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Patricia Van Gerpen Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission 500 E. Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

Re: TransCanada Keystone Pipeline Liaison Quarterly Report, Docket HP09-001

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

I attach for filing KXL Pipeline Project South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Liaison Quarterly Report for the First and Second Quarter of 2021.

Yours very truly,

WOODS, FULLER, SHULTZ & SMITH P.C.

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# **KXL Pipeline Project** South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Liaison Quarterly Report 2021

First Quarter 2021 January 01, to March 31, 2021

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### 1. **Project Overview**

On June 9, 2021, TC Energy terminated the KXL Pipeline Project. TC Energy has ceased conducting pre-construction activities including pursuing remaining outstanding permits; interfacing with landowners and acquiring necessary land rights; procuring pipe, materials and equipment, and other long lead-time items; and inspecting and refurbishing workforce camp modules, pipe and associated materials and equipment previously purchased. TC Energy is maintaining environmental protections as required by permits and best management practices. All field offices are closed. However, KXL officials, as well as the Liaison, are available via phone to address landowner and other stakeholder questions and concerns

### 2. Issue Tracking and General Liaison Activity

During the first quarter of 2021 there were six contacts to the liaison officer, more than in previous quarters this year. All of the calls were from parties with questions about the status of the project. There were no landowner contacts.

No formal meetings were held. There were a few calls and emails with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission staff and emails related to the general project status. There were no vendor calls or media calls this quarter.

No new concerns were reported to the Liaison during the quarter and the one outstanding issue being tracked from the previous year has been resolved. The Liaison will continue to follow and report on the status of the project and to be available to address any landowner questions or concerns throughout the duration of the project.

### 3. Summary

The number of calls to the Liaison increased this quarter and were primarily related to the general status of the project. There were multiple correspondences between the Liaison and Commission staff and counsel related to project status. The landowner issue being tracked from the previous year was resolved early in the quarter. There are no existing issues being followed by the Liaison.

The Liaison remains available to address the concerns of landowners and other affected parties. The Liaison will continue to report on the status of the project and consumer concerns and issues encountered.

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#### 1. **Project Overview**

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### 2. Issue Tracking and General Liaison Activity

During the second quarter of 2021 there were three contacts to the Liaison and one landowner contact. Two of the calls were from parties with questions regarding the status of the project. The other was a landowner concerned with a county road status. The county highway superintendent inspected the road and had no concerns with the condition of the road.

No formal meetings were held. There were a few calls and emails with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission staff and emails related to the general project status. There were no vendor calls or media calls this quarter.

The Liaison will continue to follow and report on the status of the project and be available to address any landowner questions or concerns throughout the duration of the project.

#### 3. Summary

The number of calls to the Liaison decreased this quarter and were primarily related to the general status of the project. There were multiple correspondences between the Liaison and Commission staff and counsel related to project status. The landowner issue reported is being tracked into the third quarter, but has been reported to the county road district to address.

The Liaison remains available to address the concerns of landowners and other affected parties. The Liaison will continue to report on the status of the project and consumer concerns and issues encountered.