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From: Kristie Jacobsen

Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2015 09:35 AM Central Standard Time

To: Nelson, Chris

Cc: Bob Wilcox <bob@sdcountycommissioners.org>

Subject: SD PUC Hearing for Keystone XL and Public Comment Session July 6th

Good morning Chris,

I have the below email that was requested I forward on to you.

Thank you,

Kris Jacobsen, Deputy Director

South Dakota Association of County Commissioners South Dakota Association of County Officials

Pierre, SD 57501

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From: Donald-Nancy Reinesch

Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2015 9:20 AM

To: Kristie Jacobsen

Subject: Re: FW: SD PUC Hearing for Keystone XL and Public Comment Session July 6th

Kristie: Please forward this to the PUC. Chris Nelson-Kristie Fiegen-Gary Hanson I will not be able to make the PUC hearing. In regard to the keystone pipeline project. Please do the right thing by approving the project. I have been a county commissioner for over 20 years and have experience what can happen by unfounded complaints. It will be a definite plus for the state.

It may be beneficial to have the pipeline pay into a clean up fund in case of emergency which are unforeseen. Don Reinesch Brule County Commissioner Kimball SD.

Kimball, South Dakota 57355

Keystone Pipeline docket # (HP 14-001)

From: PUC

From: Puc

Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2015 10:19 AM

To:

Subject: HP14-001

Mr. Reinesch:

Thank you for your message regarding the Keystone XL Pipeline. It will be posted in the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission's formal pipeline siting docket, HP14-001, under Comments and Responses. Here is a link to the docket: http://puc.sd.gov/Dockets/HydrocarbonPipeline/2014/hp14-001.aspx Since this is an open docket before the commission, correspondence is posted in the open, public docket so that the other commissioners and all parties to the case have access to it.

You may be in interested in this Pipeline Siting Info Guide: http://puc.sd.gov/commission/Publication/pipelinesiting.pdf and Keystone XL Updates: http://puc.sd.gov/Dockets/HydrocarbonPipeline/keystoneupdate.aspx

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

June 9, 2015

To whom this concerns:

On behalf of the residents of Tripp County, South Dakota, we the Board of the Tripp County Commissioners is writing to express our support of the TransCanada Keystone XL crude oil pipeline. We would urge the Department of State to approve the Presidential Permit for the Keystone XL project.

The Keystone XL Pipeline project is important to the economic diversity of our community. We have had nothing but good relations with this industry. The support of the crude oil pipeline would enhance the development of our natural resources and ensure domestic development towards sustaining energy independence in our nation.

We understand and agree that all safety issues need to be addressed and implemented, but, we are also concerned about the other methods that are used to transport crude oil and why this project is going through an additional environmental review. Crude oil is transported over the highway system, by railroad and by cargo ships across the ocean. At any time, there is a possibility of a potential "spill" which could come from a vehicle accident, train derailment or a cargo ship sinking.

TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline has an emergency response plan to cover any incidents that might occur with the pipeline. The track of the line is constant and does not "move" as these other methods of transportation do. Response would be immediate and done by trained professionals and would limit any possible damages. There are more than 50,000 miles of crude oil pipelines that crisscross the Nation already and any accidents or leaks are typically small and easily contained. We do not feel that this would be any different with the Keystone XL Pipeline.

The Keystone XL Pipeline will not only transport the tars, sands and oil from Canada, but will also transport domestic crude oil from the Bakken formation within the Williston Basin in the states of Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota.

We respectfully urge you to expeditiously conclude the review process, issue a final environmental impact statement and approve the Presidential Permit for the shovel-ready, multimillion dollar private sector project.

Sincerely,

Dan Forgey, Chairman

Curtis Littau, Vice-Chairman

Mark Winter, Member

Eric Connot, Member

Clifford Schroeder, Member