

November 21, 2016

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**RE: Hiland Crude, LLC
Alexander Tank Farm Crude Oil Pipeline-McKenzie
Post Construction Inspection
Case No. PU-15-486**

Dear Mr. Bender:

The North Dakota Public Service Commission retained a third-party vendor to conduct a post construction inspection under the authority provided in the above referenced case. Below we provide a weblink to the third-party post construction inspection report for your review and a link to the Commission's order in this proceeding. We note that the third party inspector expressed concerns in its inspection that satisfactory establishment of vegetation throughout the project had not been demonstrated.

The construction report can be found at:
<http://www.psc.nd.gov/database/documents/15-0486/052-020.pdf>

The Commission Order can be found at:
<http://www.psc.nd.gov/database/documents/15-0486/038-040.pdf>

Please have the Company review each of the photographs in Appendix B of the construction report. Please provide updated pictures of each area where vegetation is not fully established no later than July 31, 2017.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at 701-328-4153.

Sincerely,



Sara Cardwell
Public Utility Analyst