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Re: Case No. PU-17-359
Hess Corporation
12" Crude Oil Pipeline – Williams Cty
Siting Exclusion Certification

Dear Mr. Mann:

Thank you for your September 22, 2017 letter notifying the North Dakota Public Service Commission of Hess Corporation's intent to start the replacement of 6.9 miles of its existing 14-inch crude oil pipeline with a new 12-inch crude oil pipeline, and to construct two new sets of launchers and receivers. The filing notified the Commission of avoidance areas in the corridor designated by the Commission, and the expected impact to those avoidance areas.

This letter is to acknowledge that the Commission has received Hess Corporation's filing of written certifications under North Dakota Century Code section 49-22.1-01(3)(b).

At a special meeting on September 22, 2017, the Commission by motion approved the minimal expected impact, if any, to those avoidance areas.

A copy of the Commission motion is enclosed.

Best Regards,

Patrick Fahn, Director
Public Utilities Division

Enclosure

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MOTION

September 22, 2017

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I move the Commission acknowledge Hess Corporation's notification regarding avoidance areas in the corridor of the project and that there is no reasonable alternative to the expected impact, as described in Hess Corporation's September 21, 2017 Certification Relating to N.D.C.C. § 49-22.1-01(3)(b), and approve the minimal expected impact, if any, to those avoidance areas in Hess Corporation, 12" Crude Oil Pipeline – Williams County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-12-683.

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