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Sioux Falls, SD  
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South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
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Greetings:

Please remove my name, LaVia Merrick, 117 W. St. Andrews, Sioux Falls, SD 57108, and SDRC [at the same address] as intervenor. I get twice the correspondence.

I will be unable to be in attendance as indicated. My husband will some have more surgeries, and I am his caretaker.

I had hoped to require TransCanada Pipeline be bonded for environmental damage. I have been told that the PUC could not require this as a condition of the permit. Is this correct?

Your office has been very informative and the process is affirms the democratic process. I shall be sending my opinions to other interested parties, in order to include my concerns with their opinions.

Sincerely,

  
LaVia Merrick

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