

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Belle Fourche Pipeline Company
10-Inch Crude Oil Pipeline – Billings, Dunn, Stark
Siting Exclusion Certification

Case No. PU-14-135

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO N.D.C.C. § 49-22.1-01(3)(a)

STATE OF WYOMING)

) ss.

AFFIDAVIT OF H.A. TAD TRUE

COUNTY OF NATRONA)

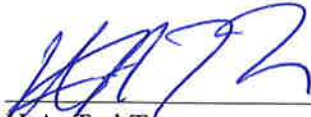
Pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 49-22.1-01(3)(a) the undersigned, H.A.Tad True, being first duly sworn, states as follows:

1. I am over the age of 18 and am competent to testify to the facts set forth below. I am the Vice-President of Belle Fourche Pipeline Company (“Belle Fourche”), with the authority to bind Belle Fourche to the following. I make this statement and certification in my capacity as an authorized representative of Belle Fourche and represent the following to be true.
2. In an order dated July 10, 2014, in Case No. PU-14-135 (“Order”), the North Dakota Public Service Commission (“Commission”) approved the issuance of Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 156 and Route Permit No. 168 to Belle Fourche for the construction of a 20-mile, 10-inch crude oil pipeline in Billings, Dunn, and Stark Counties (the “Project”). The Project originates at Belle Fourche’s Skunk Hill Station in southeast Billings County and extends to the Bakken Oil Express (“BOE”) rail facility located west of Dickinson. The Project has a capacity of up to 100,000 barrels per day.
3. Belle Fourche hereby provides the Commission with written notice of its intent to improve the Project pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 49-22.1-01(3)(a).
4. On December 17, 2018, in Case No. PU-18-405, Belle Fourche filed a Consolidated Application for Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit, for the conversion from a gathering to transmission function of an existing 18-mile, six-inch crude oil pipeline, known as the Skunk Hill to DPR Pipeline (the “Skunk Hill Pipeline”) located in Stark, Dunn, and Billings Counties, North Dakota. Similar to the Project, the Skunk Hill Pipeline also originates at the Skunk Hill Station and is co-located with the Project along the segment of the Project that extends from Skunk Hill Station to Dickinson Station. In accordance with the Notice of Intent to Amend that has been filed in PU-18-405 (Docket No. 60), Belle Fourche intends to decommission the 14-mile segment of the Skunk Hill Pipeline between the Skunk Hill Station and the Dickinson Station. Volumes that were originally directed to flow across this 14-mile segment of the Skunk Hill Pipeline would

be re-directed to the Project for transport to Dickinson Station. Once volumes reach Dickinson Station, volumes from the Project would continue to be directed to BOE. A tee, valve, and meter would be installed on the Project within its certificated corridor at the Dickinson Station (the "Improvements") so that volumes can also be directed to the existing and remaining four-mile segment of the Skunk Hill Pipeline that extends from Dickinson Station to Dickinson Refinery (f.k.a. Dakota Prairie Refining). An application amendment further explaining the decommissioning activities related to the Skunk Hill Pipeline will be filed under separate cover in PU-18-405.

5. The redirection of volumes that originally flowed on the 14-mile segment of the Skunk Hill Pipeline to the Project will not increase the Project's capacity. Volumes transported by the Project will remain under 100,000 bpd as referenced in the Project's Order.
6. Activities for installation of the Improvements will occur wholly within the Commission's approved Project corridor, for which Belle Fourche previously obtained a site certificate. *See* N.D.C.C. § 49-22.1-01(3)(a). *See*, Attachment 1. For reference, disturbance associated with the installation of the Improvements is minimal and will consist of above ground piping within the Project corridor that extends into the Dickinson Station.
7. The activities associated with the Improvements are for the same type of facility as approved by the Order. *See* N.D.C.C. § 49-22.1-01(3)(a)(1).
8. Pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 49-22.1-01(3)(a)(4):
 - a. Activities for installation of the Improvements will not affect a known exclusion or avoidance area;
 - b. Activities are for an improvement to an existing liquid transmission facility; and,
 - c. Belle Fourche will continue to comply with the Order and all applicable conditions and protections in siting laws and rules and Commission orders previously issued for any part of the facility.

Dated this 21st day of February, 2020.



H.A. Tad True
Vice-President
Belle Fourche Pipeline Company

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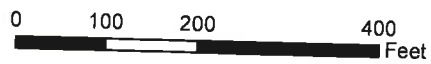
10 INCH

TEE, VALVE, METER INSTALLATION



BELLE FOURCHE PIPELINE CO
PU-14-135 10 INCH PIPELINE

- 10 INCH PIPELINE
- 250 FOOT BUFFER



MAP SIZE: 8.5" X 11" DATE: 01/31/2020 SCALE: 1:2,500
COMPILED BY JACK MURRAY

Attachment 1