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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation Crude Oil Pipeline - Billings and Stark Counties Siting Application Case No. PU-11-102 OAH File No. 20110326 NOTICE OF FILINGS AND NOTICE OF HEARING August 30, 2011

On July 11, 2011, Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation (Whiting) filed an application for a certificate of corridor compatibility and an application for a route permit to authorize the construction and operation of 6.8 miles of 8-inch crude oil pipeline located 6 miles northeast of Belfield, in Billings and Stark Counties, North Dakota. The project is shown on the attached map.

Whiting also filed an application for waivers of procedures and time schedules including:

- 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.

The Commission finds the applications are complete. A Public Hearing on the applications is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. (Mountain time) (11:00 a.m. Central time) on October 10, 2011 at the City Hall, 107 Second Avenue Northeast, Belfield, North Dakota.

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

- 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 Whiting's applications for certificate of corridor compatibility and route permit:

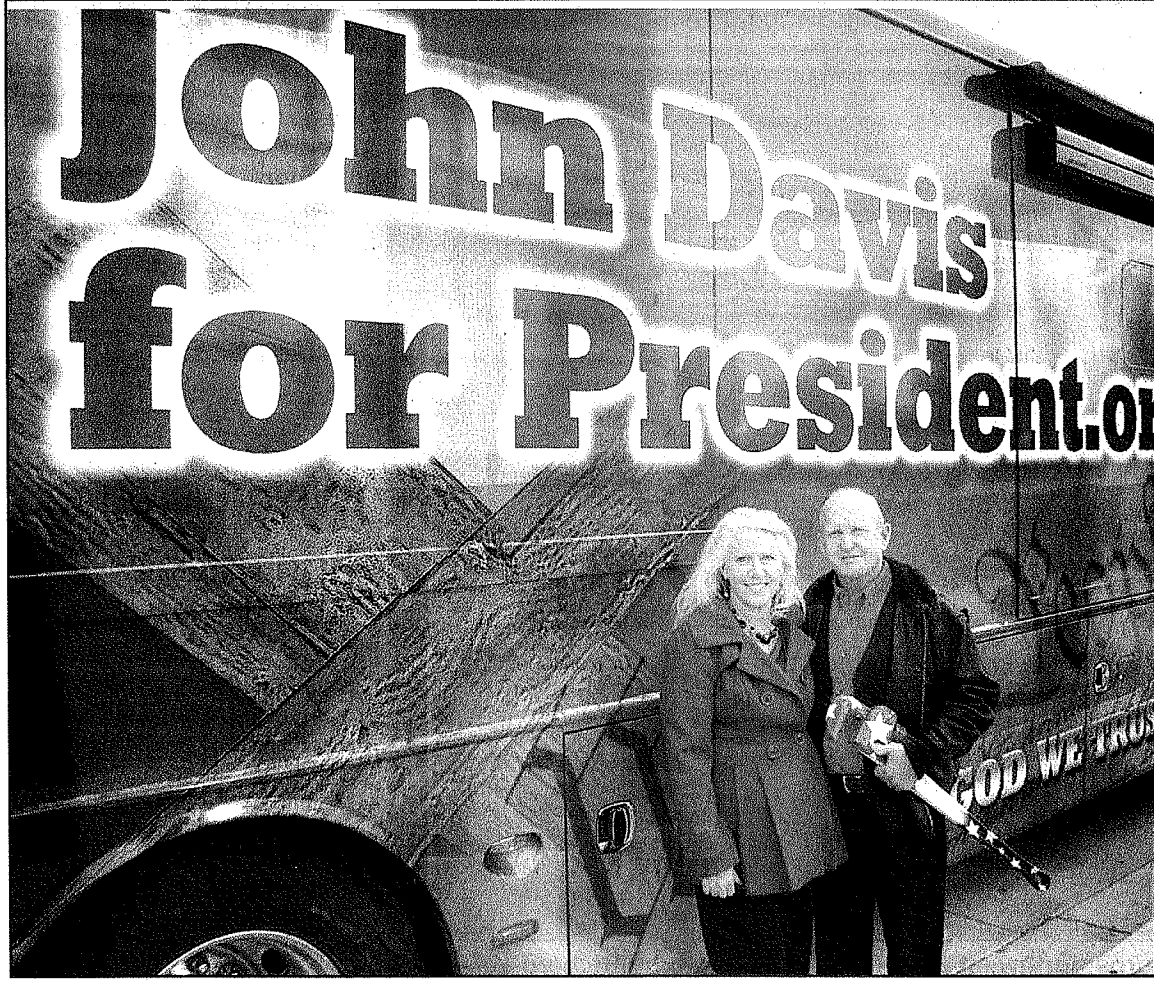
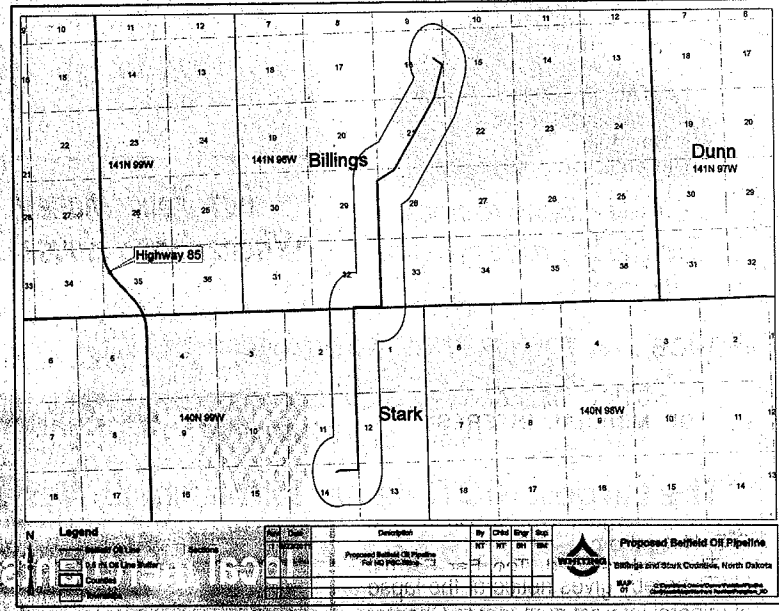
- 1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. 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?

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.

State of North Dakota Public Service Commission By: Allen C. Hoberg Administrative Law Judge Office of Administrative Hearings 2911 North 14th Street - Suite 303 Bismarck, North Dakota 58503 Telephone: (701) 328-3200

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT NOTIFICATION: A party shall promptly notify the Public Service Commission in writing if the party has a disability which will require auxiliary aids or services at the hearing so that the Public Service Commission can make appropriate accommodation prior to the hearing. Any request for an interpreter at the hearing must also be made in writing to the Public Service Commission. Any request for aids, services, or an interpreter should be as specific as possible about what is required by the party. Also, please send a copy of the notice or request to the administrative law judge.

(October 6)



Candidate John Davis poses near his campaign bus. Identification for the woman was available by the press deadline. (Courtesy Photo)

Presidential candidate to tour area

By News/Pioneer Staff

John Davis of Grand Junction, Colo., has been called a "low profile presidential candidate." Some have called him the Republican presidential "dark-horse," and a "long shot."

Davis is not discouraged by his low profile and not being mentioned in any of the polls at this time. But he says he's been offered encouragement everywhere he goes.

"I'm okay with not being in the typical media/political dog fight. I'd rather be on the road listening to what the people have to say," he

said. He's planning the following stops with his bus in the area: - Amidon, Oct. 13, 11:11 a.m. - Medora, Oct. 13, 12:27 p.m. - Beach, Oct. 13, 1:37 p.m. - Wibaux, Mont., Oct. 13, 2:14 p.m.

The exact locations of this stops within the towns hasn't yet been determined.

"They want a common-sense guy," Davis said. "A lot of people don't want a career politician in office. They want a leader that will

make the tough decisions." Davis' VoterCade tour plan is to visit all 3,143 counties in the United States. He has visited with thousands of people with over 4,000 miles on the road in 1,152 counties of 32 states. "I'm putting my word to hold to be of service to my country. It is my responsibility to do that. We're spreading the seeds and it's starting to grow," he said.

For more information, and to see the schedule, visit his Web site at www.johndavisforpresident.org

Conrad offering intern opportunities

Washington - Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., says he is accepting applications for his Spring 2012 Public Service Internship Program.

Individuals interested in public affairs, political science and constituent service must apply by Oct. 15 for the opportunity to work in his Washington, D.C., and North Dakota offices.

"My internship program offers students and professionals an opportunity to learn about the value of public service and get an up-close view of constituent services and the role of the federal government," Conrad said. "These individuals have a chance to serve North Dakota and their nation."

Each year, Conrad selects North Dakotans who demonstrate excellence in academics, community service and leadership to work in his state and Capitol Hill offices. A successful candidate will work on legislative research projects, aid in constituent questions or concerns, and assist the Senator's staff with various office tasks.

The senator has offices in

Bismarck, Minot, Grand Forks and Fargo. In addition to real experience, each successful intern will receive a stipend, travel time and part-time position available, and consideration made to accommodate schedules. To learn more about Conrad's Internship Program, visit www.kentconrad.senate.gov, or contact Jolene Garty at (701) 232-8000.



From left to right are: Chance Erickson, Jacoby Mattern, Pacyn Partridge, Logan Sime, Cole Erickson, Talon Hoffer, Jhett Farstveet; Clay Mattern, Jared Wojahn, Brannon Davidson, Hunter Erhart, Gage Swanson, Ty VanHorn, Riley Frieze, Colton Steen; coach Ryan Nunberg, Bailey Frieze, Gunnar Farstveet, Mason Muruato, John Summers, Josiah Orluck, Brandon Schulte, Trevor Losinski, coach Don Wojahn. Not pictured: Evan Latham, Erik Maychrzak and Noah Adams. (Courtesy Photo by Kim Nunberg)

Little Bucs team wins second place

By Richard Volesky Editor/Reporter

The first-ever fifth/sixth grade tackle football team, the Beach Little Bucs, played in the Dickinson

championship game, and was unable to play for the rest of the game. "Josiah Orluck stepped in - filled in several key positions and kept us going forward," said

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