

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**

**Andeavor Field Services LLC
Crude Oil Pipeline - Billings and Stark Counties
Siting Application**

CASE NO. PU-20-___

**CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION FOR AMENDED ORDER, AMENDED
SECOND REISSUED CERTIFICATE OF CORRIDOR COMPATIBILITY
NO. 124 AND AMENDED SECOND REISSUED ROUTE PERMIT NO. 133**

On July 11, 2011, Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation (“Whiting”) filed with the North Dakota Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a Consolidated Application for a Waiver or Reduction of Procedures and Time Schedules and for a Corridor Certificate and Route Permit to authorize the construction of approximately 6.8 miles of 8-inch diameter steel pipeline for the transportation of crude oil gathered in Billings and Stark Counties, North Dakota, to an interconnection point located in Billings County, North Dakota (the “Pipeline”). *See* Case No. PU-11-102, Docket No. 5. On October 19, 2011, the Commission entered its Order on the Hearing Officer’s October 18, 2011 Recommended Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommended Order (“Order”) issuing Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 124 and Route Permit No. 133 for the Pipeline. *Id.*, Docket No. 37.

On April 21, 2017, Whiting and QEP Field Services, LLC (“QEP”) filed with the Commission a Joint Application for Transfer of Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 124 and Route Permit No. 133. *See* Case No. PU-17-157, Docket No. 1. On May 10, 2017, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Consolidated Hearing on Whiting’s and QEP’s Joint Application with comments and requests for a hearing due by June 23, 2017. *Id.*, Docket No. 6. On June 30, 2017, the Commission entered its Order on Reissuing Certificates and Permit, granting the request to transfer Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 124 and Route Permit

No. 133 and issuing First Reissued Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 124 and First Reissued Route Permit No. 133 to QEP. *Id.*, Docket No. 14.

On March 22, 2018, Andeavor Field Services LLC (“Andeavor”), successor by name change to QEP Field Services, LLC, filed with the Commission an Application for Transfer of Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit Based on Name Change. *See* Case No. PU-18-104, Docket No. 1. On April 11, 2018, the Commission moved to issue Second Reissued Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 124 and Second Reissued Route Permit No. 133 to Andeavor. *Id.*, Docket No. 2. On April 11, 2018, the Commission approved the motion and issued Second Reissued Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 124 and Second Reissued Route Permit No. 133 to Andeavor. *Id.*, Docket Nos. 3 and 4.

In the Certification Relating to Order Provisions - Transmission Facility Siting (“Certification”), incorporated by reference into the Order entered in Case No. PU-11-102 on Whiting’s original application for the Pipeline, Whiting agreed to “construct and operate the transmission facility in the manner described in Whiting’s application,” and “that it shall inform the Commission in writing of an plans to modify the transmission facility.” *See* Case No. PU-11-102, Docket No. 37.

The purpose of the Pipeline, as stated in Whiting’s application in Case No. PU-11-102, was to transport oil produced in Stark and Billings Counties from a field oil terminal (hereinafter, the “Belfield Oil Terminal”) located approximately 6 miles northeast of Belfield, North Dakota, to an interconnection point and pump station owned and operated by Bridger Pipelines, LLC (hereinafter, the “Skunk Hill Station”) located approximately 6.5 miles northeast of the Belfield Oil Terminal in Billings County, North Dakota. *See* Case No. PU-11-102, Docket No. 5. The Pipeline is currently operated in the manner described in Whiting’s application.

Andeavor intends to reverse the flow of crude oil in the Pipeline, receiving oil at the Skunk Hill Station and transporting it south to the Belfield Oil Terminal (the "Project"). Accordingly, Andeavor, being bound by the provisions of the Order and Certification, submits this application to amend the Order and Second Reissued Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 124 and Second Reissued Route Permit No. 133 to allow for the transmission of crude oil in the Pipeline from the Skunk Hill Station to the Belfield Oil Terminal.

Andeavor requests that the Commission waive the hearing requirement in its entirety and proceed by virtue of its notice and opportunity for hearing procedure in consideration of this application. In support of this request, Andeavor submits the following:

1. The Pipeline is completed and no further disturbance through additional construction activity is anticipated with respect to the Project.
2. Andeavor is merely seeking to reverse the flow of oil in the existing Pipeline, so no public opposition is anticipated given the current status of the existing Pipeline.
3. Andeavor believes that the Commission has all the necessary information available in the submissions filed in Case Nos. PU-11-102, PU-17-157 and PU-18-104 in order to issue a decision, thereby making the formal hearing process unnecessary.

Based on the Order and Certification provisions, North Dakota Century Code Sections 49-22.1-06, 49-22.1-07, 49-22.1-08 and North Dakota Administrative Code Section 69-02-02-04, Andeavor requests the Commission issue an amendment to the Order to allow for the transportation of crude oil from the Skunk Hill Station to the Belfield Oil Terminal together with the corresponding Amended Second Reissued Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 124 and

Amended Second Reissued Route Permit No. 133. For the reasons stated herein, Andeavor requests that the Commission waive the hearing requirement in its entirety and proceed by virtue of its notice and opportunity for hearing procedure in consideration of this application.

Dated this 30th day of March, 2020.

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