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Dear Ms. Anderson:

Thank you for your letter with concerns regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline construction permit application filed with the commission on Dec. 15, 2014 by Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. Your letter will be added to the Dakota Access Pipeline docket, HP14-002, along with this response.

You will find the docket online at [www.puc.sd.gov](http://www.puc.sd.gov) by clicking on Commission Actions, Commission Dockets, Hydrocarbon Pipeline Dockets, 2014 Hydrocarbon Pipeline Dockets, and HP14-002. I encourage you to access the docket to read the documents filed there, and do so regularly to see new documents and information as they are added. The commission has a limit of one year during which to analyze the permit application and request additional information, and ultimately render a decision. Therefore, we have much work and many questions to answer before that point is reached. While commissioners are reviewing and questioning, a team of commission staff members assigned to the docket and their consultants as needed are doing the same independently, along with any intervenors as other parties in the case. Because commissioners have a decision-making role in docket matters, any discussion with a commissioner about an open docket must take place in an open, public forum. By placing your letter in the docket, the other commissioners and interested parties will have access to your comments for consideration.

Enclosed is a document from the home page of the commission's web site titled Pipeline Siting Info Guide which explains the processing of pipeline siting permit requests which may be helpful to you. I have also enclosed a Dakota Access Pipeline Frequently Asked Questions document from the site which may be of interest.

Sincerely,

Chris Nelson