

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**



Application of Meadowlark Midstream)
Company, LLC for a Certificate of Corridor)
Compatibility and Route Permit for the)
Global Stampede Pipeline, a 46 Mile Long,)
10-Inch Crude Oil Pipeline, and associated)
facilities, Divide and Burke Counties, North)
Dakota)
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Case No. _____

**APPLICATION OF MEADOWLARK MIDSTREAM COMPANY, LLC FOR A WAIVER
OR REDUCTION OF PROCEDURES AND TIME SCHEDULES
AND FOR A CORRIDOR CERTIFICATE AND ROUTE PERMIT**

Applicant Meadowlark Midstream Company, LLC (“Meadowlark”), whose address for purposes of this Application is 5910 North Central Expressway, Suite 350, Dallas, Texas 75206, pursuant to the Energy Conversion and Transmission Facility Siting Act, codified at North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-22 (“Act”), hereby submits this Application For a Waiver or Reduction of Procedures and Time Schedules and For a Corridor Certificate and Route Permit (“Application”).

Applicants request that the North Dakota Public Service Commission (“Commission”) waive and/or reduce procedures and time schedules required by the Act or in the Commission’s regulations set forth in Title 69-06 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, to accomplish the purposes as requested herein. These include, but are not limited to: (1) waive, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code §§ 49-22-07.2, 49-22-13(2), and North Dakota Administrative Code § 69-06-01-02 and Chapter 69-06-06, the provisions of North Dakota Century Code §§ 49-22-08(5),

49-22-08.1(5), 49-22-13, and North Dakota Administrative Code § 69-06-01-02 which require separate filings of such applications, separate notices of such applications, separate hearings on such applications and certain time schedules as set forth in said statutes and rules; (2) allow consolidation of the certificate of corridor compatibility application and route permit application into one application; (3) approve a corridor of one mile in width; (4) hold one consolidated public hearing on this Application; (5) find that the proposed facilities are of such design, length, location and purpose that they will produce minimal adverse affects; and (6) designate and approve the requested facilities as identified in this Application and issue the appropriate corridor certificate and route permit.

The Commission's application guidelines for waiver of procedures and time schedules require the description of the facility, the need for the facility, the cost of the facility and justification for each provision of the Act for which Applicants are requesting a waiver, together with evidence that the project will produce minimal adverse effects or that a demonstrable emergency exists. As demonstrated in this Application, and summarized below, each of Applicants' requests for waivers and/or reductions of procedures and time schedules and the issuance of a corridor certificate and route permit are justified as the proposed facilities are of such design, length, location and purpose that they will produce minimal adverse effects, and that the urgent demand for additional pipeline capacity to deliver crude oil produced in the Williston Basin of North Dakota to markets and refineries in the United States requires conversion of the existing gathering pipeline to facilitate construction of a transmission pipeline at the earliest possible date.

DESCRIPTION

Meadowlark is proposing to construct a 46 mile long, 10-inch gathering line from the Divide Pump Station (“DPS”) in Divide County, North Dakota to the Basin Transload Rail Facility (“BTRF”) near Columbus, North Dakota, in Burke County. The project will include the construction of a 400 barrel above ground tank at the BTRF.

NEED

The purpose of the Project is to transport crude oil primarily produced in Divide County, North Dakota from the DPS to the BTRF, from which location it will be further transported by rail to Albany, New York for distribution to refineries on the East Coast. The Project will provide needed capacity to deliver an average of 35,000 barrels of oil per day to BTRF where it can be shipped to locations throughout the United States.

COST

The total cost of constructing the Project is estimated at \$33 million.

JUSTIFICATION

The environmental and cultural resource studies and reports which have been commissioned by Applicants for this project demonstrate that there will be minimal adverse effects by construction. As a result, Applicants hereby submit that there is substantial justification as set forth under the Need section above for the requested waivers and/or reduction of time schedules and procedures as the Project will produce minimal adverse effects.

Applicants respectfully request the Commission to grant the requested waivers and/or reduction of procedures and time schedules; and to render an expeditious decision approving the requested corridor certificate and route permit.

Dated this 17th day of November, 2014

Respectfully submitted,

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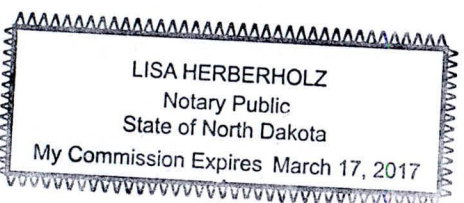
By 
JOHN W. MORRISON (#03502)


STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA)
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COUNTY OF BURLEIGH)

John W. Morrison, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says that he is the attorney for the applicant herein named, that he has read the above and foregoing application, knows the contents thereof, and that the same is true to the best of this affiant's knowledge, information, and belief.


JOHN W. MORRISON

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of November, 2014.

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LISA HERBERHOLZ
Notary Public
State of North Dakota
My Commission Expires March 17, 2017


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