
**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

DOCKET HP 14-001

**PROPOSED
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

On March 12, 2009 TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP (“Keystone”) applied for a permit to build the Keystone XL Pipeline. The Public Utilities Commission (“the Commission”) granted Keystone’s application and issued an Amended Final Decision and Order on June 29, 2010. During the intervening four years Keystone has not initiated construction of the Keystone XL Pipeline. On September 14, 2014 Keystone submitted to the Commission a petition for order accepting certification pursuant to SDCL § 49-41B-27. Numerous intervenors, including the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, applied for and were granted party status to challenge Keystone’s certification petition. On October 30, 2014 Keystone filed a motion to limit the scope of discovery of the certification proceeding. That motion is pending before the Commission. A telephonic prehearing scheduling conference was held on November 13, 2014. No resolution or agreement was reached among the parties regarding a schedule during the teleconference. As such, the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, Intervenor, proposes the following schedule for Keystone’s certification petition.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

ITEM	DATE
Final discovery requests due	8 weeks from date scheduling order issued
Replies due	4 weeks after final discovery request due date
Hearing on discovery requests (if needed)	2 weeks after replies received
Keystone prefiled testimony due	4 weeks after hearing on discovery requests or after discovery replies received if no hearing needed
Intervenor prefiled testimony due	4 weeks after Keystone testimony filed
Staff prefiled testimony due	4 weeks after Intervenor testimony filed
Keystone rebuttal testimony due	4 weeks after Staff testimony filed
Evidentiary hearing	2 weeks after Keystone rebuttal testimony filed

Dated this 1st day of December, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,



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