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NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

February 25, 2022

Steve Kahl
Executive Director NDPSC
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: *North Dakota Public Service Commission Notice of Noncompliance to Basin
Transload LLC in NDPSC Case No and PU-12-775*

Mr. Kahl:

I have been retained to represent Basin Transload LLC in connection with a Notice of Noncompliance issued on February 8, 2022 by the North Dakota Public Service Commission (“NDPSC”) in file and PU-12-775. The Notice of Noncompliance contained a deadline of February 25, 2022 for response. I write with the Response of Basin Transload LLC.

Background Timeline

The Stampede Tie-In Pipeline (NDPSC Case No. PU-12-775) is located in Burke County, North Dakota and connects the Tesoro High Plains Pipeline to a tank at the Stampede Rail Facility.

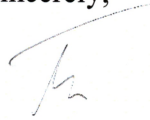
- September 17, 2012: Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit sought from NDPSC by Basin Transload LLC. (PU-12-775, Dk. 1).
- January 16, 2013: Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit granted by NDPSC. (PU-12-775, Dk. 43).
- May 6, 2014: Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit transferred to Tesoro High Plains Pipeline Company LLC. (PU-13-734, Dk. 20).

The Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit for this pipeline was transferred by the NDPSC to Tesoro High Plains Pipeline Company LLC (“THPPC”) in 2014. As such, Notices of Noncompliance should be directed to THPPC or its successor.

Nevertheless, Basin Transload LLC is currently coordinating with THPPC to support a response to the NDPSC on this issue and facilitate resolution of these matters. This coordination is active and ongoing and Basin Transload LLC expects THPPC (or its successor) to respond directly to the NDPSC in regard to the substantive matters raised in this pending Notice of Noncompliance within thirty (30) days.

If Basin Transload LLC can be of further assistance to the NDPSC in the matter, we are available to discuss with NDPSC Staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Purdon', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right above the name.

Timothy Q. Purdon