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VIA E-FILE

Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st floor
500 E. Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: HP14-001 - Application for Party Status and Entry of Appearance

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Please find enclosed the Yankton Sioux Tribe's *Application for Party Status* and the *Entry of Appearance of Thomasina Real Bird on behalf of the Yankton Sioux Tribe* for filing in docket number HP14-001.

The Yankton Sioux Tribe is sovereign government whose ancestral and treaty lands include the proposed pipeline corridor. As such, the Yankton Sioux Tribe is qualified to be party to this proceeding under SDCL § 49- 41B-17.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (303) 673-9600.

Sincerely,

Thomasina Real Bird

Enclosures (2)

cc: James E. Moore, via: james.moore@woodsfuller.com