplished now in order for us to take advantage of the 2008 summer and fall construction season.

While we respect the interests of the City of Fargo and do not wish to minimize their issues, we are concerned that reopening the public process will bring delays to the project to the extent we miss much of the construction season advantage and endure additional expense from delays and off-season construction.

We have found TransCanada to be open and forthcoming with their information, both at public meetings held months ago at numerous locations and in other discussion with us. We

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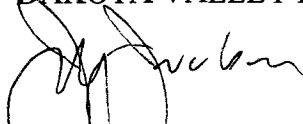
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appreciated the Public Service Commission's earlier public process review of the project, and question whether additional benefit will be derived through a reopening of that process.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns

Sincerely,

DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE



Jay Jacobson  
Alliance Manager

Cc: Commissioner Tony Clark  
Commissioner Kevin Cramer

**Richard Starke**

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**From:** "Lynn C Wolff" <lynn@drcinfo.com>  
**To:** "Janell Cole" <forumcap@btinternet.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 27, 2007 11:45 AM  
**Subject:** FW: Emailing: Pipeline Operations

FYI,

Attached is information on the Proline Global website regarding leaks and spills on the ALYSEKA PIPELINE.

TransCanada claims no leaks in 9,000 years.

This REAL pipeline had REAL LEAKS, totaling 1,360,248 gallons with leaks EVERY YEAR from 1977 to 2002.

(see the bottom of the page). Note that the operating pressure is only 1,180 psi. TransCanada Keystone will be 1,400 psi at 435,000 barrels and 1,700 psi at 590,000 barrels. I'd rather you didn't share this with TransCanada just now as we plan to use this as testimony before the PUC.

Source: <http://www.proline-global.com/main6.htm> and <http://www.alyeska-pipe.com/pipelinefacts/PipelineOperations.html>

## Pipeline Facts

### Pipeline Operations

#### Basic Information

- Maximum daily throughput — 2.136 million bbl., avg. (With 11 pump stations operating). Rates exceeding 1,440,000 bbl./day assume drag reduction agent (DRA) injection.
- Maximum daily throughput — 2000 (with 7 pump stations operating) — .99 million bbl., avg. Rates exceeding 1,000,000 bbl./day assume DRA injection
- Fuel required for all operations (fuel oil equivalent) — 210,000 gal/day (also see fuel requirements under Pump Stations, and Marine Terminal).
- Pressure —
  - Design, maximum — 1,180 psi
  - Operating, maximum — 1,180 psi
- Pump Station facilities in original design — 12 pump stations with 4 pumps each.
- Pump Stations operating, Nov. 1, 1998 — 7: PS 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 12. PS 5 is a relief station only. PS 11 is a security site. PS 8 placed in standby June 30, 1998. PS 10 placed in standby July

7/27/2007

**Pipeline Leaks:** TransCanada claims that the Keystone pipeline, which will operate at 1,700 psi, won't leak in 900 years. Yet the Trans-Alaska (Alyeska) Pipeline which operates at 1,180 psi has had leaks, failures and shut downs every year for 25 years, from 1977 to 2002. Below is a summary of the oil leaks on the Trans-Alaska Pipeline - Operations Report from their official website which proves that leaks or spills are common place on crude oil pipelines. Last updated June 23, 2004.

Year	No.	Gallons Leaked	Barrels
1977	34	93,778 gal.....	2,232 bbls
1978	24	872,578 gal.....	16,013 bbls
1979	43	233,800 gal.....	5,566 bbls
1980	55	149,495 gal.....	3,531 bbls
1981	32	63,371 gal.....	1,508 bbls
1982	30	1,653 gal.....	39 bbls
1983	17	174 gal.....	4 bbls
1984	32	3,260 gal.....	77 bbls
1985	31	1,138 gal.....	27 bbls
1986	40	1,607 gal.....	38 bbls
1987	37	172 gal.....	4 bbls
1988	35	600 gal.....	14 bbls
1989	26	10,572,207 gal.....	258,855 bbls (ExxonValdez)
1990	31	277 gal.....	6 bbls
1991	54	460 gal.....	11 bbls
1992	55	822 gal.....	19 bbls
1993	65	361 gal.....	8 bbls
1994	44	13,610 gal.....	324 bbls
1995	06	90 gal.....	2 bbls
1996	12	34,185 gal.....	814 bbls
1997	05	80 gal.....	2 bbls
1998	05	22 gal.....	0.5 bbls
1999	08	16 gal.....	0.39 bbls
2000	06	165 gal.....	4 bbls
2001	15	287,980 gal.....	6,856 bbls
2002	09	16 gal.....	0.39 bbls

Total Leaks / Spills 12,131,915 gallons  
 Avg. Per Year Leaks / Spills 485,277 gallons

**Shutdowns & Pipe Failures :**

- 1977 — Jul 8 — MP 489.24 — pump building at PS 8 destroyed in an explosion and fire
- Aug 2 — equipment malfunction — 40 min.
- Aug 15 — PS 9 sump overflow — 110 hrs., 11 min.
- Sep 20 — equipment malfunction — 59 min.
- 1978 — Jan 5 — equipment malfunction — 1 hr.
- Jan 10 — equipment malfunction — 4 hrs.
- Jan 16 — equipment malfunction — 4 hrs., 22 min.
- Jan 17 — equipment malfunction — 3 hrs., 41 min.
- Feb 15 — sabotage, Steele Creek — 21 hrs., 31 min.
- May 6 — equipment malfunction — 7 hrs., 18 min.
- May 30 — equipment malfunction — 2 hrs., 22 min.
- Sep 4 — equipment malfunction — 3 hrs.
- Dec 17 — equipment malfunction — 2 hrs., 8 min.

**Major mainline pipe repairs**

- 1977 — Jul 8 — MP 489.24 — pump building at PS 8 destroyed in an explosion and fire;
- \* 1979 —
- June — MP 166.43 — north side Atigun Pass: hairline crack caused by buckle. Covered with 56-in. dia., 6-ft. welded split sleeve; 19 steel supports installed. Pipe reburied.
- June — MP 734.16 — 1 mi. north of PS 12: hairline crack caused by buckle in pipe. Covered with 56-in. dia., 6.7-ft. welded split sleeve; 7 steel supports installed. Pipe reburied.
- September — MP 157.62 to MP 157.65 — instrument pig ("Super Pig") lodged in line at check valve 29. Stopple and bypass installed, valve bonnet lifted, pig removed. Pipe reburied.
- \* 1980 —
- June — MP 416.00 — approx. 2 mi. south of PS 7; pipe settlement. Approx. 430-ft. excavation; 8 steel supports installed. Pipe not reburied.
- August — MP 752.00 — flash flood, 900 ft. of overburden washed out;
- \* 1982 —
- August — MP 166.03 — north side Allgum Pass: pipe buckle. Pipe reburied.
- \* 1983 —
- April — MP 200.24 — Dietrich River channel: pipe buckle. River channel redirected.
- October — MP 45.87 — pipe settlement. Approx. 200-ft. excavation; concrete slurry added beneath pipe. Pipe reburied.
- \* 1984 —
- March — removal of stuck scraper pig at CV4 and relocation trap.

(For a complete list check the internet call or write us)  
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**Record of system crude oil leaks and spills of 100 bbl. or more on land or water\***

	Location	bbl.	Cause
<b>1977</b>			
July 8	PS 8	300	Explosion
July 19	CV7	1,800	Construction damage
<b>1978</b>			
Feb 15	Steele Creek	16,000	Sabotage
<b>1979</b>			
June 10	Atigun Pass	1,500	Pipe settlement, hairline crack
June 15	MP 734	4,000	Pipe settlement, hairline crack
<b>1980</b>			
Feb 11	Terminal V746	3,200	Leaking valve, east tank farm
May 12	PS 10	238	Tank valve
<b>1981</b>			
Jan 1	CV 23	1,500	Drain connection failure
<b>1989</b>			
Jan 3	Thompson Pass	1,700	Hull crack
March 24	Exxon Valdez	260,000	Vessel ran aground
<b>1996</b>			
April 20	CV 92	880	Loose thread fitting on buried piping
<b>2001</b>			
Oct 4	MP 400	6,800	Bullet Hole

**System crude oil leaked or spilled\* by year, number and amount**

Year	No.	Amount
1977	34	93,778 gal/2,232 bbls
1978	24	672,576 gal/16,013 bbls
1979	43	233,800 gal/5,566 bbls
1980	55	149,495 gal/3,531 bbls
1981	32	63,371 gal/1,508 bbls
1982	30	1,653 gal/39 bbls
1983	17	174 gal/4 bbls
1984	32	3,260 gal/77 bbls
1985	31	1,138 gal/27 bbls
1986	40	1,607 gal/38 bbls
1987	37	172 gal/4 bbls
1988	35	600 gal/14 bbls
1989	28	10,572,207 gal/258,855 bbls

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 15, 2007 9:01 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: RE:Fargo intervenes in pipeline route plan

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 15, 2007 2:28 AM  
**To:** lynn@drcinfo.com; mike jacobs; mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com; ed bismarck  
**Cc:** Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin  
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**From:** Richard Starke  
**To:** editor@dailycommercialnews.com ; mike jacobs ; mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com ; ed bismarck ; Jim Jones  
**Cc:** Susan Wefald ; Tony Clark ; kevin cramer ; EE "Smokey" Wright ; Tom Brown ; tim vanhal ;  
senator@conrad.senate.gov ; Dorgan, Senator (Dorgan) ; JOHN HOEVEN ; George Bush  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 15, 2007 2:07 AM  
**Subject:** RE:Fargo intervenes in pipeline route plan

To the editor: If construction, which I disapprove of due to their frequent spills (572 in 6 years) occurs they will destroy many acres of my farm, which is 3 miles east of Valley City's Sheyenne river. In runoff which occurs in the spring, the oil will reach the river in 39 minutes, something Fargo cannot tolerate. The solution is to move the site to the State Highway 32 ROW, Keystone's first choice , or I-29's 400 foot wide state owned right of way. The State DOT objection due to 'safety' is NOT VALID!!

In her testimony Keystone's "Expert witness" Heidi Tilquit perjured herself, a felony offense, saying that "the land was flat from the pipeline to Valley City" when IN TRUTH it drops 200 ft in three miles. At 5 miles per hour the three miles are covered in 39 minutes by a spill.. Likewise, witness Buster Grey lied under oath saying that "he had called the "Forest Service" and been told that because of the heavy forests in western North Dakota it was not advisable to take a western route". I called State Forrester Larry Kotchman and he said he had never heard of Mr Grey and expressed disappointment with Grey and said "there aren't ANY trees in the west".

So the PSC has these lies upon which to decide whether or not to deny the request. When the nation's 165 biodiesel plants producing 1.85 billion gallons per year are joined by the 80 plants under construction, the 2.696 billion gallons will satisfy the need for foreign oil and the United States will become an EXPORTER OF GASOLINE!! The decision is CLEAR....DENY THE REQUEST.

Sincerely,  
Major Richard Starke  
BSIE, BSED,  
USAF, (ret'd)  
Landowner.

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Friday, November 09, 2007 2:47 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone - Fargo

Did this get docketed?

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

**From:** Moch, Alan G.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 11:05 AM  
**To:** -Grp-PSC Commissioners  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone - Fargo

FYI

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**From:** Harold.Winnie@dot.gov [mailto:Harold.Winnie@dot.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 10:41 AM  
**To:** ivan.huntoon@dot.gov  
**Cc:** Karen.Butler@dot.gov; Leonard.Steiner@dot.gov; Moch, Alan G.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone - Fargo

Ivan,

Following the meeting with the City of Fargo, I believe there are three items that need to be covered.

- 1) The city would like to know if they could make some pipeline design recommendations or safety recommendations to PHMSA and if they did would PHMSA consider them or would they just ignore the recommendations?
- 2) The engineering firm that is working on the project for the City of Fargo has identified Caesar De Leon as a consultant to work on the pipeline safety recommendations.
- 3) The environmental consultant being used by Houston Engineering has stated that the crude being transported is a Synthetic Crude and may have some unusual characteristics.
  - \* His concerns were that the synthetic crude may separate into LNAPL and DNAPL meaning a portion floats and a portion sinks into the water causing difficulties in cleanup.
  - \* It may contain naphthenic acids that are not well understood when allowed into the water
  - \* What is the water soluble BTEXN fraction by weight of this product?

\* What is the diluent they use the thin the product and how does that affect the water soluble components such as BTEX and Naphthalenes?

Harold Winnie

CATS Project Manager

816-329-3836

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From: Schlipp, Allen [mailto:aschlipp@houstonengineeringinc.com]  
Sent: Friday, November 02, 2007 2:27 PM  
To: Winnie, Harold <PHMSA>  
Subject: RE: Keystone - Fargo

Thanks very much for coming to Fargo. You have a tough job but you handle it quite well.

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From: Harold.Winnie@dot.gov [mailto:Harold.Winnie@dot.gov]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2007 5:13 PM  
To: Schlipp, Allen  
Subject: RE: Keystone - Fargo

Allen,

Schedule is set arrive in Fargo at 5:55 PM (if flight is on time), staying at the Homewood Suites and leaving at 2:55 PM on Friday.

Harold Winnie

CATS Project Manager

816-329-3836

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From: Schlipp, Allen [mailto:aschlipp@houstonengineeringinc.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2007 11:01 AM  
To: Winnie, Harold <PHMSA>  
Cc: Schlipp, Allen  
Subject: FW: Keystone - Fargo

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From: Schlipp, Allen  
Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2007 10:54 AM  
To: 'winnie.harold@dot.gov'  
Cc: Schlipp, Allen  
Subject: Keystone - Fargo

Harold:

I just now left you a voice message to call me. The Fargo group is anxious to have you come up and talk with them.

Is it possible for you or someone from your office to come up here on Thursday of this week, spend the night and participate

in a conference call on Friday @ 10:30? I have been assigned the task of setting this up and hope I can make this happen.

Thanks,

Allen.

Allen Schlipp

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## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Friday, November 09, 2007 1:10 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Oil spills

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 03, 2007 11:39 PM  
**To:** glunn@nrcan.gc.ca; -Info-Governor's Office; mvonpinnon@forumcomm.com; mike jacobs; Jim Jones; Cramer, Kevin; Clark, Tony T.  
**Cc:** lynn@drcinfo.com  
**Subject:** Oil spills

The letter from the Keystone Pipeline official is full of lies. Here is the truth. My land stretches from the Soo Line railroad just southeast of Valley City to the Peak interchange which is four miles east of the city along Interstate 94. The elevation of my land is 1400 feet above sea level as is the Valley City Airport. The Valley City Surveyor stated that the Sheyenne river elevation is 1200 feet above sea level, a difference of 200 feet in three miles. Every spring during snow melt the runoff crosses my farm on its way to the Sheyenne river at Valley City, which is 200 feet DOWNHILL!! At 5 miles per hour it will kctake THIRTY NINE minutes to reach the river in Valley City then down the Sheyenne to the Red river just north of Fargo, then into the Winnipeg river and Lake Winnipeg.

By the year 2017 the ethanol industry will be producing enough clean burning biofuels to furnish enough to more than replace foreign oil imports and the US will be an EXPORTER of GASOLINE. The end of petroleum product burning will halt the melting of the ice caps and stop the rising of the oceans, hopefully in time.

The media conveniently ignore the presence of the biofuels industry but we are HERE TO STAY. Get used to the FUELS OF THE FUTURE and hydrogen burning cars.

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Friday, November 09, 2007 1:10 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: WORCexpress - News from the Region, November 2007

Public input

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 04, 2007 12:24 AM  
**To:** WORC; Wefald, Susan E.; Cramer, Kevin; Clark, Tony T.  
**Cc:** Tollefson, Ben C.  
**Subject:** Re: WORCexpress - News from the Region, November 2007

tHANKS FOR THE UPDATE. wE ARE trying to get the PSC to do its job PROTECT NORTH DAKOTA FROM BIG OIL

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

**From:** WORC  
**To:** [starkef4@srt.com](mailto:starkef4@srt.com)  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 03, 2007 9:04 AM  
**Subject:** WORCexpress - News from the Region, November 2007

If you have trouble viewing this message, please see the [web version](#).

## News from the WORC network

Hi Richard,

Members have been busy voicing their opinions on key Congressional decisions recently, and we're gearing up for another grassroots push for fair livestock markets, responsible energy, and fair trade beginning on Monday.

### WORC Aims at Livestock Market Reform in Senate

The Senate Agriculture Committee added important livestock competition provisions to the Farm Bill. First, the Committee approved a ban on packer ownership of livestock 14 days prior to slaughter.

Second, we won several changes in the "Livestock Title" of the bill, including

- Creating an Office of Special Counsel on Agricultural Competition at the U.S. Department of Agriculture for the enforcement of the Packers and Stockyards Act and Agricultural Fair Practices Act
- The House version of Mandatory Country of Origin Labeling with minor changes that require labels of mixed meat rather than leaving it to USDA's discretion;
- Expands the Agricultural Fair Trade Practices Act to allow producer members of associations or cooperatives;
- Makes arbitration in livestock and poultry contracts voluntary;
- Provides USDA enforcement authority over live poultry dealers; and
- Amends the Animal Health Protection Act to make unauthorized use of information obtained through an animal identification system unlawful.

We're looking forward to adding the Captive Supply Reform Act to the Farm Bill when the Senate debate begins next week. Senators Enzi and Dorgan will offer the amendment. For more information on other potential amendments, visit our [website](#).

### WORC Cheers 1872 Mining Law Reform

On November 1, House of Representatives passed the Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2007, HR 2262, on a vote of 244-166 to overhaul the 1872 Mining Law. The bill would:

- Give federal land managers the authority to balance other public land uses – such as for drinking water, recreation, hunting, fishing, and wildlife habitat – when deciding whether to permit a mine.
- Prohibit mines that would cause perpetual water pollution.
- Provide a fair return to the U.S. Treasury on minerals taken from our public lands.
- Begin to fund the \$50 billion cleanup of America's hundreds of thousands of abandoned hardrock mines.
- Protect core wildlife habitat, roadless national forest lands, wild and scenic rivers from irresponsible mining.
- Give local governments the ability to petition to put lands off limited to mining.
- Allow Native American tribes to petition for the withdrawal from mining of lands containing their sacred sites.
- Offer additional protections to National Parks and Monuments to assure that large mines do not adversely affect these important natural treasures.

The Senate is expected to consider the bill next year. We'll keep you posted.

### WORC Gears Up for Energy Bill

The House and Senate are still figuring out how to proceed on and the substance of the energy bill. Some key Senators who had been opposed to a formal House-Senate conference committee, Senators Levin (D-MI), Stabenow (D-MN), Domenici (R-NM), Stevens (R-AK) and Inhofe (R-OK), agreed to let the bill to move forward, only to have Senator Hutchison (R-TX) step in and object. In this case, one Senator is enough to hold up the bill.

In the meantime, House and Senate staffs have been meeting to settle the differences between the House

### Annual Meetings

**Powder River Basin  
Resource Council**  
35th Annual Meeting  
Sheridan Holiday Inn  
November 2-3  
Sheridan, WY  
307-672-5809

**Northern Plains Resource  
Council**  
36th Annual Meeting  
Crowne Plaza  
November 9-10  
Billings, MT  
406-248-1154

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220 South 27th Street, Suite B, Billings, Montana 59101  
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**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Bauske, Shelly A.  
**Sent:** Friday, November 09, 2007 2:57 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.; Jeffcoat-Sacco, Ilona  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone Pipeline Hearings

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

**From:** caweixel@toast.net [mailto:caweixel@toast.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 09, 2007 2:11 PM  
**To:** -Info-Public Service Commission  
**Subject:** Keystone Pipeline Hearings

I am writing this to express my disappointment at your opening the hearings again. I feel you are doing it causes future license requests and future projects to be in jeopardy. Why spend all the time putting notices in papers and doing all you require if someone can come in late and delay the process? Time is money and I think you have done a disfavor to Keystone by putting them off. You should have a policy that causes people/agencies that come in late to do so with some financial concerns. If people/agencies come in late they should have to pay something for the privilege, if only for the costs of the travel to the meetings but possibly a share of what is going to be lost to the project. Keystone seems to be liable to lose far more with this delay.

Please see to trying to come to a decision as close to the original date as possible to be fair.

In our October 25 report in The Jamestown Sun, Fargo seemed to be egotistical in its approach to this, in spite of the notice publications in their local paper and their lateness.

Thanks.

Clifford Weixel  
Jamestown, ND  
[caweixel@toast.net](mailto:caweixel@toast.net)

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 07, 2007 4:12 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone Pipeline Project

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

**From:** Rich Rogers [mailto:rich.rogers@sendit.nodak.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 12:07 PM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin  
**Subject:** Keystone Pipeline Project

Public Service Commissioners:

I am writing in support of the Keystone Pipeline Project. In reading Mr. Cramer's article in the Forum (October 30, 2007) it appears there have been several opportunities over the last two years for anyone with concerns with the project to have their voices heard. As the Langdon Area School Superintendent and a member of the Cavalier County Job Development Association I support safe, fair and well planned out opportunities to generate new tax dollars for our school and county. The Pipeline Project appears to be one of those opportunities. Thank you for your consideration.

Rich Rogers  
Langdon Area School Superintendent

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 07, 2007 1:25 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone Pipeline Project

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**From:** Val [mailto:[crec@utma.com](mailto:crec@utma.com)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 3:46 PM  
**To:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Subject:** Keystone Pipeline Project

Dear Commissioner Clark:

The Keystone Pipeline Project will be the best thing that ever will happen to North Dakota and the United States. \$7.00 wheat is no good for farming if you can't get diesel fuel to operate tractors, combines, trucks, etc.

There is a danger that if the United States does not approve this project soon, the Canadians will build a pipeline to the Canadian west coast and export the oil to China.

We urge you to close the Keystone Pipeline hearing at this time and approve the project.

Neil Romfo  
Cavalier County Commission Board Member and Marilyn Romfo  
Langdon ND 58249

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 07, 2007 1:14 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone Pipe Line

Public input

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**From:** Ole & Marge Nowatzki [mailto:olemarge@utma.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 1:01 PM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Cc:** Cramer, Kevin; Clark, Tony T.  
**Subject:** Keystone Pipe Line

Dear Commissioners

I think it would be wrong to re-open hearings on this issue as there was ample time for Fargo or anyone else to be heard at the various public meetings. To re-open the hearing would set a precedent that will have far reaching consequences for any hearings in the future as it would jeopardize the entire hearing process.

We have a system in place that works very well & I don't think we should destroy it just because Fargo wants to be heard when they had every opportunity to do so. Thank you for your time. Sincerely,

Harold Nowatzki  
Langdon, N.D.

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 07, 2007 9:33 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone Pipeline project

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**From:** Val [mailto:[crec@utma.com](mailto:crec@utma.com)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 11:09 AM  
**To:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Subject:** Keystone Pipeline project

Dear Commissioner Clark:

The Public Service Commission hearing is scheduled to convene at 10 am tomorrow - Wednesday, October 7 regarding the Keystone Pipeline project.

Cavalier County is in favor of this project for the tax revenues that will be paid.

The State of North Dakota would enjoy between \$7 - 9.5 M in tax revenue each year.

But most important:

- A. The Keystone Pipeline will transport nearly 600 million barrels of Canadian crude oil into this country each year.
- B. Canada is a reliable source of crude oil rather than the unpredictable Middle East.
- C. Gasoline in Langdon has just gone over \$3.00/gallon. Diesel fuel has gone well over \$3.00/gallon.
- D. Delays in approving the Keystone application will only delay the delivery of crude oil into the United States resulting in increased costs.

We encourage you to vote in favor of closing the hearing on the Keystone Pipeline project and approving it.

Duane Otto  
Manager  
Cavalier Rural Electric Coop  
Langdon ND 58249  
701-256-5511  
701-256-5513 (fax)  
[crec@utma.com](mailto:crec@utma.com)

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 07, 2007 9:32 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone pipeline

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**From:** Michael Granlund [mailto:mgfmbank@utma.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 6:07 PM  
**To:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Subject:** Keystone pipeline

Commissioner Tony Clark:

This email is in opposition to reopening the TransCanada Keystone Pipeline route case. I feel there is no need to reopen the hearings since everyone had an equal opportunity to voice support or concern for the project. Reopening would only delay the project and delay the US from receiving crude oil from Canada. The price of gas in Langdon is over \$3.00 per gallon and crude oil is now over \$96 which equates to \$4.00 per gallon at the pump. As energy prices go higher, the US economy will slow. We need this source of energy now and your vote to reopen these hearings would only delay this project and a source of energy for the US economy.

Michael Granlund  
1123 16<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Langdon, ND 58249

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 07, 2007 9:10 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone Pipeline hearings

Public input

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**From:** Richard [mailto:rflander@utma.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 8:42 PM  
**To:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Subject:** Fw: Keystone Pipeline hearings

**Subject:** Keystone Pipeline hearings

Tony Clark,

I encourage you to not reopen hearings on the Keystone pipeline. All parties, including Fargo, had ample time and advertising to offer any information and testimony. Extending the hearing deadline may result in setting a precedent that will invite other dissenting parties to ask for hearing extensions on future PSC opinions. "Opening the door just a bit" will undoubtedly let more people into your room than you can handle. I also understand that you can recognize concerns from ALL parties even after the hearing deadlines have transpired. Sounds good enough to me.

I realize that your commission has a very difficult decision to consider. You have my sympathy in that regard. I also know that all pertinent facts will be given timely consideration. Good luck!

One last parting thought, "if you extend this one, how can you say NO to the next similar request and call it fair.

Thank you for your time.

Cavalier County farmer and county commissioner,  
Richard Flanders

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 2:37 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone Pipe Line

Pipeline Public Input file.

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 2:37 PM  
**To:** 'Ole & Marge Nowatzki'  
**Subject:** RE: Keystone Pipe Line

Mr. and Mr. Nowatzki – Thank you for your letter and for expressing your thoughts on this important issue. Your letter will be placed in the public input file of this case.

Best Wishes,  
Commissioner Susan Wefald  
President, North Dakota Public Service Commission

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**From:** Ole & Marge Nowatzki [mailto:olemarge@utma.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 1:01 PM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Cc:** Cramer, Kevin; Clark, Tony T.  
**Subject:** Keystone Pipe Line

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Harold Nowatzki  
Langdon, N.D.

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 1:23 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Pipeline Input

Please place in public input - thanks

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**From:** Richard Starke [mailto:starkef4@srt.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 12:28 AM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Subject:** Worth

MS.Wefald, Pp 2.5 in the Presidential EIS CLEARLY TELLS of the TWO outlets from the pipeline.,( Not COMMON carrier)!! Can you order that extruded (like railroad rails) STAINLESS steel be used? No more corrosion -induced blowouts or "pig" use needed.

Sincerely  
Major Richard Starke  
BSED,BSIE,  
USAF, ( ret'd).

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 4:06 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone Pipeline Project

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

**From:** Rich Rogers [mailto:rich.rogers@sendit.nodak.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 12:07 PM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin  
**Subject:** Keystone Pipeline Project

Public Service Commissioners:

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Rich Rogers  
Langdon Area School Superintendent

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 2:54 PM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Re-opening of hearings

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**From:** Carol Goodman [mailto:goodman@utma.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 2:00 PM  
**To:** Cramer, Kevin; Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.  
**Subject:** Re-opening of hearings

Dear Commissioners Cramer, Wefald and Clark,

I hope this e-mail isn't too late, but I'm sending it to you to encourage you to NOT re-open the Public Service Commission hearings regarding the Keystone Pipeline Project. Fargo is bringing their concerns to the table very late in the process, and considering the extent of the resources in our largest ND community, they certainly had as much or more opportunity to study the issue and offer their input than most communities. North Dakota has a very competent process in place and does a good job of thoroughly studying every issue, which should be respected by all concerned.

Obviously, the Keystone project will be good for Cavalier County in addition to the tax revenue for North Dakota. I offer my comments not from a selfish point of view, but rather from the fact that the public process is the time for input and should not be circumvented.

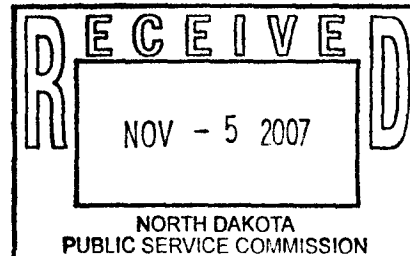
Thank you for considering my thoughts—

Carol Goodman, Exec. Dir.  
Cavalier County Job Development Authority  
901 3<sup>rd</sup> St. – Langdon, ND 58249  
701.256.3475  
[Goodman@utma.com](mailto:Goodman@utma.com)



November 2, 2007

Ms. Susan Wefald, Commissioner  
Mr. Kevin Cramer, Commissioner  
Mr. Tony Clark, Commissioner  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
State Capitol  
600 E Blvd., Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



Dear Commissioners:

We have read with interest some of the editorials and public comments about the manner in which TransCanada is conducting business in an effort to keep the Keystone Oil Pipeline Project on schedule. One South Dakota newspaper characterized the actions as “pushing its plan through the state like the proverbial bull in a China closet.”

We would like to go on record as a company who has had a very positive experience with all of the people at TransCanada. We have been attending public forums, soliciting information from the company, and working out electric energy service agreements with this company for the last 18 months. Without exception, they have always been forthcoming with any information we have needed, and they have been understanding about the issues associated with bringing large power requirements to the sites of their various pumping stations.

Our cooperative is a business which will benefit substantially when the Keystone Pipeline Project is complete. We are fortunate to be in the position to serve the electrical needs of three of the five pumping stations in North Dakota. These pumping stations have very large electric power requirements. As Public Service Commissioners, I don't need to explain to you the benefit to our utility when we can spread our fixed operating costs over more kilowatt-hour sales. In essence, it translates into lower electric rates for all of our member/owners in northeastern North Dakota. I recently wrote in our internal newsletter that nothing has had this level of impact on our energy sales since the Grand Forks Air Force Base was built in the mid 1950s.

With all of this in mind, we were naturally disappointed when we read that the City of Fargo has requested to reopen the PSC public hearing process. It appears that their oversight of the process not only puts the Public Service Commission in a difficult position, but may delay all of the benefits this project will bring to the state. Among other things, the benefits of course will be in the form of energy sales, tax revenues, and construction jobs.

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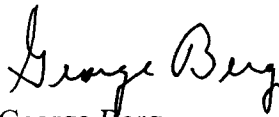
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*Nodak Electric Cooperative is dedicated to be an efficient provider of quality electric service with leadership that demonstrates the highest regard for its member/owners.*

Ms. Susan Wefald  
Mr. Kevin Cramer  
Mr. Tony Clark  
November 2, 2007  
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In summary, we want to go on record stating we think the Public Service Commission has done a good job providing opportunity for citizens to give public input into the process. We fully expect that the Public Service Commission will, as always, look out for the best interests of the citizens of North Dakota. We hope, however, the process will not be delayed unnecessarily, and we will begin to reap the benefits of Keystone Pipeline as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George Berg".

George Berg  
President & CEO

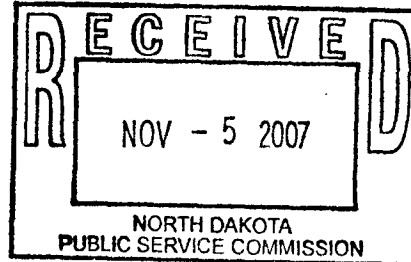
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# DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

November 2, 2007

Commissioner Kevin Cramer  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard, Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



Dear Commissioner Cramer:

I am writing on behalf of Dakota Valley Electric Cooperative to express concern regarding the Public Service Commission's consideration to reopen, in response to a request from the City of Fargo, the hearing records for the TransCanada Keystone Oil Pipeline Project.


Dakota Valley provides electrical service to rural cooperative customers in Sargent County as well as all or parts of seven other counties in southeast North Dakota. The proposed Keystone pipeline route extends through part of our service territory in Sargent County, and Dakota Valley will provide electric service to a pipeline pumping station planned for a location between and south of the towns of Ludden and Brampton.

We have been working with TransCanada for the last year on service agreement details and preliminary preparation for the significant amount of electric transmission facilities we need to construct in order to provide our electric service. At this stage of the project, we are moving ahead with inter-connection agreements, landowner meetings associated with transmission line easements, and proposals to purchase long-lead time equipment. As you may understand, this work has to be accomplished now in order for us to take advantage of the 2008 summer and fall construction season.

While we respect the interests of the City of Fargo and do not wish to minimize their issues, we are concerned that reopening the public process will bring delays to the project to the extent we miss much of the construction season advantage and endure additional expense from delays and off-season construction.

We have found TransCanada to be open and forthcoming with their information, both at public meetings held months ago at numerous locations and in other discussion with us. We

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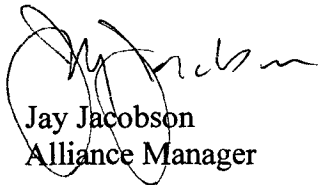
Commissioner Cramer  
November 2, 2007  
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appreciated the Public Service Commission's earlier public process review of the project, and question whether additional benefit will be derived through a reopening of that process.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns

Sincerely,

DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE



Jay Jacobson  
Alliance Manager

Cc: Commissioner Susan Wefald  
Commissioner Tony Clark

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 10:29 AM  
**To:** 'Greg Goodman'  
**Cc:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** RE: Keystone Pipeline

Dear Mr. Goodman – thank you so much for taking the time to write to the Commission with your thoughts on the Keystone Pipeline. Your letter will be placed in the public input file for the Keystone Case.  
Best Wishes, Commissioner Susan Wefald  
President, North Dakota Public Service Commission

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**From:** Greg Goodman [mailto:gregg@choicefinancialgroup.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 10:06 AM  
**To:** Cramer, Kevin; Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.  
**Subject:**

Dear President Wefald, Commissioner Cramer, and Commissioner Clark:

I am contacting you this morning in support of the Keystone Pipeline Project. I understand that you have an important meeting this afternoon regarding the status of Keystone's approval from your agency.

As you are aware, Cavalier County has had a tremendous year in terms of economic activity. The driving force behind this activity is due in large part to the Langdon Wind, LLC project headed by Florida Power and Light, with partners Ottertail Power and Minnkota Power. Your agency did an excellent job in the approval of this project. I cannot begin to describe to you the benefits that this project has had on our community. The county will recognize a significant increase in their annual budget (income) and the landowners are being compensated. The amount of money flowing through our community right now is similar to that of the early 1970's, when the ABM site was being constructed in Nekoma. The jobs generated, along with growth in our retail and industrial sectors, are a residual effect of this project.

The Keystone Pipeline will have a similar effect to that of the wind project. It will allow our country to efficiently import oil from a friendly neighbor, rather than a distant foe. I understand that Cavalier County will recognize annual tax revenue of \$200,000 to \$250,000, with the state number between \$7-9.5 million. The jobs created throughout the state in the construction phase and beyond will benefit the 8 counties involved in the Keystone Project. I would expect that the other 7 counties will have a chance to experience the economic activity that our community has had via the wind project this year. From the local café, gas stations, motels, hospitals, to the welding shops, hardware stores, and grocery stores, the boost to the local economy is quite significant.

Fargo has had every opportunity to review and voice their concerns about the project. They had equal time that our community had to attend the meetings and develop their stance on the project. I cannot support giving their leadership special privileges due to their lack of foresight.

Again, thank you for your work earlier this year with the wind project and also for your work in our community on the Keystone Pipeline. I hope we will be able to benefit as a community and a state from both of them.

Thank you for your time.

Gregory G. Goodman  
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Choice Financial  
210 8<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Langdon, ND 58249  
701-256-2141

**Rafferty, Tom D.**

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 9:17 AM  
**To:** 'Hetty Walker'  
**Cc:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** RE: pipeline.

Dear Hetty – Thank you so much for your letter regarding the Keystone Pipeline. It will be placed in the public input file for the Keystone Pipeline Case.

Best Wishes, Commissioner Susan Wefald  
President, North Dakota Public Service Commission

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**From:** Hetty Walker [mailto:hwalker@polarcomm.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 9:06 AM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Subject:** pipeline.

Susan Wefald;

I am writing personally to ask you to continue work as scheduled on the pipeline, I am confident of the construction plans and delay will only add to the expense and time line of construction. . A lot of times problems are related to uncertainty . Uncertainty creates apprehension .And the way to alleviate apprehension is through communication. Communication with you and your committee has been outstanding!

I want to take this time to thank you for all you do and improve our economical outlook.

Hetty Walker

Pembina County commissioner District 1

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## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 9:32 AM  
**To:** 'Chalmer Dettler'  
**Cc:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** RE: Re-opening of Keystone Pipeline Hearings  
**Attachments:** image001.gif

Dear Chalmer, Thank you so much for your letter. It will be placed in the public input file for the Keystone Pipeline Case.  
Best wishes,  
Commissioner Susan Wefald  
President, ND Public Service Commission

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**From:** Chalmer Dettler [mailto:[cdmfbank@utma.com](mailto:cdmfbank@utma.com)]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 9:23 AM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Cc:** Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin  
**Subject:** Re-opening of Keystone Pipeline Hearings

Dear Public Service Commissioners,

It is my understanding that you will be meeting this afternoon to discuss the possibility of further delaying the Keystone Pipeline Project. I also understand that the main reason for considering a further delay is that the City of Fargo has expressed concerns about the safety of its drinking water supply.

It is my further understanding that safety and environmental issues have been addressed by the appropriate government agencies, and that the City of Fargo had the opportunity to express their concerns at earlier hearings.

There is no need to remind you of the economic and other benefits that the pipeline will provide for the state of North Dakota. If the safety and environmental issues have already been satisfactorily addressed, there is no reason to re-open the hearings, and I would urge you to proceed with approval of the project, without any further delays.

**CHALMER DETTLER, PRESIDENT**  
**FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK**  
816 Third Street, Langdon, ND 58249  
701-256-5431                      701-256-3838 (FAX)



## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Clark, Tony T.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 7:15 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: Keystone Pipeline

for public input

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**From:** JAY [mailto:gellner@utma.com]  
**Sent:** Sun 11/4/2007 6:42 PM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin  
**Subject:** Keystone Pipeline

Greetings

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Crude oil prices are at an all time high over Ninety dollars per barrel. An unheard of price even a year ago.

North Dakota will receive between \$7,6050,000. and \$9,385,000. per year in tax revenue.

The Keystone Project is supported by the North Dakota Industrial Commission and the North Dakota Pipeline Authority.

We strongly urge your committee to close the hearings at this time and approve this project which will be good for all America!

Cavalier Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Duane L. Otto, Manager

## Rafferty, Tom D.

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**From:** Wefald, Susan E.  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2007 8:53 AM  
**To:** 'JAY'  
**Cc:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** RE: Keystone Pipeline

Duane – Thank you for your letter on the Keystone Pipeline. It will be placed in our public input file for the Keystone Case.

Best Wishes, Commissioner Susan Wefald

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**From:** JAY [mailto:gellner@utma.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 04, 2007 6:42 PM  
**To:** Wefald, Susan E.; Clark, Tony T.; Cramer, Kevin  
**Subject:** Keystone Pipeline

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**From:** Fahn, Patrick J.  
**Sent:** Friday, November 02, 2007 8:18 AM  
**To:** Rafferty, Tom D.  
**Subject:** FW: keystone-fargo-grandforks, ect.

Public input

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

From: [corey.bergsrud@und.nodak.edu](mailto:corey.bergsrud@und.nodak.edu) [mailto:[corey.bergsrud@und.nodak.edu](mailto:corey.bergsrud@und.nodak.edu)]  
Sent: Friday, October 26, 2007 2:44 PM  
To: Fahn, Patrick J.  
Cc: [corey.bergsrud@und.nodak.edu](mailto:corey.bergsrud@und.nodak.edu)  
Subject: keystone-fargo-grandforks, ect.

Dear Pat Fahn,

The city of Fargo is right in doing this caution. If it were up to me I would have the keystone members go to fargo and to grandforks and every other place in ND, to each citizens house and notify them that if this pipeline is built, the peoples dependent water sources could suffer contamination. So one could not drink from there dependent water no more for some time if a disaster does happen. The key idea is that it only takes one disaster and then many cities of ND could be out of water since so many depend on the sheynne and the red.

If this pipeline is built and there is an accident, who is going to bring these people water...certainly not keystone...so ND would have to figure out what to do to get clean drinking water to the majority of the population of the state...this is peoples water we are risking...there is something wrong with this picture...and if this pipeline is oked, then the future is not bright for ND since we always have to have a lingering factor of contaminating the very necessity of life; water.

Please lets have common sense here, for this is all this is about...  
thank you for your time  
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