

September 30, 2015

**Via US Mail**

Mr. Darrell Nitschke  
Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



In re: Belle Fourche Pipeline Company  
Tree and Shrub Inventory Report  
Case No.: PU-14-135

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Please find enclosed a copy of the Tree and Shrub Inventory Report completed for the Belle Fourche Pipeline 10-inch crude oil pipeline in Billings, Dunn, and Stark Counties.

You will note that no trees or shrubs were removed during the construction of the pipeline.

As always, Keitu appreciates the opportunity to assist our client and the regulatory agencies with compliance. If you have any questions, please let me know. I can be reached at (701) 667-1800 or via email at [kbecker@keitu.com](mailto:kbecker@keitu.com).



Karine Becker  
Project Manager

*Enclosure:* Tree and Shrub Inventory Report

cc: John Morrison / Crowley Fleck PLLP (Electronic)  
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April 29, 2015

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via Electronic Mail

**Tree and Shrub Inventory**  
**10-inch Crude Oil Loop Pipeline - Billings, Dunn, and Stark Counties**

Per your request, Keitu Engineers & Consultants, Inc. (Keitu) performed a tree and shrub removal inventory for the 20-mile long, 10-inch Crude Oil Loop Pipeline project (Project). Keitu inventoried trees and shrubs both pre- and post-construction in windbreaks, shelterbelts and all other wooded areas to be potentially affected by the project right-of-way (ROW) and temporary workspaces.

Tree and Shrub Mitigation Specifications require the inventory of woody plants anticipated to be cleared within woodlots as follows: all native trees of one-inch diameter at breast height and greater; windbreaks, shelterbelts and other planted areas; shrubs anticipated to be cleared within the permanent ROW; and shrubs anticipated to be cleared in areas where topsoil would not be preserved and replaced.

Dirk Churchill and Joshua Swann of Keitu completed the work between September 2013 and April 2015. Trees and shrubs were identified to genus and species and tallied. Along the Project route, a constant 75 foot corridor was surveyed and trees and shrubs were identified to genus and species and tallied. A total of 3 individual tree species were identified to be "at risk" for removal. Post-construction survey confirmed no tree nor any shrub species were removed during the construction of the Project.

**Table 1: Tree and Shrub Species Inventoried**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Number Inventoried
Elm, Siberian	<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>3</b>

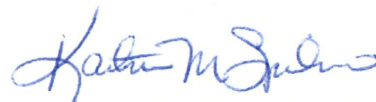
**Table 2: Tree and Shrub Species Removed**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Number Removed
Elm, Siberian	<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>0</b>

Keitu appreciates the opportunity to work with you on this project.



Scott (Dirk) Churchill  
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 Keitu Engineers & Consultants, Inc.



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