

May 14, 2015

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Darrell Nitschke
Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-4080



**RE: Sacagawea Pipeline Company, LLC
Case Number PU-15-_____**

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Enclosed for filing, please find an original and ten (10) copies of the following:

1. Ten Year Plan: 2015-2025 for Sacagawea Pipeline Company, LLC; and
2. Notice of Filing Ten Year Plan.

A CD containing a copy of the above-referenced documents in PDF format is also enclosed.

If you should have any questions, please advise.

Sincerely,


LAWRENCE BENDER

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Enclosures

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Sacagawea Pipeline Company, LLC

TEN YEAR PLAN: 2015-2025
Sacagawea Pipeline Company, LLC

May 2015

In accordance with Section 49-22-04 of the North Dakota Century Code and Chapter 69-06-02 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, Sacagawea Pipeline Company (“Sacagawea”), submits the following Ten Year Plan for years 2015 through 2025.

- (1) *A description of the general location, size, and type of all facilities to be owned or operated by the utility during the ensuing ten years, as well as those facilities to be removed from service during the ten-year period.*

Sacagawea currently does not own or operate any transmission or energy conversion facilities in North Dakota. Sacagawea has submitted a Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Application and Route Permit Application, requesting permission from the North Dakota Public Service Commission (“Commission”) to construct an approximately 70 mile crude oil pipeline originating at Paradigm Midstream Services’ Keene Crude Oil Terminal located approximately 2.8 miles south of Keene, North Dakota in McKenzie County and terminating at the Palermo Rail Facility owned by Phillips 66 Partners Terminal, LLC in Mountrail County (the “Project”). As noted, the Project will be located in McKenzie and Mountrail Counties, North Dakota.

Sacagawea plans to submit a Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Application and Route Permit Application, requesting permission from the Commission to construct an approximately 12 mile crude oil pipeline originating from a location 3 miles east of Johnson’s Corner, North Dakota in McKenzie County and terminating at Paradigm Midstream Services’ Keene Crude Oil Terminal located approximately 2.8 miles south of Keene, North Dakota in McKenzie County.

Sacagawea plans to submit a Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Application and Route Permit Application, requesting permission from the Commission to construct an approximately 8 mile crude oil pipeline originating from the Palermo Rail Facility owned by Phillips 66 Partners Terminal, LLC in Mountrail County and terminating at the Enbridge Crude Oil Terminal located in Stanley, North Dakota in Mountrail County.

Sacagawea may construct other pipeline transmission facilities in McKenzie County to transport crude oil to the Keene Terminal for transport on the Sacagawea Pipeline and other transmission facilities in Mountrail County to deliver crude oil to points other than the Palermo Rail Facility. The need for and timing of other transmission pipeline facilities are subject to further commercial discussions and an expanded open season for Sacagawea.

Sacagawea does not own or operate any facilities that it plans to remove from service during the next ten years.

- (2) *An identification of the location of the tentative preferred site for all energy conversion facilities and the tentative location of all transmission facilities on which construction is intended to be commenced within the ensuing five years and such other information as may be required by the commission. The site and corridor identification shall be made in compliance with the criteria published by the commission pursuant to section 49-22-05.1.*

Sacagawea has no proposed energy conversion facilities on which construction is intended within the ensuing five years in North Dakota.

As discussed above, Sacagawea has submitted a Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Application and Route Permit Application for the Sacagawea Pipeline Project to be located in McKenzie and Mountrail Counties, North Dakota. The Sacagawea Pipeline Project will begin at the Keene Crude Oil Terminal located in Section 22, Township 151 North, Range 96 West in McKenzie County and proceed Northeast to Section 15, Township 156, Range 90 West in Mountrail County where it will terminate at the Palermo Rail Terminal Facility.

Sacagawea evaluated a study area to determine the best location for the placement of the corridor and route for the Sacagawea Pipeline Project in order to minimize any potential land use and environmental impacts, maximize public benefits, and take into consideration design and construction limitations and economics. The proposed location of the route within the corridor was made in compliance with Chapter 49-22-05.1, as discussed in the Application for a Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit Sacagawea has filed with the Commission.

- (3) *A description of the efforts by the utility to coordinate the plan with other utilities so as to provide a coordinated regional plan for meeting the utility needs of the region.*

In developing the above-described pipeline project, Sacagawea coordinated with affected landowners and many local, state, and federal government agencies to eliminate conflicts in land use. Sacagawea does coordinate regionally with producers and shippers of crude oil, however, SCP does not have contact with other pipelines due to confidentiality concerns and potential anti-trust issues.

- (4) *A description of the efforts to involve environmental protection and land-use planning agencies in the planning process, as well as other efforts to identify and minimize environmental problems at the earliest possible stage in the planning process.*

Sacagawea recognizes the various federal, state, and municipal regulatory agencies within the state of North Dakota that have environmental compliance authority over the construction, operations, and maintenance of its proposed Sacagawea Pipeline. Sacagawea is committed to developing and fostering an ongoing working relationship with each of these agencies.

Sacagawea will collaborate with local Emergency Management officials and planning commissions in the construction of the Sacagawea Pipeline. Sacagawea is committed to maintaining a strong safety record through emergency preparedness and readiness to mitigate the impact of a pipeline failure. Sacagawea is committed to environmental compliance during the execution of any future projects and will seek the approval of and comply with the conditions of all federal, state, and municipal agencies having jurisdictional authority over the construction and installation of any new facilities

- (5) *A statement of the projected demand for the service rendered by the utility for the ensuing ten years and the underlying assumptions for the projection, with that information being as geographically specific as possible, and a description of the manner and extent to which the utility will meet the projected demands.*

The development of hydrocarbon production in the Williston Basin has increased significantly in recent years due to advancements in deep horizontal directional drilling techniques and subsequent oil extraction in the Bakken and Three Forks shale formations. The total recoverable amount of Bakken and Three Forks oil reserves is subject to interpretation and speculation. Studies conducted by the North Dakota Department of Mineral Resources (NDDMR)¹ and the U.S. Geological Survey² in 2008 and 2010 indicate that 4.0 to 6.3 billion barrels of recoverable reserves are available in North Dakota's Bakken and Three Forks formations. The most recent U.S. Geological Survey information estimated there may be 7.4 billion barrels of oil still undiscovered in the Bakken and Three Forks formations.³ Information from the NDDMR indicates that oil production has increased dramatically over the past five years from approximately 263,000 bpd in 2010 to over 1,000,000 bpd in April 2014,⁴ and production is expected to continue to increase dramatically.

¹ Bohrer, M., Fried, S., Helms, L., Hicks, B., Juenker, B., McCusker, D., Anderson, F., LeFever, J., Murphy, E., and Nordeng, S., North Dakota Department of Mineral Resources. State of North Dakota Bakken Resource Study Project 23 (2008).

² United States Geological Survey, Assessment of Undiscovered Oil Resources in the Devonian-Mississippian Bakken Shale Formation, Williston Basin Province, Montana and North Dakota (2008), available at <http://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2008/3021/> (last visited Dec. 15, 2014).

³ United States Geological Survey, Assessment of Undiscovered Oil Resources in the Bakken and Three Forks Formations, Williston Basin Province, Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota (2013), available at <http://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2013/3013/>.

⁴ North Dakota Department of Mineral Resources, North Dakota Monthly Oil Production Statistics, available at <https://www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas/stats/historicaloilprodstats.pdf> (last visited Jan. 15, 2015).

The major constraint in transporting oil and gas from North Dakota to refining centers is the lack of pipeline capacity. Several major projects have been planned to address the growing volumes, but pipeline capacity is not expected to keep pace with the production, leaving incremental volumes to find alternative transportation methods, primarily by rail.

Sacagawea's proposed 70 mile, 16-inch diameter crude oil pipeline will provide needed capacity to transport increased production of crude oil from the Bakken and Three Forks formations. In addition, to accommodate the ever-increasing Bakken development in northwestern North Dakota, the construction of even more processing and transmission infrastructure will be required, and Sacagawea may develop additional facilities to address this need within the next ten years.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Case No. PU-15-___

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING OF A TEN
YEAR PLAN BY SACAGAWEA PIPELINE
COMPANY, LLC

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Lawrence Bender, being first duly sworn, does depose and state that on May 14, 2015,
the following document was served:

Ten Year Plan: 2015-2025

by placing a true and correct copy of said document in an envelope addressed as follows:

Linda Svihovec
McKenzie County Auditor
201 5th Street NW, Suite 543
Watford City, ND 58854

Mountrail County Auditor
Attn: Stephanie Pappa
PO Box 69
Stanley ND 58784-0069

and depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at Bismarck, North
Dakota.



Lawrence Bender

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Case No. PU-15-_____

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YEAR PLAN BY SACAGAWEA PIPELINE
COMPANY, LLC

**NOTICE OF FILING TEN YEAR PLAN
2015-2025**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Sacagawea Pipeline Company, LLC has, on this date, in accordance with Section 49-22-04 of the North Dakota Century Code and Chapter 69-06-02 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, filed with the North Dakota Public Service Commission and the McKenzie County and Mountrail County, North Dakota Auditors, a Ten Year Plan for the years 2015 through 2025.

Dated this 14th day of May, 2015.

FREDRIKSON & BYRON, P.A.

By 

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the following document:

NOTICE OF FILING TEN-YEAR PLAN: 2015-2025

was on the 14th day of May, 2015 served by placing the same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, properly addressed to the following:

North Dakota Aeronautics Commission
P.O. Box 5020
Bismarck, ND 58502-5020

North Dakota Office of Attorney General
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Department 125
Bismarck, ND 58505

North Dakota Department of Agriculture
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Department 602
Bismarck, ND 58505-0020

North Dakota Department of Health
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505-0200

Department of Human Services
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Department 325
Bismarck, ND 58505-0250

North Dakota Department of Labor
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Department 406
Bismarck, ND 58505-0340

Department of Vocational Education
c/o Career and Technical Education
State Capitol, 15th Floor
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Department 270
Bismarck, ND 58505-0610

North Dakota Department of Commerce
1600 East Century Ave., Suite 2
P.O. Box 2057
Bismarck, ND 58503

Energy Infrastructure and Impact Office
1707 North 9th Street
PO Box 5523
Bismarck, ND 58506-5523

North Dakota Game and Fish Department
100 North Bismarck Expressway
Bismarck, ND 58501-5095

North Dakota Industrial Commission
600 E. Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 405
Bismarck, ND 58505

Office of Governor Jack Dalrymple
State of North Dakota
600 East Boulevard Ave.
Bismarck, ND 58505-0100

North Dakota Department of Transportation
608 East Boulevard Ave.
Bismarck, ND 58505-0700

State Historical Society of North Dakota
612 East Boulevard Ave.
Bismarck, ND 58505-0830

North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission
State Capitol Building
600 East Boulevard Avenue
1st Floor, Judicial Wing - Room #117
Bismarck, ND 58505

Job Service North Dakota
P.O. Box 5507
Bismarck, ND 58506-5507

North Dakota Department of Trust Lands
1707 North Ninth Street
P.O. Box 5523
Bismarck, ND 58506-5523

North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department
1600 East Century Avenue, Suite 3
Bismarck, ND 58503-0649

North Dakota State Soil Conservation Committee
c/o NDSU Extension Service
2718 Gateway Avenue, Suite 104
Bismarck, ND 58503

North Dakota State Water Commission
900 East Boulevard Avenue, Department 770
Bismarck, ND 58505-0850

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United States Fish and Wildlife Service
North Dakota Field Office
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Bismarck, ND 58504

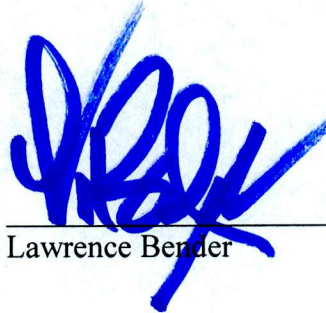
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North Dakota Transmission Authority
c/o North Dakota Industrial Commission
State Capitol 14th Floor
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Bismarck, ND 58505-0840

North Dakota Pipeline Authority
c/o North Dakota Industrial Commission
State Capitol 14th Floor
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Department 405
Bismarck, ND 58505-0840

McKenzie County Commission
201 5th St NW, Ste. 543
Watford City, ND 58854

Mountrail County Commission
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Lawrence Bender

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