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From: Merle Pochop [REDACTED]  
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 9:50 PM  
To: Nelson, Chris  
Subject: Comment to PUC on Dakota Access Pipeline

Commissioner Nelson:

This message is in support of the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline to convey oil and possibly other materials from sources to markets or to point of use. Pipelines have been in use for decades now and while they require oversight and maintenance, their record is excellent, especially when compared to any alternative method used to transfer bulk commodities,

The track record of alternatives to a pipeline include use of rail tank cars and possibly tank trucks. Over the last three years along their collective record of deaths, spills and disruption of other important commercial activities is clear and it is by far inferior to modern pipeline construction and use.

Other people may express concern over pipeline intrusion and performance but I think they fail to consider the record of the existing lines that have served efficiently and unobtrusively for generations.

Sincerely,

Merle Pochop  
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**From:** PUC

**Sent:** Friday, May 01, 2015 8:44 AM

**To:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** HP14-002

Mr. Pochop:

Thank you for your message regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline. It is posted in the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission's formal pipeline siting docket, HP14-002, under Comments and Responses. Here is a link to the docket: <http://www.puc.sd.gov/Dockets/HydrocarbonPipeline/2014/hp14-002.aspx> Since this is an open docket before the commission, correspondence is posted in the open, public docket so that the other commissioners and all parties to the case have access to it.

You may be interested in this Pipeline Siting Info Guide:

<http://puc.sd.gov/commission/Publication/pipelinesiting.pdf> and Dakota Access Pipeline FAQ:

<http://puc.sd.gov/Dockets/HydrocarbonPipeline/2014/hp14-002faq.aspx>

Chairman Chris Nelson

South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

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Email: Chris.Nelson@state.sd.us

Subject: In Regards to permit for Dakota Access Pipeline

Dear PUC Commissioners,

With a project as large as the Dakota Access Pipeline, it is understandable that some residents have concerns, and there are many questions to be asked. The application and easement process is complex, but the degree to which Energy Transfer is committed to answering questions about their project is much appreciated.

As a land developer and business owner, I had questions for the pipeline's representatives about their project and what it means for our community. After talking with the company, they made sure my questions were answered and all concerns were addressed. This showed me that Energy Transfer is striving to be a good neighbor, and that transparency with landowners and community members is something they take seriously.

From my interactions with Energy Transfer, it has been made clear to me that keeping our land and communities protected are their first priorities.

I urge your support for this project and hope that the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission will approve the permit for the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline.

Sincerely,

  
Ryan Fiddle  
Mickelson & Company, LLC

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**From:** PUC  
**Sent:** Friday, May 01, 2015 8:49 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** HP14-002

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