

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF)
 TRANSCANADA KEYSTONE PIPELINE, LP)
 FOR ORDER ACCEPTING CERTIFICATION)
 OF PERMIT ISSUED IN DOCKET HP09-001)
 TO CONSTRUCT THE KEYSTONE XL)
 PIPELINE)

**ORDER DENYING MOTION
 FOR RECONSIDERATION OF
 MAY 28, 2015 ORDER TO
 PRECLUDE REBUTTAL
 WITNESSES**

HP14-001

On September 15, 2014, TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP (TransCanada or Keystone) filed with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) a Petition for Order Accepting Certification under SDCL §49-41B-27 seeking an order accepting certification of the energy facility permit issued in Docket HP09-001 for construction of the Keystone XL Pipeline. On June 29, 2010, the Commission issued an Amended Final Decision and Order; Notice of Entry granting a permit to TransCanada for construction of the Keystone XL Pipeline. TransCanada now seeks an order accepting certification pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-27. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-41B, specifically 49-41B-27, and ARSD Chapter 20:10:22.

On September 18, 2014, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of October 15, 2014, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. Applications for Party Status were received from forty-three persons, and on November 4, 2014, the Commission issued an Order Granting Intervention and Party Status to forty-two of the applicants. Three parties have since been granted withdrawal of party status. On December 17, 2014, the Commission issued an Order Granting Motion to Define Issues and Setting Procedural Schedule. On May 5, 2015, the Commission issued an Order Amending Procedural Schedule. On July 20, 2015, Intertribal Council on Utility Policy (COUP) filed COUP'S Motion for Reconsideration of May 28, 2015 Order to Preclude Rebuttal Witnesses and Objection to Keystone's July 10th Motion to Preclude (Motion for Reconsideration).

At its regularly scheduled meeting on July 21, 2015, the Commission considered the Motion for Reconsideration. Finding that its decision was correct in its Order Granting TransCanada's Motion to Preclude Witnesses that the testimony of proffered witnesses Hansen and Oglesby was beyond the scope of the certification proceeding, the Commission voted unanimously to deny the Motion for Reconsideration. It is therefore

ORDERED, that COUP'S Motion for Reconsideration is denied.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 22nd day of July, 2015.

<p>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</p> <p>The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically or by mail.</p> <p>By: <u>[Signature]</u></p> <p>Date: <u>7/22/15</u></p> <p align="center">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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 CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

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 KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

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 GARY HANSON, Commissioner