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

RE: Tesoro High Plains Pipeline Company, LLC Certification Letter for Bakken Area Storage Hub (BASH) , Williams County, ND

Dear Sir:

In accordance with North Dakota Century Code 49-22-03(3) (2009), this letter is to notify the North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission) that Tesoro High Plains Pipeline Company, LLC (THPP) intends to install one (1) 300,000 barrel (net) storage tank and two (2) 160,000 barrel (net) storage tanks, multiple pumps and interconnecting piping to TESORO's existing pipeline system (See Exhibit A-2 of Corridor Certificate/Route Permit Report in attachment 1 for BASH Facility Map) The proposed site is adjacent to a previously certified site within the same property boundary.

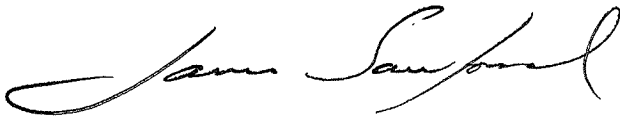
The siting exclusion certification number for the adjacent site is: PU-13-224. The current BASH facilities were authorized pursuant to North Dakota siting exclusion certification PU-13-224 for the installation of three (3) 120,000 barrel (net) storage tanks, multiple pumps and interconnecting piping to TESORO's existing pipeline system.

Tesoro certifies that the construction of these storage facilities will not affect any known exclusion or avoidance areas, as defined in North Dakota Administrative Code 69-06-08-02 (2009). Please refer to the enclosed "New Ramberg (Now known as Bakken Area Storage Hub (BASH)) Environmental Report" document prepared by KC Harvey Environmental, LLC dated May 2013 (See Exhibit B of Corridor Certificate/Route Permit Report in attachment 1). Additionally, Tesoro certifies that it will perform all work on this construction project within the rules and regulations of other agencies that have jurisdiction.

Upon your request Tesoro is willing to have a pre-construction conference regarding this project. Plans currently call for construction activities to begin December 1, 2014.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. I can be reached at 210-626-6507 for any questions or further information that may be needed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Sanford". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

James Sanford, Senior Manager  
Right of Way & Real Estate  
Tesoro Logistics GP LLC

Attachments:

1. Corridor Certificate/Route Permit Report
2. New Ramberg (Now Known as Bakken Area Storage Hub (BASH)) Environmental Report, Williams County North Dakota
3. Class III Inventory of 40 Acres for the Proposed New Ramberg Station (Now Known as Bakken Area Storage Hub (BASH)) Project, Williams County North Dakota (Class III SHPO Report)

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