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Dear Sirs,

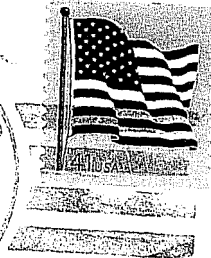
I am a past Chairman of the BDM Rural Water System. I am concerned that you are not listening to what the geologist from South Dakota is saying about the location of the pipeline across the BDM aquifer. The land where the pipeline crosses is sandy loam and the aquifer is very close to the surface. By moving a few miles east the ground ~~was~~ would be clay and if a leak occurred, it could be controlled before it would get into the water.

The water supplied by BDM covers an area from the James river all the way east to the Minnesota line. This includes all the towns and farms in Northeast South Dakota and affects a lot of people. I am asking you to reconsider the placement of the pipeline.

Sincerely,

Dale Kurth

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