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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Tony Clark, Chairman
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard, Department 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Case No. PU-10-613
Enbridge Pipeline (North Dakota) LLC
Beaver Lodge Project
Williams, Mountrail & Ward Counties

Dear Chairman Clark:

At the Public Service Commission (PSC) meeting held January 20, 2011 at 10 a.m. at the City Hall Auditorium, 5 3rd Avenue NE, Kenmare, North Dakota regarding the above referenced case, Enbridge was directed by the PSC to meet with representatives from Mountrail County to discuss, evaluate and determine the best route for pipeline taking into consideration the construction occurring in the vicinity, development in the area and future development in the area. A meeting was held Wednesday, March 16, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the Mountrail County Ag Building, 6160 Highway 8, Stanley, ND. Present for this meeting was David J. Hynek, Chairman, Mountrail County Commission; Wade Enget, Mountrail County State's Attorney and City Attorney for Stanley; Donald Longmuir, Mountrail County Planner; Dan Brosz and Zachary Gaaskjolen, Brosz Engineering; Mike Hynek, Mayor of Stanley; Steve Ike, Ameritech Engineering, Stanley's City Engineer; Ward Heidbreder, Stanley City Coordinator; Derald Hoover, Chairman, Idaho Township; Curtis Hemstad, Idaho Township Clerk; Doug Aller, Manager Land & ROW Projects (US), Enbridge; Jack Riley, Lands & ROW, Enbridge; Timothy J. Byrnes, Survey/CAD Coordinator, Engineering & Construction Major Projects, Enbridge; and Dave Hodek, Pipeline Engineer, Enbridge.

Mayor Hynek and Steve Ike outlined the construction happening in the area, what the City's future plans are for the area and the detrimental effect the pipeline will have on the future development of the area. The location of this pipeline hinders the infrastructure improvements (water, sewer and streets) contemplated by the City. It further limits the development of a frontage road in the area as future commercial/industrial lots are platted and sold. The proposed location of the Enbridge Pipeline would create a permanent 45 foot "no-build" easement on land abutting the public roadway, which could have a the effect on keeping truck traffic from flowing to the South of the City proper. The City does not feel this is the best location for this pipeline and encouraged Enbridge to consider locating the pipeline South of the City reservoir. In that the location of the Enbridge Pipeline would negatively impact the City and its residents, the City opposes Enbridge's request.

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Derald Hoover expressed the Township's concern on how this pipeline would affect the current plan of widening of the township road for the development of a truck by-pass. The Township is in the process of acquiring additional right of way and Brosz Engineering has been working on the road design with construction to begin this construction season. The proposed location of the pipeline has a negative effect on the development of this truck bypass road and is not in the best interest of the citizens of Idaho Township.

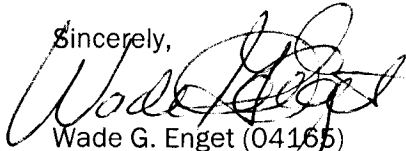
Dan Brosz and Zachary Gaaskjolen from Brosz Engineering reviewed the County Fair Building Project, which is presently under construction and is located adjacent to the proposed pipeline. The proposed pipeline limits further development in the area. Mr. Brosz discussed the traffic and number of people who would be using the fair building for the many different events that will take place at the facility. Mr. Brosz pointed out the County Commissioners have also committed to the building of a new County shop building, which is currently in the design stage. It is anticipated that the bid letting will be held in late spring with construction to begin in 2011.

Donald Longmuir, County Planner, stated the best location for this pipeline would be south of the City reservoir and the current location is not in the best interest of the citizens of Mountrail County.

Doug Aller, Enbridge explained the proposed route is in the best interest of Enbridge. To move the pipe line South of the reservoir would require a new environmental study, crossing the Little Knife river twice and bending the pipe back north to bring it to the current facility incurring additional costs. Even though construction on the pipeline would not take place until 2012, Enbridge officials stated that they would not be intending to move the proposed location of the pipeline.

David Hynek ended the meeting by stating that he, as Chairman of the Mountrail County Commission, was extremely disappointed with Enbridge's decision to stay with their planned route and not consider an alternative route. Commissioner Hynek felt that Enbridge did not consider the concerns of Mountrail County, the City of Stanley and Idaho Township. All of these governmental agencies stated on the record that they oppose the proposed Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC Beaver Lodge Loop Project as it relates to sections 31 and 32, Township 156 North, Range 91 West.

Sincerely,



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