

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF) WRITTEN OPENING STATEMENT
TRANSCANADA KEYSTONE PIPELINE, LP) SUBMITTED BY INTERVENER
FOR ORDER ACCEPTING CERTIFICATION) GENA M. PARKHURST
OF PERMIT ISSUED IN DOCKET HP09-001) HP14-001
TO CONSTRUCT THE KEYSTONE XL)
PIPELINE)

On July 24, 2015 I hereby submit my written opening statement as an Intervener in the matter of the petition of TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP (TransCanada or Keystone) for Order Accepting Certification of Permit issued in Docket HP09-001 to Construct the Keystone XL Pipeline. I will be unable to attend the hearing that starts July 27 and runs through August 4, so I appreciate the opportunity to submit a written opening statement.

At least three conditions have changed drastically since TransCanada first applied for this permit in 2010:

- 1) The price of oil has changed.
- 2) The quantity of oil stockpiles has changed.
- 3) Knowledge of TransCanada's reclamation efforts has changed.

Furthermore, I am very disappointed in the elimination of

- 1) evidence needed by two witnesses,
- 2) any testimony or evidence regarding climate change, and
- 3) any testimony or evidence regarding tribal sovereignty.

In conclusion, I am shocked that a foreign company can take away the land of American citizens. My ancestors who fought against the tyranny of England in the American Revolutionary War would be appalled if they were alive.

Dated at Rapid City, South Dakota, this 24 day of July, 2015.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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.

Gena M. Parkhurst, Intervener