

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**
Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota)
LLC

Bakken Pipeline Project US – Ward & Burke Counties
Siting Application

Case No. PU-10-612

NOTICE OF FILINGS, NOTICE OF INFORMAL HEARING AND NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING
August 3, 2011

The North Dakota Public Service Commission's (Commission) May 5, 2011 Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order issued, to Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota), LLC (Enbridge), a Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and a Route Permit for the construction of the Bakken Pipeline Project US located in Burke and Ward Counties, North Dakota. The Bakken Pipeline Project consists of approximately 11 miles of 12-inch crude oil pipeline, a new pumping station located near Kenaston, a new pump station near Lignite and station modifications at the existing Berthold Pump Station.

On June 29, 2011, Enbridge filed a request for route deviations in Section 3, Township 162N, Range 92W and in Section 34, Township 162N, Range 92W, all located in Burke County, North Dakota. On July 29, 2011, Enbridge filed an application for an amended certificate of corridor compatibility, an amended route permit, and application for waivers of procedures and time schedules. The corridor and route changes are requested to avoid impacts to three wetlands. The proposed deviations are

shown on the attached map.

In its application for waivers of procedures and time schedules, Enbridge requests that the Commission waive the following:

- Procedures that require separate filings of applications for a certificate of corridor compatibility and a route permit,
- Procedures that require separate notices of such applications,
- Procedures that require separate hearings on such applications,
- Procedures that require a public hearing on an application for a certificate of corridor compatibility,
- Procedures that require a public hearing on an application for a route permit.

The issues to be considered in Enbridge's application for waiver of procedures and time schedules are:

1. Are the proposed facilities of such length, design, location, or purpose that they will produce minimal adverse effects and that adherence to applicable procedures and time schedules may be waived?
2. Is it appropriate for the Commission to waive any procedures and time schedules as requested in the application?

The issues to be considered in Enbridge's applications for amended certificate of corridor compatibility and amended route permit are:

1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental

preservation and the efficient use of resources?

3. Will the proposed facility locations minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

Those interested are invited to comment on the applications in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. Comments and requests for hearing must be received by September 6, 2011. If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.

An Informal Hearing of this matter is scheduled to begin on August 24, 2011, at 2:30 p.m. CDT in the Commission Hearing Room on the 12th floor of the State Capitol. At the informal hearing, the Commission will discuss this matter with the parties and interested members of the public.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Kevin Cramer, Commissioner
Tony Clark, Chairman
Brian P. Kalk, Commissioner

August 10, 2011

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