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Via Hand Delivery

Mr. Victor Schock
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In re: Hess North Dakota Pipelines LLC
Hawkeye Crude Oil Pipeline Project
McKenzie and Williams Counties
Case No. PU-15-31
Our File No.: 11-024-1427

Dear Mr. Schock:

In response to your email dated February 6, 2015, requesting additional information regarding the captioned matter, please be advised that while Hess does plan to re-purpose 2.4 miles of an existing 8 inch spare pipeline crossing Lake Sakakawea to crude oil service, the 10 miles of 12-inch pipeline from the Hawkeye Oil Facility to the North Charlson Compressor Station and the 12.8 miles of 12-inch diameter pipeline from the North of River Valve Station to the Ramberg Truck Facility will be new construction.

With respect to the existing pipelines crossing Lake Sakakawea, there are three 8-inch lines which will be repurposed as part of Hess' overall project to move hydrocarbons produced south of the river to the north side of Lake Sakakawea. Line #3 is an 8-inch high pressure line that was installed as a spare line and Hess proposes to repurpose this line as a crude oil pipeline in Case No. PU 15-31. Line #4 is an 8-inch high pressure gas line which Hess proposes to repurpose as a natural gas liquids line in Case No. PU 15-32. Line #5 is an existing 8-inch high pressure gas line which is currently not in service but which will be utilized in connection with a non-jurisdictional high pressure gas gathering pipeline that will be constructed simultaneously with the crude line in Case No. PU 15-31 and the NGL line in Case No. Pu 15-32.

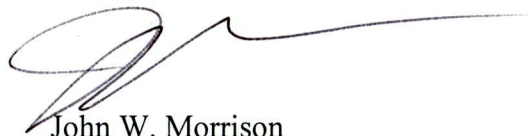
The existing spare pipeline which will be converted to crude oil service is constructed of API 5L Gr. B SMLS pipe, and is 8.625" in outside diameter with a wall thickness of 0.500". The pipeline is FBE coated and is also coated with 1' concrete over the FBE. The pipe was

conventionally laid in a ditch, backfilled and partially naturally backfilled. The ditch depth was between 5 and 6 feet.

The pipeline was permitted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Hess is in the process of compiling copies of all existing permits. We will provide those to the Commission prior to any hearing in this matter. Additionally, the Bureau of Land Management is in the process of completing an environmental assessment in connection with the issuance of a right of way for the crude oil and natural gas lines. The Corps of Engineers is participating as a cooperating agency in that process.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John W. Morrison', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John W. Morrison

cc: Lacey Carver (via email)