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Public Service Commission
600 E Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: Enbridge Sandpiper Pipeline PU-13-848

Gentlemen:

I am opposed to the pipeline route for several reasons.

This pipeline is expected to carry 225,000 barrels of oil per day. This translates into nearly 10 million gallons per day and will be the largest pipeline in the history of the state.

Please consider these points when making your decision regarding the siting of the pipeline.

1. Enbridge, (the company) already has a right-of-way through the county.
2. The company has not provided adequate reasoning as to why they diverted from the original right-of-way.
3. The company told me the pipeline would be buried only 48 inches under the surface, and I have been told at times it could be shallower. It would be prudent to bury anything of this size much deeper. *Easement stated 36"*
4. The company proposed to locate the pipeline under the river. Pipeline bridges should be used. During the spring thaw and subsequent run off, the river will scour the bottom making the channel extra deep. This will expose the pipeline. Suspended debris such as water laden cottonwood trees and other hazards would strike the pipeline and damage it. This is particularly critical in flood years. Even a small leak would be catastrophic to the city of Grand Forks because it would pollute their water supply.

Due to deviating away from their existing right-of-way, the company is proposing to traverse my land located in section 15 of Walle Township. I have attached a copy for your reference. It is on page 252 of the siting document or map 120 of 121. In my opinion, the company has not adequately surveyed alternative routes to avoid my property and other properties along the route east of Interstate 29.

In the quarter section that I own, the company has proposed making four turns which would occur within one half mile.

1. The route does not follow any property line or other logical right-of-way such as a road. It zigzags in an effort to avoid a home. It does not take into consideration properties that would be future home sites. The pipeline will severely damage the value of those properties.
2. The sections, north of the property mentioned above, do not have any homes or home sites for more than 2 miles west of the point at which the proposed pipeline turns north. Use of these

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sections, 9, 10, 11, and 12 would be more logical. It also reduces the number of turns the pipeline would require.

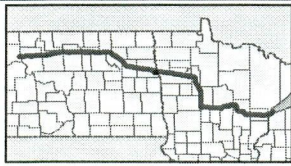
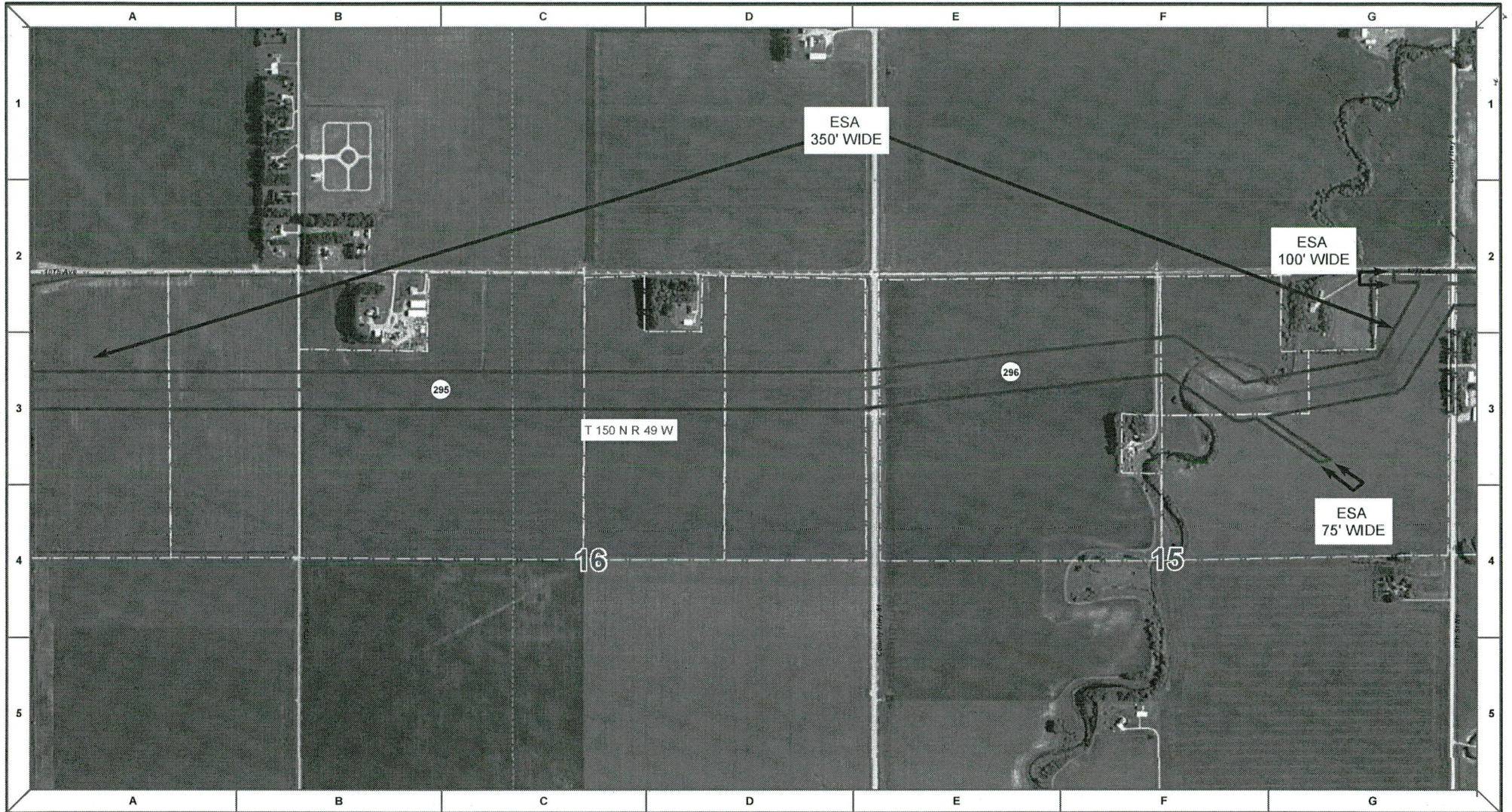
3. In a few years, due to the zigzag, no one will be able to determine the exact location of the pipeline because directional changes cannot be marked in the middle of the field. A farmer with a stuck tractor will most likely use a bulldozer to dig out the tractor. Imagine if the tractor is over the pipeline. The farmer is not likely to wait several hours, or days, for a locator to be dispatched when he is trying to get his crop planted or harvested. A stuck tractor is not uncommon in this area.
4. The pipeline is situated to cross the river at a point north of my property. It is illogical to situate the pipeline so far south just to turn north to cross the river. Again, the original right-of-way should be used.

If you have any questions or concerns; please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Scott Salmonson". The signature is written in dark ink and has a fluid, connected style.

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- Proposed Pipeline - Sandpiper
- Existing Enbridge Pipelines
- Foreign Pipes
- Transmission Lines
- SPREAD BREAK
- Milepost - Sandpiper
- Potential Block Valve
- Environmental Survey Area (ESA)
- Tract Boundary
- Facility Boundary
- Section Lines

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ENBRIDGE PIPELINES (NORTH DAKOTA) LLC
PROPOSED SANDPIPER PIPELINE PROJECT
ROUTE MAP
Grand Forks County, ND
 DRAWN: MLB CHECKED: -
 DATE: Oct 16, 2012 SCALE: AS SHOWN
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