

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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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 PROJECT

: HP 14-001

: AFFIDAVIT OF  
LOU THOMPSON

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE )  
  :SS  
COUNTY OF HILLSBORO )

Lou Thompson, having been first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says:

1. At all times material hereto I was Senior Native American Rights Advisor for TransCanada, assigned to work with Native American tribal relations relative to the Keystone XL Pipeline.
2. The Yankton Sioux Tribe's reservation is located on the east side of the Missouri River, in Charles Mix County, South Dakota. The western border of the Yankton Sioux Reservation is approximately 40 miles east of the proposed Keystone XL route.
3. Keystone's earliest contact with the Yankton Sioux Tribe was in 2008. On October 29, 2008, Keystone hosted an informational meeting in Pierre, South Dakota for interested tribes, tribal members and tribal representatives pertaining to the proposed XL project. Faith Spotted Eagle attended on behalf of the Yankton Sioux Tribe. On information and belief, she was the Yankton Sioux Tribal Historic Preservation Officer at the time.

4. Pam Halvorson and Elliot Christensen attended the meeting on behalf of the Lower Brule Sioux Indian Community. Other interested persons attending representing a variety of tribes in the region.

5. In part the October 29, 2008, meeting was to encourage tribal historic preservation officers to identify culturally sensitive areas along the pipeline route and to encourage tribal participation in cultural surveys of the areas so identified.

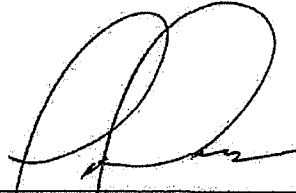
6. In April of 2009, following up on contacts made in 2008, Josh Chase of AECOM, an environmental consultant for Keystone, contacted Ms. Spotted Eagle to inquire about her views on culturally sensitive areas along the route. At the time, she had not identified any specific areas of cultural sensitivity.

7. In 2010 Keystone began conducting cultural surveys along the proposed XL route, using tribal monitors and observers as participants. In the summer of 2010 Yankton Sioux representatives attended and participated in various surveys relating to the route. Seven Yankton Sioux monitors were appointed for the purpose. Then Yankton Sioux Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Lana Gravatt attended some of the surveys and route studies.

8. All expenses incurred by Yankton Sioux members were paid by Keystone.

9. On August 4, 2010 the Yankton Sioux Tribe adopted a resolution opposing the construction of the Keystone XL project. A copy of the resolution is attached hereto, marked Exhibit A for reference. After the adoption of the resolution, Keystone, out of respect for the Yankton Sioux Tribe's decision, ended its efforts to work with the Tribe.

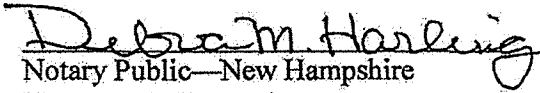
Dated this 2 day of June, 2015.



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Lou Thompson

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 2 day of June, 2015.



Notary Public—New Hampshire

My commission expires:

