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January 7, 2022

Darren Snow
Director, Gathering Operations-NGP
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RE: Project: BakkenLink Pipeline LLC Tree and Shrub Mitigation (Case No. PU-10-218)

Dear Mr. Snow:

On March 13, 2020, I sent a letter to you summarizing an agreement regarding tree and shrub monitoring for the Project enumerated above. A copy of the letter is enclosed.

The letter states that Marathon would not continue to make additional plantings but would file a report to the Commission updating counts for trees and shrubs surviving in the fall of 2021.

Commission Staff asks that BakkenLink Pipeline LLC respond to this letter in writing stating the status of the fall 2021 tree and shrub survival inspection and written report by January 21, 2022.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick Fahn".

Patrick Fahn
Director, Public Utilities Division
701-328-4077



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March 13, 2020

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RE: BakkenLink Pipeline LLC Tree and Shrub Mitigation (Case No. PU-10-218)

Dear Mr. Snow:

Your September 13, 2019 letter provided the 2019 updated counts for trees and shrubs that are surviving from past years' plantings. Marathon requests, due to the total number of trees and shrubs planted and the number of trees and shrubs surviving in 2019, that the tree and shrub mitigation be deemed complete and closed out.

After brief communication, you and I agreed that, since 43.1 percent of the trees and shrubs were planted in 2018 and the plantings were only one year old in 2019, Marathon will not make additional plantings, but will report to the Commission updated counts for trees and shrubs surviving in the fall of 2021.

Best regards

Patrick Fahn
Director, Public Utilities Division

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Letter to Marathon Petroleum Logistics regarding
tree and shrub mitigation