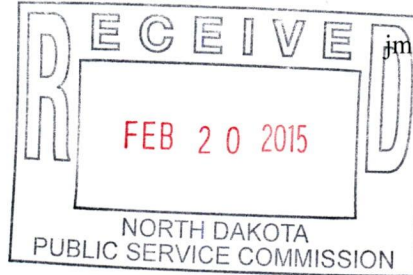


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Via Hand Delivery

Mr. Victor Schock
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In re: Hess North Dakota Pipelines LLC
Hawkeye NGL Pipeline Project
McKenzie and Williams Counties
Case No. PU-15-32
Our File No.: 11-024-1427

Dear Mr. Schock:

In response to your email dated February 10, 2015, requesting additional information regarding the captioned matter, please be note the following:

- Hess's current estimated timetable is as follows:

Obtaining certificate of corridor compatibility:	May 2015
Obtaining route permit	May 2015
Completing right of way acquisition	Completed
Testing operations	September 2015
Commence commercial operations	October 2015
- Hess used the replacement cost of \$37 million as the basis for calculation of the filing fee. Section 49-22-22(1)(a) requires a fee amounting to \$5,000 for each one million dollars of investment in the proposed facility. As discussed below and in the application, the proposed project consists of repurposing a number of different segments of existing pipelines and Hess was unable to accurately determine the amount actually invested in those existing segments. The maximum fee under the statute is \$100,000.
- The original purpose of all segments of the existing pipeline that will be repurposed in connection with this project was for gathering natural gas.

4. The portion of the existing pipeline crossing Lake Sakakawea was permitted by the United States Army Corps of Engineers. Hess is in the process of identifying and obtaining copies of all permits and approvals which may have been obtained for any of the segments and will provide copies of the same to the Commission prior to the hearing in this matter.
5. Design specs for the various segments are as follows:

Hawkeye Compressor Station – North Hofflund (except River Crossing):

- Line pipe: 8.625” API 5L Gr. B ERW
- Wall thickness: 0.250” WT for normal pipeline and 0.500” WT for valve sets/lake crossing
- Coating: Fusion Bonded Epoxy (FBE)
- Construction method: conventional laid, ditched/backfilled with 5 feet burial depth.

Lake Sakakawea:

- Line pipe: 8.625” x 0.500” WT, FBE Coated
- Material: API 5L Gr. B SMLS
- Mechanical Protection: 1” Concrete Coated over FBE
- Pipeline Design: ASME B31.4 (liquid) and B31.8 (gas)
- Construction method: conventional laid, ditched/backfilled and partially naturally backfilled. Ditch depth 5-6 ft.

North Hofflund – Silurian:

- Line pipe: 10.750” API 5L Gr. B ERW
- Wall thickness: 0.279” WT
- Coating: Fusion Bonded Epoxy (FBE)
- Construction method: conventional lay, ditched/backfilled with 5 feet burial depth .

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Very truly yours,



John W. Morrison

cc: Lacey Carver (via email)