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The District III Farmers Union meeting in Watertown, South Dakota on October 6, 2007 hereby petitions the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission in the Trans-Canada Pipeline issue:

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1. Because the oil industry is an important and necessary part of agriculture and
2. Because an adequate supply of energy is necessary for agriculture to be prosperous in the foreseeable future and
3. Because food and fiber raised in South Dakota and the surrounding states is vital for our US economy and
4. Because the Trans-Canada pipeline is an added economic benefit to South Dakota and
5. Because a pipeline can be built that will be environmentally safe and a benefit to all.

Therefore, be it resolved that the District III Farmers Union asked the Public Utilities Commission to:

1. Use it's permitting power to make sure adequate safeguards are adopted to protect the environment and the land in South Dakota. This includes making sure the type and thickness of the pipe is the best possible; that the construction process is safeguarded to make sure all is done according to specifications of the best engineering possible. And
2. That the landowners are treated fairly and are adequately protected and compensated for their contribution to the building of the pipeline both now and into the future.

District III Farmers Union

Paul Symons Acting Secretary