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Mr. Lawrence Bender
Fredrikson & Byron, PA
200 N 3rd St, Suite 150
Bismarck ND 58501-3879

Re: Hawthorn Oil Transportation (North Dakota), Inc.
8-inch Crude Oil Pipeline – Mountrail County
Siting Application
Case No. PU-09-153

Dear Mr. Bender:

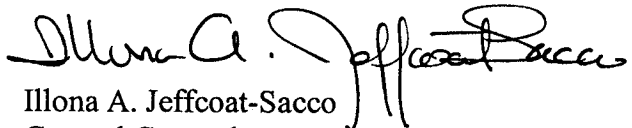
The hearing in the captioned case is scheduled for **Monday, November 30, 2009, at 12:00 noon CT, at the Mountrail County Court House Community Room, 101 North Main Street, Stanley, North Dakota.** The Commission will electronically record the hearing.

If parties would like a court reporter present at the hearing they may do so, and may make their own arrangements. If you choose to make arrangements for a court-reporting service, please notify the Commission with that decision at least two weeks prior to the hearing.

If parties would like the Commission to arrange for a court reporter, please notify the Commission in writing at least two weeks prior to the hearing and our office will make the necessary arrangements. However, even if we arrange for the court reporter service, parties will pay all costs associated with the service.

If you have any questions, please contact us. Thank you.

Best regards,


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General Counsel