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# STATE OF PUBLIC HEARING SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of Dakota Access, LLC for an Energy Facility Permit to Construct the Dakota Access Pipeline Project

HERE: Bowdle, SD: January 21, 2015, 12:00 noon — 3:00 p.m. CST, Bowdle School Gym, 3083 S. 2nd Ave., Bowdle, SD

Redfield, SD: January 21, 2015, 6:00 p.m. — 9:00 p.m. CST, Redfield School Auditorium, 502 E. 2nd St., Redfield, SD

Iroquois, SD: January 22, 2015, 10:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m. CST, Iroquois School South Gym, 111 E. Washita Ave., Iroquois, SD

Sioux Falls, SD: January 22, 2015, 5:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m. CST, Roosevelt Room, Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center, 3200 W. Maple St., Sioux Falls, SD

CL 49-41B-15 and 49-41B-16, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) will hold public input hearings at the following locations on an Application for an Energy Facility Permit filed December 15, 2014, by Dakota Access, LLC (Applicant) for the Dakota Access Pipeline Project (Application). The Application requests Commission approval of a permit to construct a 12-inch to 30-inch pipeline approximately 271.6 miles in South Dakota for the purpose of transporting crude oil (Project). The line will cross the South Dakota and Iowa border in Campbell County, South Dakota and extend south and east through McPherson, Edmunds, Faulk, Spink, Beadle, Kingsbury, Minnehaha, Turner, and Lincoln Counties, exiting South Dakota at the South Dakota/Iowa border in Lincoln County. The line will have an initial capacity of 450,000 barrels of oil per day (bpd) with an anticipated capacity of up to approximately 630,000 bpd. The Project also includes one pump station in South Dakota, located approximately seven miles southeast of Redfield in Spink County.

At each public input hearing, Applicant will present a brief description of the Project, following which interested persons may appear and present questions, views, and comments regarding the Application and Project. Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-15(5), the Application is on file in the Campbell County Auditor's Office in Bowdle, Minnehaha, Turner, and Lincoln County Auditors' offices and in the Commission's office in Pierre, and the Application and all other documents in the case, including detailed Project maps, may also be accessed on the Commission's web site at [www.puc.sd.gov](http://www.puc.sd.gov) under Commission Actions, Commission Dockets, Hydrocarbon Pipeline Dockets, 2014 Hydrocarbon Pipeline Dockets, HP14-002.

Persons who wish to participate in this proceeding are currently the Applicant and the Commission's staff (Staff). Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-17, any person, including a municipality, county, and governmental agency in the Project area, any non-profit organization or individual, or in part to promote conservation or natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or other biological values, to protect cultural sites, to promote consumer interests, to represent commercial and industrial groups, or to promote the orderly development of the Project area, or any interested person, may be granted formal party status in this proceeding by making written application to the Commission on or before February 13, 2015. Application for Party Status forms will be available at the public input hearings, or may be obtained from the Commission or the Commission's web site.

At public input hearings, the Commission may schedule a formal evidentiary hearing conforming to SDCL Chapter 1-26 to consider any issues raised by an intervening party, Commission Staff, or the Commission itself. At such formal hearing, all parties will have the opportunity to appear, present evidence, and cross-examine the other parties' witnesses and exercise all other rights afforded by SDCL 1-26, 49-1 and 49-41B and ARSD 20:10-22-40 on or before February 13, 2015. Absent a contested issue, the Commission will schedule the matter for decision at a regular or special meeting of the Commission.

The Applicant must show that the Project will comply with all applicable laws and rules, will not pose a threat of serious injury to the health, safety, or welfare of the community, will not be a threat to the social and economic condition of inhabitants or expected inhabitants in the siting area, will not substantially impair the health, safety, or welfare of the inhabitants, and will not unduly interfere with the orderly development of the region with due consideration having been given to the needs of governing bodies of affected local units of government. Based upon these factors, the Commission will decide whether the permit should be granted, denied, or granted upon such terms, conditions or modifications of the construction, operation, or maintenance as the Commission may require. The parties will have the right to appeal the final decision in this case to the appropriate Circuit Court by serving and filing a notice of appeal of the decision in accordance with SDCL 1-26-31, within thirty (30) days after the date of service of the notice of decision in this case.

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, these hearings are being held in physically accessible locations. Please contact the Commission at least 10 days prior to the hearing if you have special needs so arrangements can be made to accommodate you. The Commission's contact information is (800) 332-1782; fax (866) 757-6031; [www.puc.sd.gov](http://www.puc.sd.gov); 500 E. Capitol Ave., Pierre, SD 57501.