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From: Johnson, Dustin (PUC)
Sent: Wednesday, October 10, 2007 2:24 PM
To: 'cpullman@svtv.com'; Kolbo, Delaine
Subject: Re: Keystone pipeline.

Claudia,

Thanks for your email. I am concerned about much of what you mention, although I want to make it clear that I don't know that everything you've written is true. We have not had our evidentiary hearing on this project yet. Once that has taken place we will actually have the evidence we will use to make our decision.

I will make sure your comments are entered into the record.

Thanks,
Dusty

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From: Claudia Pullman <cpullman@svtv.com>
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Subject: Keystone pipeline.

Dear Mr. Johnson.

I recently heard on the news about a water main brake in a new development in Sioux Falls. Which got me to thinking, this is a brand new water main with about 200PSI and it sprung a leak. On the other hand we are looking at the keystone pipeline which is supposed to be running through our neighbors property at more than 8 times the pressure. They can't guarantee this pipeline will not leak. If I try to imagine the amount of crude leaching into the ground before they can get to the leak, I can't understand why we have to roll over and play dead. Over and over again we hear about the fact that there are risks of leaks and I don't care how many people they have to tell us as landowners there won't be any leaks. With all the risks involved and all the opposition from landowners, why do we even have this discussion? It seems clear to me there are no guarantees and that should be enough to say "No" we don't want you here, because the land belongs to us and not "Big Oil". Where are our rights as landowners? The lack of compliance with federal and local regulations they have shown that they don't care about us or what this state stands for. They have no respect for us or our property. I don't know how things are done in Canada and I frankly don't care, but the fact remains that they did everything backwards and have not even received approval from the Federal Government and yet they think they start Condemnation proceedings. What that tells me is, they don't care about anything and they don't have any respect for rules and regulations. I know that they bought up some of our neighbors most of which are elderly and I realize that as long as they keep tempting there are folks that feel they get a

good deal. Which in fact is actually a disgrace because they pay what they think is good money. Our land will never be the same again after they dig up all the clay and dirt. The soil will be mixed with the clay and the fertility of the ground will be compromised. I don't care how careful they say they will be. All pipelines have a track record and there have been spills and leaks. They are no better and all the safety issues they think have under control are nothing more than the minimum required by the State.

I would like to think that the livelihoods of all South Dakotans should be in the forefront of this issue, after all what is a SD farmer without the land that sustains him and the rest of the country.

Keystone is taking away our livelihoods and I hope more South Dakotans wake up and realize that if we let them get away with this, there will be others and they won't even ask, because we as voters and taxpayers are rendered powerless by threats of lawsuits from "Big Oil". I appreciate you and all you have done for they farmers of SD and I hope that this letter will make an impact. Thank you. Yours truly, Claudia Pullman, Freeman SD