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Subject: Re: SDPUC Agenda of the Commission Meeting to be held 10/6/09. HP09-001

To:

Date: Friday, October 2, 2009, 3:05 PM

SDPUC: I do not understand why there is a motion to reconsider the request for information on the Emergency Response Plan. It would appear to me that maybe your getting pressured from other parties for doing the right thing.

We as citizens of South Dakota and of the United States of America have a responsibility to make sure that our natural resources are not ruined for the sake of a few .

Buy a few I am talking about the rich and greedy people that will do anything for another dollar.

In South Dakota we have one of the most valuable resource's available to man kind , and this is our water . It is my opinion that Keystone XL is now the third time that our state has allowed our water resource to become one step closer to being endangered . The first two being Keystone One , on the eastern part of the state and the other is the Under Ground Laboratory in the old home stake mine . These test sights sooner or later become a dump sight for something gone wrong . What would be easier then just dumping it down a mine shaft , who will ever know.

It is not my intent to point a finger at anyone, but to make you aware that the citizen's of South Dakota are concerned about our State and our natural resources and that we need to be leaders and not followers in this field.

I went through your e-mail on the Spink's County ordnance that the SDPUC sent out and it would appear that some federal laws preset our abilities to protect our beautiful state. If we do nothing to try and change this then nothing gets done . You as the SDPUC have the position to start the pattern of change . Remember we the people are the voice of the government , not the other way around . This seems to be forgotten , we need to get America back into our hands , and letting foreign companies and countries abuse our land is not the way for a better future . If this oil is such a good deal , refine it in Canada and transport the end product . It makes no sense to endanger over 2000 miles of United States

natural resource's when it could be refined in Canada . If they do not have a refinery then build one . Let them deal with a man made disaster . It is true we need a new source of oil ,but let's not create a bigger problem .

My last comment's are, would YOU rather have a glass of Good water to drink or a glass of DIRTY OIL.

Thanks John Harter 28125 307th ave Winner SD. 57580