#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE

#### HP14-002

# PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Corliss Faye Wiebers

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

:SS

COUNTY OF Lincoln

Corliss Faye Wiebers, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows:

Please state your name and address.

**Corliss Faye Wiebers** 

607 S Elm St PO Box 256

Lennox, SD 57039

How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?

I am a landowner in Lincoln County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline.

Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming will be continued by younger generations.

4/26/1883 Land was Homesteaded by Philip Eichhorn. He was given a Patent (deed) September, 1887.

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6/11/1959 John Schoffelman purchased from his siblings and his mother for \$37,840 - \$236.50 per acre.

12/4/1959 – John added Leona's name

5/18/2004 – termination of Leona's name on deed due to death

3/23/2004 – John deeded to children - Janice Petterson, Mavis Parry, Linda Goulet, Corliss Wiebers, Shirley Oltmanns, Marilyn Murray & Kevin Schoffelman w/John having Life Estate

4/13/2012 - Termination of John's Life Estate

The question of whether farming will be continued by future generations remains to be determined.

Tillable acres will probably continue to be leased for row-crop farming and pasture acres for cash rent for several years. However discussions have taken place for development of the land starting with the 3 building eligibilities.

### Please describe your current farming operations.

The tillable acres are farmed by Jerry and Bill Crevier and the pasture is rented by Scott Daggett.

To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access

Pipeline cross?

Based on the most recent maps by Dakota Access and flags placed in the road ditch, the pipeline would enter the NW corner going to the SE corner cutting diagonally across the entire farm. This area includes crop production land as well as pasture.

How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?

Approximately 300 yards to the nearest building and 340 yards to the well.

It is planned to go under the creek which drains the watershed NW of Tea and flows into the Sioux River.

The pipeline would cross the easement held by South Lincoln Rural Water.

As stated previously it would cross the grazing area.

Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures on your property.

The land is drain tiled, some of which is clay.

Open Waterway ditch running south on east side of property.

It currently has 3 housing eligibilities with potential for additional future longer term development since Highway 17 runs on the west side of the property.

Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired. Initially, no access for daily operations on cropland on south half of property. Natural waterways blocked and would need to be reconstructed. The tillable acres won't produce the same and the quality of the pasture will be impaired.

Future development potential diminished due to restrictions of building on pipeline and lack of desire for homeowners to live near pipeline. There is currently an existing housing development ½ mile NE of our farm, located outside of the City of Tea as well as a second development planned (zoning has been changed to agriculture/residential) ½ mile directly north of our farm. These developments are outside of the City of Tea growth plan. Just because a particular city doesn't have these affected areas in their growth plan, doesn't mean they won't be developed – unless of course pipeline easements restrict the development.

Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile performance and investment.

Yes, it has been drain tiled and parts of it are clay tile. I am concerned that the tile may crumble by excavating the ground near it, construction equipment going over it or by additional underground pressure from settling afterwards.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. Ruptures, oil leaks, environmental damages in the future. As steward of the land our obligation is also for future generations.

In February, the Wall Street Journal compared oil from 86 locations around the world and found Bakken crude oil to be the most explosive. This was introduced December 11, 2014 in the Assembly Resolution No 191 State of New Jersey 216<sup>th</sup> Legislature.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?

Watershed damage as East Beaver Creek drains the Watershed North and West of Tea and flows through our farm, eventually into the Big Sioux River and then the Missouri.

Will eliminate the potential for future development due to people not wanting to reside near an oil pipeline.

Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority (i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal fees in defending against this lawsuit?

Yes- I have been sued.

No- Dakota Access has not provided any legal authority (state statute).

Yes- I have incurred legal fees.

Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.

The fact that their plan is to run the pipeline through Minnehaha and Lincoln county shows total disregard for the welfare of our state, it's inhabitants and the future development in this area. I'm concerned it will lower my property value. Their only concern seems to be what money they can save using the shortest direct route without a thought of the short and long term loss for the landowners.

Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?

No.

Does that conclude your testimony?

Yes.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 19 day of June, 2015.

Notary Public – South Dakota

My Commission Expires: 3/13/19

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE

#### HP14-002

PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Delores (Andreessen) Assid

	STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
	:SS COUNTY OF Lincoln )
1	Delores Assid, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows:
2	Please state your name and address.
3	Delores Assid
4	3009 South Holly
5	Sioux Falls, SD 57105
6	How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?
7	I am a landowner in Lincoln County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota
8	Access Pipeline.
9	Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming
10	will be continued by younger generations.
11	My grandfather, Henry Andreessen, homesteaded this land in 1883. He filed on the land
12	(a half section – 320 acres) in 1882 and then moved onto it in 1883. Henry farmed it for
13	44 years. My parents, Martin and Elsie Andreessen, inherited the farm in 1927, when I
14	was one year old. They retired from farming in 1948, but continued to own the land. My
15	parents rented the land to a farmer, Richard Gores. My sisters, Devona Smith and

16	Margaret Hilt, and I inherited the farm in 1988, when my mother passed away. We
17	continue to rent the farmland to a farmer, Doug Vanderwerff, who grows corn and
18	soybeans on it. My two daughters and my two nephews will someday inherit the farm
19	from my sisters and me. They plan on continuing to own the land and rent it out. One
20	daughter, Laurie Kunzelman, has been thinking about building a home on the farm.
21	Please describe your current farming operations.
22	We rent out the farm for cash rent. The tenant farmer, Doug Vanderwerff, grows corn
23	and soybeans, and has a little hay land on the half section. This man has been farming
24	our land for about 30 years and plans to continue to do so.
25	To the best of your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access
26	Pipeline cross?
27	The pipeline would cross the east quarter section (160 acres) of the farm from the
28	northwest corner to the southeast corner, effectively cutting that quarter section in half.
29	How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming
30	facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?
31	The pipeline would run approximately 50 feet from the land surrounding the farm
32	buildings and the windmill, which provides water for the house.
33	Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or
34	whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures
35	on your property.
36	My land has cement tile going from a pond north of the house to the road ditch south of
37	the house. The proposed pipeline would cross this tile. There is also tile a short distance
38	west of this tile. I'm not sure if the pipeline would cross that tile or not.

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39	My daughter, Laurie Kunzelman, has been considering building a home on the southeast
40	corner of the farm, but the pipeline would prevent that. My sisters and I have also
41	considered selling one acreage on the northeast corner of the farm.
42	Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be
43	impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.
44	Corn and soybeans are both grown yearly in alternating areas in that quarter section of
45	the farm. The pipeline would severely cut down on crop production of each of them.
46	The tenant would lose acres to plant, receive much less income from that quarter section,
47	and it would inconvenience him when trying to farm the land, with the pipeline cutting
48	that quarter section in half. Consequently, he would be unwilling to pay as much rent per
49	acre, so we would be losing income. No one else would be willing to farm it either, with
50	that pipeline running through there. Also, if we did try to sell any acreages, people would
51	not want to buy and build on the land with that pipeline under it. Dakota Access would
52	not allow any buildings on the easement, either.
53	Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether
54	you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile
55	performance and investment.
56	Yes, this quarter has two areas of drain tile. The pipeline would cross at least one of
57	them. The tile is cement and quite old. I am very much afraid that the tile would be
58	damaged. Then the water would not drain out of the low area and could reach the house
59	and other buildings. It would be very costly to replace the drain tiles if they were
60	damaged. I'm also afraid oil could get into the tiles and into the water if the tiles were
61	broken.

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Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to

the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

Yes, I definitely believe the pipeline would pose a threat to the environment and the inhabitants of this farm. The oil could leak onto the land and into the water as it has often done in many other areas. The oil could flow into Little Beaver Creek which runs through the farm. Then it could get into Beaver Creek, and subsequently into the Sioux River and the aquifer. The oil in this pipeline is a highly volatile substance. Pipelines explode, rupture, and leak. Even with shut-off valves, a great deal of oil would escape into the environment. If the pipeline exploded, it could definitely hurt or kill people and animals in the area. Also, the oil could be poisonous and carcinogenic to the people and animals in contact with it. I have designated wetlands on my farm which could be threatened by the pipeline.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?

Yes, it will most definitely impair the financial welfare of the tenant farmer and the landowners (us), due to the amount of land that will be dug up all the way across that quarter section. Crops will not be as good. This could happen again and again, anytime the pipeline company would decide to go back in and dig it up to put more pipes in, or to work on them for some reason. Yet the pipeline company is only offering a onetime lump sum payment. I am also concerned that stray voltage could affect the health, safety, and welfare of the tenant farmer, the residents, and anyone else near the pipeline. As I stated before, the oil itself could affect the health, safety, and welfare of everyone in the area because of the volatility of the oil and the chemicals that the oil contains. Dakota

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85	Access cannot guarantee the safety of the pipeline. There have been more pipeline
86	accidents than train accidents involving oil.
87	Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to
88	your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority
89	(i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota
90	Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal
91	fees in defending against said lawsuit?
92	Yes, Dakota Access has filed a lawsuit against us to allow them to enter our farm to
93	survey it. I told them "No" two different times, that they could not enter our land.
94	Yes, we have hired a lawyer, Glenn Boomsma, to represent us in this matter. This is
95	costing us a great deal of money.
96	Has Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you that it is a "common
97	carrier" under South Dakota law? If so, please describe.
98	No, they did not.
99	Has any representative of Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you or
100	others that you believe are not true? If so, please explain.
101	Yes, first of all they told me that I should allow them on my land. If I don't, they will
102	just take it by eminent domain, anyway. However, they do not have the right of eminent
103	domain as of yet.
104	Secondly, they told Rhonda Nielsen, who lives in the house on that quarter section, that
105	my sisters and I had agreed to let Dakota Access enter my land, survey it, and build the
106	pipeline there. They also told her there was nothing she could do about it. Rhonda was
107	very upset that we would do this. We never gave them permission to enter our land,
108	survey it, or build the pipeline there.

109		Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.
110		South Dakota and Iowa both grow large amounts of corn. Ethanol producers in South
111		Dakota use much of this corn to produce ethanol, which greatly helps the economy of
112		South Dakota. The oil pipeline will benefit the economy of North Dakota and Texas, but
113		will be of only a small benefit to the economy of South Dakota. That oil is a non-
114		renewable source of fuel and produces greenhouse gases. Corn is a renewable source of
115		fuel. South Dakota should be putting all of its effort into increasing the supply and
116		demand for ethanol. This would be much more beneficial to the farmers and to the state.
117		Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the
118		formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?
119		No. I am 89 years old and have recently had my left knee replaced. It is still giving me a
120		great deal of pain.
121		I give my permission for my daughter, Laurie Kunzelman, to speak on my behalf during
122		the formal hearing. Her address is 3604 East Woodsedge St., Sioux Falls, SD 57108.
123		Does that conclude your testimony?
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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

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### **HP14-002**

## PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Devona B. Smith

	:SS
	COUNTY OF Lincoln )
1	Devona B. Smith, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows:
2	Please state your name and address.
3	Devona B. Smith
4	5702 S. Logan St. Apt. A
5	Centennial, Colorado 80121
6	How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?
7	I am a landowner in Lincoln County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota
8	Access Pipeline.
9	Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming
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13	44 years. My parents, Martin and Elsie Andreessen, inherited the farm in 1927. They
14	retired from farming in 1948, but continued to own the land. My parents rented the land
15	to a farmer, Richard Gores. My sisters Delores Assid and Margaret Hilt, and I inherited

16	the farm in 1988, when my mother passed away. We continue to rent the farmland to a
17	farmer, Doug Vanderwerff, who grows corn and soybeans on it. My two nieces and my
18	two nephews will someday inherit the farm from my sisters and me. They plan on
19	continuing to own the land and rent it out. My niece Laurie Kunzelman, has been
20	thinking about building a home on the farm.
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98	carrier" under South Dakota law? If so, please describe.
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123	Does that conclude your testimony?
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129	Subscribed and sworn before me this 20 day of Jane, 2015.
130	Subscribed and sworn before me this 20 day of 300, 2013.
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132	NOTARY PUBLIC
133	NOTARY ID 20154000974 Notary Public - South Dakota
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Janice Elaine Petterson, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as

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# PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Janice Elaine Petterson

## STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

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### **COUNTY OF Lincoln**

2	follows:
3	Please state your name and address.
4	Janice Elaine Petterson
5	6401 S Lyncrest Ave Apt 307
6	Sioux Falls, SD 57108
7	How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?
8	I am a landowner in Lincoln County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota
9	Access Pipeline.
10	Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming
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43	The question of whether farming will be continued by future generations remains to be
44	determined.
45	Tillable acres will probably continue to be leased for row-crop farming and pasture acres
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49	Please describe your current farming operations.
50	The tillable acres are farmed by Jerry and Bill Crevier and the pasture is rented by Scott
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53	To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access
54	Pipeline cross?

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55	Based on the most recent maps by Dakota Access and flags placed in the road ditch, the
56	pipeline would enter the NW corner going to the SE corner cutting diagonally across the
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67	whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures
68	on your property.
68 69	on your property.  The land is drain tiled, some of which is clay.
69	The land is drain tiled, some of which is clay.
69 70	The land is drain tiled, some of which is clay.  Open Waterway ditch running south on east side of property.
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69 70 71 72 73 74	The land is drain tiled, some of which is clay.  Open Waterway ditch running south on east side of property.  It currently has 3 housing eligibilities with potential for additional future longer term development since Highway 17 runs on the west side of the property.  Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.

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Future development potential diminished due to restrictions of building on pipeline and lack of desire for homeowners to live near pipeline. There is currently an existing housing development ½ mile NE of our farm, located outside of the City of Tea as well as a second development planned (zoning has been changed to agriculture/residential) ½ mile directly north of our farm. These developments are outside of the City of Tea growth plan. Just because a particular city doesn't have these affected areas in their growth plan, doesn't mean they won't be developed — unless of course pipeline easements restrict the development.

Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile performance and investment.

Yes, it has been drain tiled and parts of it are clay tile. I am concerned that the tile may crumble by excavating the ground near it, construction equipment going over it or by additional underground pressure from settling afterwards.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. Ruptures, oil leaks, environmental damages in the future. As steward of the land our obligation is for also for future generations.

In February, the Wall Street Journal compared oil from 86 locations around the world and found Bakken crude oil to be the most explosive. This was introduced December 11, 2014 in the Assembly Resolution No 191 State of New Jersey 216<sup>th</sup> Legislature.

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103	Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health,
104	safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?
105	Watershed damage as East Beaver Creek drains the Watershed North and West of Tea
106	and flows through our farm, eventually into the Big Sioux River and then the Missouri.
107	Will eliminate the potential for future development due to people not wanting to reside
108	near an oil pipeline.
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110	Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to
111	your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority
112	(i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota
113	Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal
114	fees in defending against this lawsuit?
115	Yes- I have been sued.
116	No- Dakota Access has not provided any legal authority (state statute).
117	Yes- I have incurred legal fees.
118	
119	Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.
120	The fact that their plan is to run the pipeline through Minnehaha and Lincoln county
121	shows total disregard for the welfare of our state, it's inhabitants and the future
122	development in the this area. I'm concerned it will lower my property value.
123	In the past 3 years, three developers have asked us about purchasing our land.
124	Crop loss will be considerably more than 3 years. Farmers on the Lewis & Clark pipeline
125	have said 10 years later, the corn is between 1 and 3 feet shorter than the rest of the field.

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126	No South Dakota funding in place for pipeline accidents? Governor Bill Janklow had to
127	deal with funding when Williams Pipeline problems leaking, etc. had to be found and the
128	Hayward School across the road on W 12 <sup>th</sup> St. had to be closed.
129	June 9th USA Today had an article "7 Major Countries (including US & Germany)
130	pledged the end of Fossil Fuels by the end of the century" Why would we put this huge
131	pipe in the ground with no decommissioning and leave the landowner stuck with it?
132	Also the pipeline company could do anything with it in the future. Their easement gives
133	them the right to enter anywhere on our land anytime, for whatever purpose they
134	claim. This is a takeover of our land.
135	We need a greener/cleaner form of energy to preserve the land, water and air to feed and
136	sustain not just us, but more importantly future generations.
137	
138	Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the
139	formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?
140	No, I will not present testimony during the hearing; however, I will be there to listen.
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142	Does that conclude your testimony?
143	Yes.
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145	Daniel Elaine Patto
146 147	Junes (Java / Ellerson)
147 148	Janies Elaine Petterson
149	Subscribed and sworn before me this 25 day of June, 2015.
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153	Notary Public - South Dakota
154	My Commission Expires: 6.6.18
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#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE

#### HP14-002

### PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Kevin John Schoffelman

## STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

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#### **COUNTY OF Minnehaha**

1	Kevin John Schoffelman, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as
2	follows:
3	Please state your name and address.
4	Kevin John Schoffelman
5	712 W 4th Ave
6	Lennox, SD 57039
7	How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?
8	I am a landowner in Lincoln County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota
9	Access Pipeline.
10	Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming
11	will be continued by younger generations.
12 13 14	4/26/1883 Land was Homesteaded by Philip Eichhorn- he paid \$3.00 per acre- toward the above quarter. He was given a Patent (deed) September, 1887.
15 16	4-16-1896 sold to Paul Nichel for \$1800.
17 18	2/28/1920 Quit claim deed from Rose (daughter of Paul and Sophia Nichel) & Milo Hoffman to Sophia Nichel.

54	Pipeline cross?
53	To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access
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51	Daggett.
50	The tillable acres are farmed by Jerry and Bill Crevier and the pasture is rented by Scott
49	Please describe your current farming operations.
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47	the land starting with the 3 building eligibilities.
46	for cash rent for several years. However discussions have taken place for development of
45	Tillable acres will probably continue to be leased for row-crop farming and pasture acres
44	determined.
43	The question of whether farming will be continued by future generations remains to be
41 42	7/13/2012 - Termination of Joint & Life Estate
40 41	4/13/2012 – Termination of John's Life Estate
39 40	having Life Estate
38 20	Corliss Wiebers, Shirley Oltmanns, Marilyn Murray & Kevin Schoffelman w/John
37	3/23/2004 – John deeded to children - Janice Petterson, Mavis Parry, Linda Goulet,
36 27	2/02/0004 11. 4 1.14. 1.11 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
35	5/18/2004 – termination of Leona's name on deed due to death
34	5/10/0004 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
33	12/4/1959 – John added Leona's name
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31	\$236.50 per acre.
30	6/11/1959 John Schoffelman purchased from his siblings and his mother for \$37,840 -
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28	4-23-1959 Upon Elmer's death his share was conveyed to his mother (Dora).
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26	roads.
25	10-27-1947 Dora Schoffelman sold 1.02 acres (Lot H1) to the state of South Dakota for
24	
23	children remaining 2/3 rds (John, Hilda, Aldrich, Henry, Elmer, Laura, Esther)
22	8-1-1930 Upon Gilbert's death distribution to heirs in 1931 – Dora (wife) 1/3 and to
20 21	4/23/1923 Sopina I violici sola to Gilbert Scholleiman for \$10,000. \$112.50 per acre
19 20	4/23/1923 Sophia Nichel sold to Gilbert Schoffelman for \$18,000. \$112.50 per acre –
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55	Based on the most recent maps by Dakota Access and flags placed in the road ditch, the
56	pipeline would enter the NW corner going to the SE corner cutting diagonally across the
57	entire farm. This area includes crop production land as well as pasture.
58	How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming
59	facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?
60	Approximately 300 yards to the nearest building and 340 yards to the well.
61	It is planned to go under the creek which drains the watershed NW of Tea and flows into
62	the Sioux River.
63	The pipeline would cross the easement held by South Lincoln Rural Water.
64	As stated previously it would cross the grazing area.
65	
66	Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or
67	whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures
68	on your property.
69	The land is drain tiled, some of which is clay.
70	Open Waterway ditch running south on east side of property.
71	It has 3 housing eligibilities with potential for additional future development since
72	Highway 17 runs on the west side of the property.
73	
74	Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be
75	impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.
76	Initially, no access for daily operations on cropland on south half of property. Natural
77	waterways blocked and would need to be reconstructed. The tillable acres won't produce
78	the same and the quality of the pasture will be impaired.

79	Future development potential diminished due to restrictions of building on pipeline and
80	lack of desire for homeowners to live near pipeline.
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82	Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether
83	you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile
84	performance and investment.
85	Yes, it has been drain tiled and parts of it are clay tile. I am concerned that the tile may
86	crumble by excavating the ground near it, construction equipment going over it or by
87	additional underground pressure from settling afterwards.
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89	Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to
90	the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?
91	Yes. Ruptures, oil leaks, environmental damages in the future. As steward of the land
92	our obligation is for also for future generations.
93	In February, the Wall Street Journal compared oil from 86 locations around the world and
94	found Bakken crude oil to be the most explosive. This was introduced December 11,
95	2104 in the Assembly Resolution No 191 State of New Jersey 216th Legislature.
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97	Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health,
98	safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?
99	Watershed damage as East Beaver Creek drains the Watershed North and West of Tea
100	and flows through our farm, eventually into the Big Sioux River and then the Missouri.
101	Will eliminate the potential for future development due to people not wanting to reside
102	near an oil pipeline.

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104	Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to
105	your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority
106	(i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota
107	Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal
108	fees in defending against sais lawsuit?
109	Yes- I have been sued.
110	No- Dakota Access has not provided any legal authority (state statute).
111	Yes- I have incurred legal fees.
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113	Has Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you that it is a "common
114	carrier" under South Dakota law? If so, please describe.
115	No.
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117	Has any representative of Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you or
118	others that you believe are not true? If so, please explain.
119	No.
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121	Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.
122	The fact that their plan is to run the pipeline through Minnehaha and Lincoln county
123	shows total dis-regard for the welfare of our state, it's inhabitants and the future
124	development in the this area. Lincoln County, and specifically north Lincoln County, is
125	one of the fastest growing areas in the nation.
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127	Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the
128	formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?
129	Yes
130	Does that conclude your testimony?
131 132 133 134 135	Yes. Kein Schaffelin
136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145	Subscribed and sworn before me this 44 day of June 2015.  ROXANNE L. JOHNSON Notary Public — South Dakota SOUTH DAKOTA SALE My Commission Expires: Aug. 6. 2016

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

## OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS

#### HP14-002

PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF

	PIPELINE	Linda Ann Goulet
	STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA ) :SS COUNTY OF _Lincoln	)
1	Linda Ann Goulet	, being first duly sworn on his/her oath,
2	deposes and states as follows:	
3	Please state your name and addres	S.
4	Linda Ann Goulet	
5	27332 Atkins Place	
6	Tea, SD 57064	
7	How are you involved with the Dal	cota Access Pipeline project?
8	I am a landowner in Lincoln County,	South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota
9	Access Pipeline.	
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11	Please describe the history of your	family's land ownership, and whether farming
12	will be continued by younger gener	rations.
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14	4/23/1923 Sophia Nichel sold to Gi	libert Schoffelman for \$ 18,000. \$112.50 per acre.

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15	8/1/1930 Upon Gilbert's death distribution to heirs in 1931 – Dora (wife) 1/3 and to
16	children remaining 3/2rds ( John, Hilda, Aldrich, Henry, Elmer, Laura and Esther)
17	6/11/1959 John Schoffelman purchased from his siblings and his mother for \$37,840.
18	236.50 per acre.
19	3/23/2004 John deeded to children – Janice Petterson, Mavis Parry, Linda Goulet,
20	Corliss Wiebers, Shirley Oltmanns, Marilyn Murray & Kevin Schoffelman w/John
21	having Life Estate.
22	4/13/2012 – Termination of John's Life Estate
23	The question of whether farming will be continued by future generations remains to
24	be determined.
25	Tillable acres will probably continue to be leased for row-crop farming. Pasture
26	acres and grasswater ways for cash rent for several years. However discussions
27	have taken place for development of the land starting with the 3 building eligibilities
28	it now holds.
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32	Please describe your current farming operations.
33	The tillable acres are farmed by Jerry and Bill Crevier and the pasture along with
34	the grass waterways is rented by Scott Daggett.
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38	To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access
39	Pipeline cross?
40	Based on the most recent maps by Dakota Access and flags placed in the road ditch,
41	the pipeline would enter the NW corner going to the SE corner cutting diagonally
42	across the entire farm. This area includes crop production land as well as pasture.
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46	How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming
47	facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?
48	Approximately 300 yards to the nearest building and 340 yards to the well.
49	It is planned to go under the creek which drains the watershed NW of Tea and flows
50	into the Sioux River.
51	The pipeline would cross the easement held by South Lincoln Rural Water.
52	As stated previously it would cross the grazing area.
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56	Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or
57	whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures
58	on your property.
59	The land is drain tiled, some of which is clay.
60	Open Waterway ditch running south on east side of property.

61	It has 3 housing eligibilities with potential for future development since State
62	Highway # 17 runs on the west side of the property.
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67	Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be
68	impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.
69	Initially, no access for daily operations on cropland on south half of property.
70	Natural waterways blocked and would need to be reconstructed. The tillable acres
71	won't produce the same and the quality of the pasture will be impaired. Future
72	development potential diminished due to restrictions of building on pipeline and
73	lack of desire for homeowners to live near pipeline.
74	There is currently an existing housing development ½ mile NE of our farm, located
75	outside of the City of Tea; as well as a second development planned (zoning has been
76	changed to agricultural/residential) ½ mile north of our farm. These developments
77	are outside the City of Tea growth plan. Just because a particular city doesn't have
78	these affected areas in their growth plan, doesn't mean they won't be developed -
79	unless of course pipeline easements restrict the development.
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81	Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether
82	you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile

performance and investment.

84 Yes, it has been drain tiled and parts of it are clay tile. I am concerned that the tile 85 may crumble by excavating the ground near it, construction equipment going over it 86 or by additional underground pressure from settling afterwards. 87 88 89 90 91 Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to 92 the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why? 93 Yes, Ruptures, oil leaks, environmental damages in the future. 94 In February, the Wall Street Journal compared oil from 86 locations around the 95 world and found Bakken crude oil to be the most explosive. This was introduced December 11, 2014 in the Assembly Resolution No 191 State of New Jersey 216<sup>th</sup> 96 97 Legislature. 98 99 100 101 102 Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why? Yes, 103 104 Watershed damage as East Beaver Creek drains the Watershed North and West of 105 Tea and flows through our farm, eventually into the Bis Sioux River and then the 106 Missouri. Will eliminate the potential for future development due to people not

wanting to reside near an oil pipeline.

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112	Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to
113	your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority
114	(i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota
115	Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal
116	fees in defending against sais lawsuit?
117	Yes – I have been sued.
118	No – Dakota Access has not provided any legal authority (state stature).
119	Yes – I have incurred legal fees.
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123	Has Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you that it is a "common
124	carrier" under South Dakota law? If so, please describe. No
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128	Has any representative of Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you or
129	others that you believe are not true? If so, please explain. Yes
130	They have stated they contacted all land owners once by letter and twice in person.

131	My experience, letter delivered 12/24/2014. While I was out-of-state my neighbor
132	left message to call # 605-277-1223 an speak to a Chris Hobbs, supervisor for
133	Dakota Access which I did as requested. I have had no other contact with Dakota
134	Access.
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139	Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.
140	Will devalue production ground and subsequent crop production.
141	Will eliminate opportunity for rural residential development.
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146	Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the
147	formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?
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149	Does that conclude your testimony?
150	Yes.
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156	Subscribed and sworn before me this 19 day of June., 2015.
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Notary Public – South Dakota
My Commission Expires: 03-12-2018

#### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE

#### HP14-002

PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Margaret (Andreessen) Hilt

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA) :SS COUNTY OF Lincoln 1 Margaret Hilt, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows: 2 Please state your name and address. 3 Margaret Hilt 4 17500 Co Rd SS 5 Wray, CO 80758 6 How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project? 7 I am a landowner in Lincoln County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota 8 Access Pipeline. 9 Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming will be continued by younger generations. 10 11 My grandfather, Henry Andreessen, homesteaded this land in 1883. He filed on the land 12 (a half section – 320 acres) in 1882 and then moved onto it in 1883. Henry farmed it for 44 years. My parents, Martin and Elsie Andreessen, began farming in 1927, after 13 14 inheriting the land. They retired from farming in 1948, but continued to own the land. 15 My parents rented the land to a farmer, Richard Gores. My sisters, Devona Smith and

Delores Assid, and I inherited the farm in 1988, when my mother passed away. We
continue to rent the farmland to a farmer, Doug Vanderwerff, who grows corn and
soybeans on it. My two sons and my two nieces will someday inherit the farm from my
sisters and me. They plan on continuing to own the land and rent it out.
Please describe your current farming operations.
We rent out the farm for cash rent. The tenant farmer, Doug Vanderwerff, grows corn
and soybeans, and has a little hay land on the half section. This man has been farming
our land for about 30 years and plans to continue to do so.
To the best of your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access
Pipeline cross?
The pipeline would cross the southeast quarter section (160 acres) of the farm from the
northwest corner to the southeast corner, effectively cutting that quarter section in half.
How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming
facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?
The pipeline would run approximately 50 feet from the land surrounding the farm
buildings and the windmill, which provides water for the house.
Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or
whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures
on your property.
My land has cement tile going from a pond north of the house to the road ditch south of
the house. The proposed pipeline would cross this tile. There is also tile a short distance
west of this tile. I'm not sure if the pipeline would cross that tile or not. My sisters and I
have also considered selling one acreage on the northeast corner of the farm.

Please desc	cribe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be	
impaired b	by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.	
Corn and so	oybeans are both grown yearly in alternating areas in that quarter section o	f
the farm. T	The pipeline would severely cut down on crop production of each of them.	
The tenant	would lose acres to plant, receive much less income from that quarter section	ion,
and it woul	ld inconvenience him when trying to farm the land, with the pipeline cuttin	g
hat quarter	r section in half. Consequently, he would be unwilling to pay as much rent	per
acre, so we	would be losing income. No one else would be willing to farm it either, v	vith
hat pipelin	ne running through there. Also, if we did try to sell any acreages, people w	ould
ot want to	buy and build on the land with that pipeline under it. Dakota Access wou	ld
ot allow a	iny buildings on the easement, either.	
Has your f	farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whethe	r
you are co	ncerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain	tile
performan	ice and investment.	
es, this qu	uarter has two areas of drain tile. The pipeline would cross at least one of	
hem. The	tile is cement and quite old. I am very much afraid that the tile would be	
lamaged.	Then the water would not drain out of the low area and could reach the hou	use
and other b	ouildings. It would be very costly to replace the drain tiles if they were	
damaged.	I'm also afraid oil could get into the tiles and into the water if the tiles wer	е
broken.		
Do you bel	lieve that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injur	y to
the enviro	nment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?	
Yes, I defin	nitely believe the pipeline would pose a threat to the environment and the	
inhabitants	s of this farm. The oil could leak onto the land and into the water as it has	often

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done in many other areas. The oil could flow into Little Beaver Creek which runs through the farm. Then it could get into Beaver Creek, and subsequently into the Sioux River and the aquifer. The oil in this pipeline is a highly volatile substance. Pipelines explode, rupture, and leak. Even with shut-off valves, a great deal of oil would escape into the environment. If the pipeline exploded, it could definitely hurt or kill people and animals in the area. Also, the oil could be poisonous and carcinogenic to the people and animals in contact with it. I have designated wetlands on my farm which could be threatened by the pipeline.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?

Yes, it will most definitely impair the financial welfare of the tenant farmer and the landowners (us), due to the amount of land that will be dug up all the way across that quarter section. Crops will not be as good. This could happen again and again, anytime the pipeline company would decide to go back in and dig it up to put more pipes in, or to work on them for some reason. Yet the pipeline company is only offering a onetime lump sum payment. I am also concerned that stray voltage could affect the health, safety, and welfare of the tenant farmer, the residents, and anyone else near the pipeline. As I stated before, the oil itself could affect the health, safety, and welfare of everyone in the area because of the volatility of the oil and the chemicals that the oil contains. Dakota Access cannot guarantee the safety of the pipeline. There have been more pipeline accidents than train accidents involving oil.

Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority (i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota

Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal 87 88 fees in defending against said lawsuit? 89 Yes, Dakota Access has filed a lawsuit against us to allow them to enter our farm to survey it. They have been told "No" two different times, that they could not enter our 90 land. Yes, we have hired a lawyer, Glenn Boomsma, to represent us in this matter. This 91 92 is costing us a great deal of money. 93 Has Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you that it is a "common 94 carrier" under South Dakota law? If so, please describe. 95 No, they did not. 96 Has any representative of Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you or 97 others that you believe are not true? If so, please explain. 98 Yes, first of all they told us we should allow them on my land. If we don't, they will just 99 take it by eminent domain, anyway. However, they do not have the right of eminent 100 domain as of yet. 101 Secondly, they told Rhonda Nielsen, who lives in the house on that quarter section, that 102 my sisters and I had agreed to let Dakota Access enter my land, survey it, and build the 103 pipeline there. They also told her there was nothing she could do about it. Rhonda was 104 very upset that we would do this. We never gave them permission to enter our land, 105 survey it, or build the pipeline there. 106 Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline. 107 South Dakota and Iowa both grow large amounts of corn. Ethanol producers in South 108 Dakota use much of this corn to produce ethanol, which greatly helps the economy of 109 South Dakota. The oil pipeline will benefit the economy of North Dakota and Texas, but will be of only a small benefit to the economy of South Dakota. That oil is a non-110

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111	renewable source of fuel and produces greenhouse gases. Corn is a renewable source of
112	fuel. South Dakota should be putting all of its effort into increasing the supply and
113	demand for ethanol. This would be much more beneficial to the farmers and to the state.
114	Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the
115	formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?
116	No. I am 83 years old and live in Colorado and have no way to get their as it is a great
117	distance to travel.
118	I also gave my permission for, Laurie Kunzelman, to speak on my behalf during the
119	formal hearing. Her address is 3604 East Woodsedge St., Sioux Falls, SD 57108.
120	Does that conclude your testimony?
121 122	Yes.
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124	Margaret Hill
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#### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE

HP14-002

PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Marilyn Jean Murray

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

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COUNTY OF Minnehaha

Marilyn Jean Murray, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows:

Please state your name and address.

Marilyn Jean Murray

1416 S. Larkspur Trl.

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?

I am a landowner in Lincoln County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota

Access Pipeline.

Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming will be continued by younger generations.

4/26/1883 Land was Homesteaded by Philip EichhornHe was given a Patent (deed) September, 1887.

4-16-1896 sold to Paul Nichel for \$1800.

2/28/1920 Quit claim deed from Rose (daughter of Paul and Sophia Nichel) & Milo Hoffman to Sophia Nichel.

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4/13/2012 – Termination of John's Life Estate

The question of whether farming will be continued by future generations remains to be determined.

Tillable acres will probably continue to be leased for row-crop farming and pasture acres for cash rent for several years. However discussions have taken place for development of the land starting with the 3 building eligibilities.

### Please describe your current farming operations.

The tillable acres are farmed by Jerry and Bill Crevier and the pasture is rented by Scott Daggett.

To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access

Pipeline cross?

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Based on the most recent maps by Dakota Access and flags placed in the road ditch, the pipeline would enter the NW corner going to the SE corner cutting diagonally across the entire farm. This area includes crop production land as well as pasture.

How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?

Approximately 300 yards to the nearest building and 340 yards to the well.

It is planned to go under the creek which drains the watershed NW of Tea and flows into the Sioux River.

The pipeline would cross the easement held by South Lincoln Rural Water.

As stated previously it would cross the grazing area.

Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures on your property.

The land is drain tiled, some of which is clay.

Open Waterway ditch running south on east side of property.

It currently has 3 housing eligibilities with potential for additional future longer term development since Highway 17 runs on the west side of the property.

Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.

Initially, no access for daily operations on cropland on south half of property. Natural waterways blocked and would need to be reconstructed. The tillable acres won't produce the same and the quality of the pasture will be impaired.

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Future development potential diminished due to restrictions of building on pipeline and lack of desire for homeowners to live near pipeline. There is currently an existing housing development ½ mile NE of our farm, located outside of the City of Tea as well as a second development planned (zoning has been changed to agriculture/residential) ½ mile directly north of our farm. These developments are outside of the City of Tea growth plan. Just because a particular city doesn't have these affected areas in their growth plan, doesn't mean they won't be developed – unless of course pipeline easements restrict the development.

Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile performance and investment.

Yes, it has been drain tiled and parts of it are clay tile. I am concerned that the tile may crumble by excavating the ground near it, construction equipment going over it or by additional underground pressure from settling afterwards.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. Ruptures, oil leaks, environmental damages in the future. As steward of the land our obligation is for also for future generations.

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Yes- I have been sued.

No- Dakota Access has not provided any legal authority (state statute).

Yes- I have incurred legal fees.

Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.

The fact that their plan is to run the pipeline through Minnehaha and Lincoln county shows total disregard for the welfare of our state, it's inhabitants and the future development in the this area. I'm concerned it will lower my property value.

Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?

No.

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Does that conclude your testimony?

Yes.

Mailyn Jean Musicy
Subscribed and sworn before me this 18 day of June, 2015.

My Commission Expires: 9-

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#### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE

#### HP14-002

## PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Matthew L Anderson

### STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

### **COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA)**

1	Matthew L Anderson, being first duty sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows.
2	Please state your name and address.
3	Matthew L Anderson
4	25985 461 Ave
5	Hartford, SD 57033
6	How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?
7	I am a landowner in Minnehaha County, South Dakota. The proposed Dakota Access
8	Pipeline will cross my land.
9	Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming
10	will be continued by younger generations.
11	January 1992 Elwayne and Marjorie Berens, my grandparents, bought the south 40 acres
12	of my property from Robert and Lois O'Kane. In September, 1995, my grandparents
13	bought the north 40 acres from Robert and Lois O'Kane.
14	I lived on the south 40 acres with my mom and sister from 1992-1995.

15	My grandparents rented out the property with the intentions to eventually sell the home
16	farm located a mile west of my property. They had plans to retire on these 80 acres. Due
17	to their premature deaths due to cancer, my mother inherited the 80 acres in 2003.
18	As of January 2014, I and my wife own the 80 acres and live there with my daughter.
19	We built a new home on the property in 2011.
20	Please describe your current farming operations.
21	Currently our farm is primarily row crop production. Some of the land including the
22	proposed pipeline route is classified by the USDA as Highly Erodible Land. This land is
23	very sensitive and has been in No-till or Conservation Minimum Till since converted to
24	cropland.
25	To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access
26	Pipeline cross?
27	The proposed route is just to the west of our farm buildings and home. It would cross
28	some highly productive farm ground.
29	How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming
30	facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?
31	The proposed route is within 1000 feet of our farm buildings and pond.
32	Also, the route is even closer to a neighboring home and a neighboring shelter belt that is
33	being developed for potential future building.
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35	Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or
36	whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures
37	on your property.

Our property consists of a larger pond (lacre) in the front yard that was once used to water the cattle that my grandfather owned. The pond drains into a creek that runs around our entire farm site and through the middle of our crop ground. This creek then flows into our neighbors property and eventually leads to Skunk Creek. Our house is only 5 years old. We have a healthy shelter belt to protect our farm. We have a large barn, a small building that house our dogs, two large machine sheds and a grain bin. We have plans to add another grain bin in the future. Any spill from the pipeline will harm all of this because the route for the pipeline is scheduled on the northwest hill of our property. Our home, buildings and trees are all down the hill. We have recently put drain tile around our farm land and any spill will go directly into the creek, pond, tile lines along with flow down toward our home and buildings. Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired. Our no-till, conservation minimum till farming operation will be greatly impaired. The organic matter and soil structure that we have worked towards for many years will be destroyed and then the heat from the pipeline will never allow us to bring back the soil to its current state. Also because of the pipeline construction, rock will be brought up to the surface along with weed seeds. From talking with landowners that have had oil pipelines installed on their property, I believe contractors will not remove the rocks or return the land to its original state. Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile performance and investment.

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We have improved the farmland with drain tile. The tile will be affected by construction. The proper slope of the pipe is critical. A change in slope of a fraction of an inch will have an effect on tile performance. Also I am concerned that the tile may be relocated or rerouted (Agricultural Impact Mitigation Plan 6,f,e,4). Tile systems are specifically designed and any change to tile routing will affect tile line performance and what it was installed to do.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. There will be a serious economic and environmental condition that will negatively affect South Dakota. The proposed route will stop growth in some of the fastest growing areas of South Dakota. Land values will be negatively affected for those with the pipeline on their property, and for landowners near the pipeline. With less development and lower property values, this will reduce state and local tax revenues permanently. Dakota Access has stated that the pipeline will be depreciated over time and South Dakota will end up with no tax revenue after a few years. Dakota Access won't be paying tax on what goes through the pipe and landowners won't be fairly compensated

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?

Yes, pipelines do leak. DAPL is putting a large burden on property owners and causing a great deal of expense because of it. Property owners that want to protect their land are forced to hire expensive lawyers and spend considerable time trying to protect their

from a company running a business on their land.

homes. Since our pond and water ways are downhill from the proposed pipeline the oil can and will leak into our water and affect our health. We also have a well on our farm that the oil can get into. Several of our farm buildings and farm land are located in a valley and that will be at great risk of any leaks and spills.

Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to

your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority (i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal fees in defending against sais lawsuit?

Yes, my wife and I have been sued. DAPL has not proven any legal authority supporting its claim. Also we have incurred legal fees in defending our self against this lawsuit.

This is a great example of Dakota Access Pipeline substantially impair the welfare of the

inhabitants of the siting area.

Has any representative of Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you or others that you believe are not true? If so, please explain.

Yes, they have made many statements that I feel are untrue. For example, Mr. Mahmoud stated at the January 22 meeting in Sioux Falls that "Once the pipe's in the ground, you typically don't know it's there." This is not true for grain farmers and ranchers. You will be able to see crop damage for many years. A lot longer than what Energy Transfer is paying farmers for damage. In some cases the land will never be back to its most productive state.

Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.

108	According to Energy Transfer the oil would be destined for Texas refineries. This does
109	not make sense to transport the oil all the way to the south coast. There it will be refined
110	and put on the world market. Some of the refined oil may be sent back to the Midwest,
111	but this would just keep adding cost and increasing the risk of spills.
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113	Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the
114	formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?
115	Yes, if need be.
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117	Does that conclude your testimony?
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### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE

#### HP14-002

#### PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF

MAVIS ARLENE PARRY

### STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

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#### COUNTY OF Minnehaha

1	MAVIS ARLENE PARRY, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as
2	follows:
3	Please state your name and address.
4	MAVIS ARLENE PARRY
5	3 Mission Mountain RD
6	Clancy, Montana 59634
7	How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?
8	I am a landowner in Lincoln County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota
9	Access Pipeline.
0	Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming
1_	will be continued by younger generations.
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3 4	the above quarter. He was given a Patent (deed) September, 1887.
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103	Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health,
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112	(i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota
113	Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal
114	fees in defending against this lawsuit?
115	Yes- I have been sued.
116	No- Dakota Access has not provided any legal authority (state statute).
117	Yes- I have incurred legal fees.
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119	Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.
120	The fact that their plan is to run the pipeline through Minnehaha and Lincoln county
121	shows total disregard for the welfare of our state, it's inhabitants and the future
122	development in the this area. I'm concerned it will lower my property value.
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124	Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the
125	formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?
126	No

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#### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN	HP14-002
ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE	PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Nancy J. Stofferahn

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
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COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA )

Nancy J. Stofferahn, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows:

Please state your name and address.

Nancy J. Stofferahn 45938 SD Hwy 38 Humboldt, SD 57035

### How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?

I am a landowner in Minnehaha County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline. My husband and I have been married for 40 years and even though my name might not be as owner on all parcels of land or businesses involved I have contributed in all decisions and financial obligations in regard to the land and businesses.

Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming will be continued by younger generations.

My husband, Tom Stofferahn, and myself built our home on an acreage on Highway 38 in 1980. I have been part of the farm operation for 40 years and the seed business, Nortec Seeds for 17 years. Estate plans have been made by my husband and myself for our two

sons to inherit ownership in both businesses. Estate plans have been made that my husband will inherit my ownership in our home and land.

#### Please describe your current farming operations.

Stofferahn Farms Partnership is owned by four family members and conducts the farming operations. This partnership farms approximately 2800 acres in Minnehaha, McCook and Turner counties in South Dakota. Stofferahn Farms grows soybeans for Nortec Seeds, Inc. to use as seed. I have done the accounting for the farming operation for 30 years and the seed business for 17 years and am very knowledgeable about all aspects of both businesses.

## To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access Pipeline cross?

From verbal conversations with Dakota Access contract easement employee, Edwina Scroggins, the pipeline easement will run from north to south through the 118.36 acre land parcel owned by my husband and my brother in law that runs along Highway 38 utilizing approximately 4 acres of tillable crop land. She stated it will run right behind our 3.8 acre acreage where my home is situated and behind the seed business, Nortec Seeds, Inc. where I am an employee.

How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?

I do not know the exact vardage.

Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures on your property.

#### Nortec Seeds, Inc.

In South Dakota the Stofferahn family has been in the seed business for over 40 years that began with my father in law. In 1998 when my husband purchased 50% of the business from his father the location was moved next to our home on Highway 38 in a 60x120 Morton shed that was built. Later the shed became a part of Stofferahn Farms Partnership and 3.96 acres was deeded to the partnership named Tract 1 where the shed sits today. Nortec Seeds, Inc. rents this shed to conduct its business. Beginning in the summer of 2014 before any knowledge of Dakota Access pipeline we began making plans for an expansion. The only available expansion is to the north because the land only goes 30 feet east, to the west there is a slough and to the south Highway 38. The expansion includes a new 60x152 Morton storage shed and another structure to house a soybean cleaning and treatment center with 6 bulk hopper bins. The expansion will include new offices and parking for semis and trucks. To the North of these new structures Nortec plans to have all research and test plots for customer and public viewing. Since we have a unique situation where my husband owns both the land and business more land can be deeded to Tract 1 to expand the business location when needed. Without this expansion Nortec cannot be competitive in the seed industry and

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would have to move to a new location. To find this same excellent location would be costly along with constructing a whole new warehouse facility. At the present time expansion has not begun because of now knowing that the pipeline will behind the business. If my two sons who plan to continue the business do not have the opportunity to expand in 10-30 years than there is no use wasting capital on a South Dakota business that cannot grow. Without expansion Nortec Seeds could possibly lose millions of dollars in sales over the life of the easement and to relocate would cost hundreds of thousands of dollars.

#### 118.36 Acre Parcel of Land

This land was purchased by my husband and his brother in 1975. It is my husband's present intentions that this land will be passed on to me. In 45 years of farming they have picked rock and made improvements so that it is a highly productive parcel of agriculture land. It is along Highway 38 where there is continued growth and in the future has the potential for development property. There is one housing eligibility on the land. My son had plans this year to use the housing eligibility to build a home on an acreage near where the pipeline is entering the land to the north. Of course that will no longer be a possibility. Because of the liability of the pipeline I believe it will reduce the property value of the land and the housing eligibility.

#### 3.8 Acreage with Home, 66x99 Morton Shed and Shelter Belt

My husband and I built this home on the acreage in 1980 on Highway 38. In July, 2014, we started a renovation of the home before any knowledge of the pipeline. We put in a large amount of our retirement money for this project treating it as an investment. The renovation included new roof, steel shingles, new siding and windows, and brick-stone front with pillars. The inside was completely gutted and redone with solid wood floors, larger rooms, granite counters, stone archway to the kitchen. It has a two tier landscaping to the east and north, stamped concrete patios and there is a 66x99 Morton shed behind the house. Because of the good location we believed this would be a good investment. Now common sense is telling us who would ever want to buy a high-end home and acreage with a pipeline behind it and we are afraid that our retirement money will be lost.

## Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.

The main concern I have is for the liability issues in regard to farming the land, compaction of the soil and whether the land will ever produce. If Stofferahn Farms hits the pipeline while doing normal farming practices is it liable for damages to neighbors or other landowners? Our insurance agent has told me that there is no insurance that we can obtain to cover this liability. The land in question has a mortgage on it for the purchase of other land. Our lending bank has said they will not sign off on the easement. From what I have learned in the proposed easement by Dakota Access there is nothing that addresses their liability for an oil event. From what I heard about the easement from other landowners is that the entire 118.36 acre parcel legal description is used in the easement not the 50 feet pipeline description. Dakota Access does not sign the easement. Dakota Access has the right to amend the easement to install more 30 inch pipelines on the 50 foot easement.

I have invested in ethanol plants with my husband to help with our nation's energy concerns and establish better corn prices. As far as I know the pipeline has no plans to

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transport ethanol. In fact the oil industry has lobbied for less blending of ethanol which in turn lowers corn prices and hurts Stofferahn Farms economically.

Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile performance and investment.

Yes. There are two tiles. At the present time I do not believe the pipeline path will cross the tiles.

## Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. If there is a leak or oil event it will naturally run through the drainage tiles and tributaries that go into West Skunk Creek, Skunk Creek, Sioux River and could affect water aquifers for Sioux Falls and Minnehaha County communities. Bakken oil has been found to be one of the most explosive oils. It has exploded in rail cars and I believe it can do the same in a pipeline. I do not feel comfortable with the pipeline close to my home and place of work. I would not want my children and grandchildren living by a pipeline.

# Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. 570,000 barrels a day, 1440 psi, welded together segments so it is only the matter of where and when the oil events will happen. Will it be in the James River, Sioux River, Missouri River, Mississippi River or next to my home, working place or land? The land would never be able to be put back to the original natural resource it once was and could not probably be farmed. Five Stofferahn families depend on the income from Nortec Seeds so if we were unable to conduct day to day business it would greatly affect the welfare of all the families.

Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority (i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal fees in defending against said lawsuit?

No.

## Has Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you that it is a "common carrier" under South Dakota law? If so, please describe.

Yes. I attended the Hartford Chamber of Commerce meeting where Chuck Frye, Vice-President of Energy Transfer, made a presentation to the chamber on May 21, 2015. He stated that Dakota Access was a public common carrier. I asked him if they were public and not private and he stated that South Dakota recognizes them as a public common carrier. Several times during the presentation he referred to Dakota Access as a public common carrier.

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# Has any representative of Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you or others that you believe are not true? If so, please explain.

Yes. At the same Hartford Chamber meeting described in the previous question.

Mr. Frye was asked why they were taking this route for the pipeline being so close to Sioux Falls, a high population area, and not going farther west. His answer was that there would be more landowners to sign easements farther west. From my experience working in the seed business I do not believe this is true.

Mr. Frye was asked where the 4000 jobs for South Dakota would come from. He stated that they were reviewing contracts with different firms to put in the pipeline and the jobs are specialized and unionized. He stated that they would go to the local union places in South Dakota to pick up union workers from there. I do not believe there are many union places in the small towns of South Dakota to fill the temporary jobs quoted.

Mr. Frye was asked about if there was an oil event and oil in drainage tiles going to West Skunk Creek, Skunk Creek and the Sioux River. Mr. Frye stated that they would be able to stop oil in drainage tiles by finding the drainage tile and digging it up. I do not believe that Mr. Frye understands how farm drainage tiles work. Many drainage tiles are connected together to flow to an outlet point. I am not sure how oil could be found in them, how much land would have to be dug up or if they would ever have a plan to replace them if they were dug up before water damage would be done to the land.

Mr. Frye stated that a pipeline will not explode. I do not believe that to be factual.

Mr. Frye stated that the oil pipeline will not affect any property values because there are pipelines in Texas and it hasn't affected their values. I have talked to an auctioneer and three bankers/loan officers which have told me it is a complete unknown at this time. These bankers told me that their institutions are trying to decide if they will want to give a loan to someone who wanted to purchase land with the pipeline on it. Fewer bidders would affect the value of the land. South Dakota in this area has high productive agriculture land while Texas has more rangeland and wasteland.

Dakota Access has been running an advertisement. It states:
"Benefits for South Dakota's Economy
DAPL will bring \$189 million in direct payments to landowners"
The \$189 million estimate is for North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa and Illinois combined not just South Dakota. In Energy Transfer's own presentation brochure it states income to South Dakota landowners for permanent easements and damages at approximately \$47 million. I believe this is misleading to the citizens of South Dakota.

Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline. Dakota Access says it is a necessity that the land is needed so they can conduct their business on it. In 30 years they could conceivably make \$25 Billion dollars from this

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pipeline over the land yet their offer to us is a minimal one-time payment. There is an argument to be made that our land is a natural resource just like oil so why are we not obtaining a royalty for our land.

I am a life-long resident of South Dakota and have worked along side my husband to grow our family businesses for our children and grandchildren. I am concerned that our land will be taken by eminent domain. I think about what damages and health risks that will be left to my children and grandchildren years from now. Public opinions and reactions can change very quickly on issues. Recently Pope Francis and world leaders are trying to lead us for a better environment. I believe when there is an oil event in South Dakota it will be the future legacy of the present South Dakota government.

SDCL 49-41B-22 Applicant's burden of proof.

(2) The facility will not pose a threat of serious injury to the environment nor to the social and economic condition of inhabitants or expected inhabitants in the siting area;

This paragraph in the above-named statute protects myself and my family from the economic harm that will be caused by Dakota Access pipeline to Nortec Seeds, Inc., and the retirement investment that has been made in our home.

Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015? Yes.

Does that conclude your testimony? Yes.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 29th day of June, 2015.

Notary Public - South Dakota

My Commission Expires: 10-1517

#### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

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#### HP14-002

## PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF PEGGY HOOGESTRAAT

### COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA ) 1 Peggy Hoogestraat, being first duly sworn on her oath, deposes and states as follows: 2 Please state your name and address. 3 Peggy Ann Hoogestraat 27575 462<sup>nd</sup> Avenue 4 Chancellor, SD 57015 5 6 7 How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project? 8 I am a landowner in Minnehaha County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota 9 Access Pipeline. 10 11 Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming 12 will be continued by younger generations. 13 Peggy's parents, Elwayne and Marjorie Berens, purchased 320 acres in Humboldt

Township from Roger Cronn and Velma Cronn in February, 1970. Elwayne and

15 Marjorie, along with their two daughters, Peggy and Pamela, then moved there from 16 Parker, South Dakota. 17 In March, 1979 Elwayne and Marjorie purchased 120.24 acres adjoining to the north of their 320 acres. This was purchased from Willard Heiden and Donna Heiden with a 18 19 contract for deed. The contract was paid in full by May 6, 1989. 20 The north 102.24 acres had a railroad line (Chicago and Northwestern Transportation Co) 21 along the north edge of the property. In 1983, the Berens' purchased the railroad right-22 of-way along that north edge due to the abandoning of the railroad line. 23 Due to the premature deaths of their parents, sisters Peggy and Pamela inherited the 24 above described property. With the distribution of all property, Peggy received the north 25 160 acres as well as the 120.24 acres purchased in 1979. 26 Peggy has rented the cropland and pasture to Robert Person (Pamela's husband) and 27 Matthew Anderson (Peggy's son). Because of the close proximity to Sioux Falls and Hartford, some of the property is more 28 29 desirable. Peggy has received inquiries into the purchase of the Humboldt Township 30 property. One party was interested in the entire property (see Exhibit 1 hereto) while 31 others desired the property along the northern edge which is bordered by Highway 38 32 (see Exhibit 2 hereto). After four inquiries, Peggy stopped keeping track of the number 33 of inquiries. Peggy's intentions are to possibly build a home for herself along Highway 34 38, or if that is not accomplished, to pass the property on to the grandchildren. There are 35 seven eligibilities listed for the 280.24 acres owned by Peggy. 36 The Peggy A. Revocable Trust is set up to allow Peggy's children to receive income from 37 the land trust as specified in the trust. The residual cash assets and principal upon

38 termination of the land trust will go to the grandchildren. Upon Peggy's death, Matthew 39 Anderson has a lease option to rent all agricultural land held in the Family Trust. 40 Easements on the property include a Right of Way agreement on March 31, 1896 with 41 Northwestern Telephone Exchange for construction, operation and maintenance of its 42 telephone and telegraph lines. Another Right of Way Easement agreement was signed by Peggy with the Minnehaha 43 44 Community Water, Corp. on February 16, 2006 (see Exhibit 3 hereto). This easement 45 area runs along the North boundary of the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 46 102 North, Range 52 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Minnehaha County, South 47 Dakota. 48 49 Please describe your current farming operations. 50 My son, Matthew Anderson, farms the cropland. He works on improving the soil for 51 better crop production through humus left behind, proper tillage and fertilizer. He assists 52 me in fencing and the installation of agricultural tiles. This not only improves the 53 production of the land but it helps improve downstream water quality. Brother-in-law, 54 Robert Person, rents the pasture. He assists with the fencing as well as controls the 55 weeds and fertilizes the pasture as needed. 56 57 Because Matthew Anderson and Robert Person have always been good stewards of the 58 land, I have allowed a very reasonable rental rate through the years. 59

To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access

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Pipeline cross?

The pipeline will enter my property from the north along Highway 38. It will cross where the only entrance along Highway 38 is located. The pipeline will cut through 47 acres of cropland. In 2013 and 2014, this field was tiled and the abandoned railroad bed was leveled. The pipeline will then cross a new fence that was installed in 2014. The pipeline will enter my pasture ground and cross a wetland area that includes a tributary of Skunk Creek. There are several springs in the pasture including a spring just to the east of the construction site. There are two cattle stock dams (dug outs) along the pipeline area (see Exhibit 4 hereto). An overflow of waters from Beaver Lake goes through this area as well. Ag tiles located to the south and west drain into the pasture. The pipeline would cross highly erodible hills. The pipeline will continue south and east. It will exit my property by crossing another new fence installed in 2014. The pipeline will then cross a minimum maintenance road. This road has been improved by landowners who have needed this road for transportation of farm vehicles and equipment. This road is not desirable for heavy traffic.

How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?

The pipeline will run within feet of the stock dams located in the pasture. One of the dams may even be destroyed by the path. The pipeline would cross a Skunk Creek tributary. It would also be within yards of a spring on the east. It will be crossing a large portion of the pasture.

Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures on your property.

The north 120.24 acres has both tillable land and pasture land (see Exhibit 5 hereto). The topography is gently rolling to very rolling. The stock dam was recently cleaned out.

The pasture has a new fence on the east and north sides. The pasture has a creek that runs through it and has never been farmed. A spring on the east side of the pasture keeps the ground saturated. This tract also had tiling done (completed in 2014) and has a minimum maintenance road on the east boundary (dirt road). The tillable land is clean and productive and the pasture has been well kept-managed as well. The land as it is today is in its highest and best use. As there is an interest in new home sites along Highway 38, some acres with building eligibilities could be sold. As mentioned earlier, I could have sold property along Highway 38 many times but I wanted to keep it for myself or future generations-specifically my grandchildren of whom I have three at this time. I actually have seven eligibilities with the 280.24 acres that I own and I would need to work with Minnehaha County to be able to use all of the eligibilities. Some of the eligibilities are considered "conditional" because of the location within the property.

The south 160 acres has a mixture of tillable crop land and pasture. The topography is gently rolling to rolling and is a clean, well farmed-managed tract. This pasture also has a good recently cleaned out stock dam which includes about 8 acres in a grass waterway. There is a minimal maintained road on the east side for access. There is a new fence on the pasture on the east side.

107 Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be 108 impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired. 109 Improvements on the land discussed have been a process for generations. Since 2012, I 110 have made over \$50,000.00 worth of improvements in the area that the pipeline would 111 cross. That does not include my own personal labor. Cleaning out the stock dams for a 112 water source for cattle cost \$4,196.44. Disturbance of soil in the area of the dams will 113 probably change the flow of water which kept the dams full. Construction will probably 114 destroy the south stock dam. A fresh water source for cattle in the pasture would be 115 impaired. 116 Agricultural tiles in the pipeline area were improved in the years 2013 and 2014 at a cost 117 of approximately \$24,578.67 (see Exhibit 6 hereto). These tiles will be directly affected 118 by the pipeline and will no longer serve their purpose. Most of those tiles will be 119 destroyed in the process. If tiles are replaced, as settling occurs, those tiles will also fail. 120 An easement agreement and cost would prohibit me from future agricultural tile 121 replacement. 122 Drainage of additional tiles from the south and west of the installation area will be 123 affected if the end of their drain system is damaged. Production of crops would be 124 greatly impaired by improper drainage and improper replacement of the soil. Production 125 records for the 47 acre field by Highway 38 show that in 2013 soybean yields were up 126 because of the installation of the tiles (see Exhibit 7 hereto). The 2014 corn records show 127 a yield increase (see Exhibit 8 hereto). Notice that more acres were planted in that field 128 in 2014 because of the dirt work done to remove the railroad bed (see Exhibit 9 hereto). 129 Dirt work was done to level the abandoned railroad bed at a cost of \$3,581.64 (see 130 Exhibit 10 hereto). The crop production will be reduced in the area because of a hasty

installation of a pipeline. The buildup of humus and nutrients will not be regained within 131 132 three years. 133 A wetland determination costing \$848.20 was done to determine what and where tiling 134 could be done (see Exhibit 11 hereto). All of the work done by county and local 135 authorities will have been in vain. Hills, slopes and water areas will be changed forever. Heat release from the oil pipes will dry out the soil and affect the productivity of the 136 137 cropland and pastures. Rocks brought to the surface in the cropland and the pasture will need to be removed. I 138 139 am concerned the contractor will not do that adequately. 140 The pipeline will cross two areas of new fences installed just last year at the cost of 141 \$17,132.00 (see Exhibit 12 hereto). Wires cut to allow construction machinery through 142 will weaken the whole system of fencing along the route. 143 Weed seeds that have sat vacant for years will be brought to the surface and will cost 144 additional money to control. 145 Continuing to feed the same number of cattle will not be possible during construction or 146 even for years as the grass grows back (see Exhibit 13 hereto). Grass seed purchased in 147 other states will not have the same variety traits needed to produce properly in South 148 Dakota soils and conditions. This will impair the operations of my brother-in-law (not to 149 mention other farmers and ranchers across the state). 150 The water sources for the cattle will be cut off during the construction of the pipeline. 151 The water sources are on the far east side of the pastures. 152 Because of highly erodible conditions throughout much of the pasture, damage will result because of constant erosion until the ground cover returns. 153

condition.

I am not able to purchase liability insurance to cover expenses involved with a Dakota Access Pipeline spill, leak or explosion on my property. My farm policy excludes coverage for "Pollutant." I could be sued by a neighbor or others if damage is done to neighboring land. I do not want to pass that liability on to my grandchildren.

Because of liability issues, lending institutions could choose not to allow or continue loans connected with the property.

The only north driveway will be compromised for months as the installation process proceeds.

In recent years, neighbors and myself worked on improving the safety of the minimum maintenance road along the east side of my property, specifically along the side of the 160 acre property. The road is needed to continue farm operations such as planting and harvesting as well as hauling cattle. The destruction of this fragile road system is at risk.

Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile performance and investment.

The surrounding landowners will be impaired if the road is not returned to its prior

Tiling has been done on this property even before my parents owned the land. My parents continued to improve the tiling system during their ownership. In 2013 and 2014, I completed additional tiling on the north 120.24 acres, as mentioned in a previous answer (see Exhibit 14 hereto). The process could not be completed in 2013 because of wet conditions. At the same time, the railroad bed was leveled and tiling was installed in that area as well. These tiles were placed approximately 3.5 to 3.75 feet deep. In some

parts where a hill was crossed, the tiles may be up to 3.5 to 6 feet deep. All of this was

completed according to the rules and regulations of the Minnehaha Conservation District.

Tiling is also located on the southwest portion of my property. This continues through
the pasture and releases the water in the proposed construction area. Another area of
tiling is located on the south edge of the pasture, very near the last segment of the
pipeline.

Tiling removes only excess water. It does not reduce the amount of plant-available

Tiling removes only excess water. It does not reduce the amount of plant-available water. Well-drained soil encourages deep and healthy root systems. Tiling systems to the north and south of my property have worked together for years to provide effective management practices of erosion, water runoff, and quality water.

I believe that most South Dakota tiles in the area of the pipeline construction will be destroyed with the installation of the pipeline. The remaining tile will not function properly because of the disturbance of the whole system. This will not only impair my farming operation but the quality of life for families in the surrounding area.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

At the January 13, 2015 meeting with the Minnehaha County Commission, Lincoln County Commission, and the Sioux Falls City Council, Joey Mahmoud explained that the Dakota Access Pipeline will be a large pipeline that will be used to ship about one-third of the Bakken crude oil produced today. He also explained that if problems arise, it would take several minutes to shut down the valves on the 30" pipe. Any leak, spill or explosion would involve a large amount of volatile crude oil before the entire flow would stop. At that meeting, Joey and other Dakota Acess employees did not answer the

question as to how far apart the valves are along the pipeline. They explained that valves were placed before and after certain water bodies to decrease the amount of damage.

A decrease in the amount of damage is not reassuring to me when it is near a private well, a tributary, creek, lake, river or anywhere.

Because of the large amount of crude oil passing through the pipeline each day, there is a threat of serious injury to the environment and the inhabitants within the siting area. The present state and local governments are powerless to protect citizens at this time.

Recent projects to improve water quality on the Big Sioux River and Skunk Creek will be in vain because of future leaks or spills and because of the destruction of connected agricultural tiles throughout southeastern South Dakota during the installation process.

Erosion in the siting area will cause injury to the environment.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health,

safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?

Previous pipeline accidents have shown there is no doubt that the health and safety of people and animals will be impaired when accidents occur. Pipeline accidents are not rare. I do not claim to be an expert on the complications involved but the dangers are obvious. There are deer, fox, geese, ducks, coyote, gophers and various birds in the area of my property.

The welfare of inhabitants of the siting area will be greatly impaired as well.

Landowners involved with the pipeline installation, as well as surrounding neighbors, will experience a loss in value of their property. Who will want to live around such a large pipeline carrying a dangerous product? Just because it will be out of sight doesn't mean it won't be a problem. Local counties, townships and schools will receive less

226 property tax from citizens of the area. Claims are made that the values will not go down 227 but that is because that has not been tested yet. We now have a big test to face in the 228 future. 229 Claims are made that schools, townships and counties will benefit from the taxes paid on 230 personal property owned by Dakota Access in the state of South Dakota. That personal 231 property will depreciate through the years, thus decreasing the amount of taxes received 232 within the state considerably. This appears to be a "Robin Hood" activity-taking from 233 the landowners and giving to the schools, townships and counties. Meanwhile, a Texas 234 company will profit from the use of the landowner's property. 235 Southeastern farmers have invested a lot in agricultural tiles in recent years. Crop 236 farmers will receive less income once their fields are disturbed. In our lifetime, the soil 237 will not be back to its present state of productivity. Farmers need to meet the needs of a 238 hungry world. The disturbed tile lines will not drain properly. Some land areas will 239 become new wetlands because the present agricultural tiles will no longer work together. 240 Grasslands will also be less productive, resulting in a hardship for those who rely on that 241 source for the herds of cattle, sheep or bison that they have worked so hard to build up. 242 The welfare of the farmers of South Dakota will be affected if farmland is handed over to 243 Dakota Access/Energy Transfer for their profit. Farmers would receive more benefits if 244 the land was used for crops including corn for ethanol. Ethanol saves consumers money 245 while offering an opportunity for farmers to sell their corn locally. That not only relieves 246 the congestion of rail cars but it keeps the price of corn at profitable margin. Support of 247 ethanol keeps land values and farm income from going down. Support of ethanol keeps 248 the jobs in South Dakota. Most of the jobs created by the proposed pipeline will be done 249 by out of state employees. Refer to the comments sent to the PUC throughout the

250 process. Many of the comments have come from out of state employees wanting a job in 251 South Dakota. The economic opportunities of out of state employees seem to have 252 priority over the South Dakota citizens. 253 254 Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to 255 your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority 256 (i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota 257 Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal 258 fees in defending against sais lawsuit? 259 Yes 260 (1) No 261 (2) Yes 262 263 Has Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you that it is a "common 264 carrier" under South Dakota law? If so, please describe. 265 I have only heard statements about that in public meetings or have seen it written in some 266 papers. 267 268 Has any representative of Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you or 269 others that you believe are not true? If so, please explain. 270 I have heard from Joey Mahmoud, Edwina Scroggins (land agent), and a select few 271 landowners that Dakota Access Pipeline will do everything it can to accommodate the 272 landowners. Edwina was told by me that I have plans for future homes along Highway 273 38. She was also told about the recently installed agricultural tiles (see Exhibit 15

274 hereto). She offered a revised map showing the pipeline moved over a short distance (see 275 Exhibit 16 hereto). When it came time for the installation, the revision would not have 276 made any difference. 277 The Stofferahn family north of my property will have their business development plans 278 extremely altered due to the lack of accommodation by Dakota Access Pipeline. 279 Widows are going to experience less income from their farmland which will be crossed 280 by the pipeline. No one is accommodating them. Families with plans of development for 281 future homes, buildings or shelter belts have been told their plans cannot be 282 accommodated. Only a select few landowners have actually been "accommodated". I 283 wonder how you get on that list of landowners. 284 Another comment made is that the pipeline route was reviewed and researched before the 285 actual route was determined. It appears that a line was drawn across the Midwest states 286 and then Dakota Access began the process of applying for a permit. Out dated maps 287 were used in the permit process. One map used still showed a railroad that had been 288 abandoned in the 1980's. Research would have shown that the route would cross: 289 1. Highly populated areas 290 2. Growth areas of towns in South Dakota 291 3. Highly productive farm ground in all states involved 292 4. Agricultural tiles connected throughout all of the states involved 293 Dakota Access has purposely kept landowners uninformed. Difficulty in finding 294 information in the process has caused a lot of confusion and frustration. More complete 295 information about the process was not available until after the application for a permit

approached. Maps found online are not only outdated but are difficult to read.

was presented to the PUC in December, 2014. Many landowners had already been

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An Energy Transfer handout given at the January 13, 2015 joint meeting of the

Minnehaha County Commission, Lincoln County Commission, and the Sioux Falls City

Council was different than the handout given at the January 22, 2015. That caused a

problem in the presentation given by Joy Hohn at the 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

Most landowners have had to keep up with their jobs and have not had the time needed to research the whole project. To add to the disappointments, the State of South Dakota is very incomplete in informing the landowners.

It should not be assumed that all citizens subscribe to newspapers or know how to use a computer. Many misaddressed certified letters (to notify of upcoming public meetings) for landowners directly affected by the pipeline and surrounding landowners were not delivered in a timely manner (see Exhibit 17 hereto). At that time, I had to convince a nearby landowner that, in fact, the pipeline was crossing his property. Despite the fact that he was never asked for survey permission, he believes surveying has been completed on his land. Another landowner was told to sign the easement or he would get less money later, especially if he fights the pipeline.

Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.

My greatest concern is that if the PUC grants, with conditions, the permit to install the Dakota Access Pipeline, conditions placed by the PUC will not necessarily be met. The PUC does not police the installation or have state inspectors on the job to make sure the conditions are met. Easement agreements will not be enforced. We have thus given an out of state business the opportunity to use our land and resources as it so chooses. There will be no turning back. There are additional pipelines already planned.

321 January handouts from Energy Transfer state a project objective-"Interconnect with third-322 parties for redelivery of crude oil to processing facilities and refineries located in the 323 Midwest and Gulf Coast for production of motor fuels and other crude oil derivatives that 324 support the U.S. economy" (see Exhibits 18 and 19 hereto). It has been understood that 325 the crude oil would go to the Gulf Coast and later could be available as fuel for any 326 country. Energy Transfer sometimes changes the story-for example-some North 327 Dakotans have been told that the oil will be going to Illinois for distribution to refineries in the eastern states. This was read in a May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 article that I cannot copy because 328 329 of copyright laws. My concern is that Energy Transfer changes the story to cover the 330 possibility of the crude oil crossing the United States only to be used eventually by a 331 foreign country. We have no guarantee that the oil will stay in the United States. 332 I am concerned that the proposed pipeline's capacity may be increased beyond 570,000 333 barrels per day by adding additional pump stations at closer intervals along the pipeline 334 route and by injecting higher levels of drag reducing agents. 335 I am concerned of the possibility of additional pipes installed within the easement in the 336 future as well as other types of fluid transported throughout the pipes. 337 The state of South Dakota does not have funds to cover future oil spills, leaks, or 338 explosions. 339 There is no safe way to transport crude oil. The United States, in coordination with 340 Canada, has developed new regulations that govern the transportation of crude oil. 341 ethanol and other flammable liquids by rail. The rule focuses on safety improvements 342 designed to prevent accidents, mitigate consequences in the event of an accident and 343 support emergency response.

344 I am concerned about the outdoor storage of pipe shipped in for the use of the proposed 345 pipeline. Premature aging and deterioration due to the elements will be experienced 346 before all of the pipe will be installed. 347 South Dakota may not experience problems with the pipeline while "on our watch" but 348 the problems will come. I hold the PUC very responsible for the future of South Dakota. 349 I am concerned that Dakota Access has convinced many landowners that there is no need 350 for concern. Landowners have been told that they have no choice in the process and that 351 their land will be taken by eminent domain anyway. 352 My concern is that, eventually, we will have tourists coming to South Dakota to view the 353 oil spills, leaks and explosions rather than going to see Mount Rushmore. I favor sales 354 tax paid by tourists rather than property tax paid by a Texas company. 355 I am concerned for the Dewey C. Gevik Outdoor Conservation Learning Area in 356 Minnehaha County. The Gevik Learning Area makes possible an interpretive educational 357 experience that is open to the public, featuring several conservation practices such as the 358 restoration of a wetland, grassed waterway with a rock weir structure, rock crossings, 359 shelterbelts, native grass plantings, and hiking trails. Located just one-half mile west of 360 Wall Lake, the Learning Area showcases natural resources at their finest while also 361 filtering the water flowing into Wall Lake. Three walking trails offer access to all the 362 diverse environments, and ninety-four species of birds have been documented by bird 363 watching clubs. Observation decks have been constructed so people can relax as they 364 enjoy watching wildlife in their natural habitat. The proposed Dakota Access Pipeline 365 will cross through the area just described. 366 Neighboring landowners have no rights in regards to the pipeline. It is alarming how 367 close many already established homes will be to the pipeline. In the past, I have had to

368 get permission from the neighbors downstream before I could install agricultural tile. 369 Now they have no rights, even if this pipeline is within feet of their property or home. 370 These neighbors will receive no compensation for the loss of property value or loss of 371 safety. 372 The land agent told me there would be inspectors on the site. Dakota Access or the 373 contractor will provide the inspectors-the land agent stated that she was an inspector for 374 her own husband's construction company (one of the companies hired by Dakota 375 Access). I did not have comfort in knowing the connection between the husband and 376 wife. At the January 13<sup>th</sup> joint meeting, Joey Mahmoud stated that possibly not all contractors 377 378 will do everything right. This was said as questions were asked about roads and a 379 possible negative impact. There will be many construction companies involved. Joev 380 mentioned that he could deduct from their (the contractors) pay if the job was not done 381 right. Joey stated that Dakota Access would make it right. My concern is that the 382 damage cannot be reversed. This could include improper procedures done on the roads, 383 across water or electrical lines, or with the landowner. 384 I am concerned that most easement agreements are one-sided and are similar to a 385 permanent land take-over. 386 Additional concerns have been addressed in each question presented in the 387 Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents to Dakota Access LLC. 388

Why have you become involved with this process so extensively?

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Because I care about others as I have been taught. My example of farm ownership and management is not much different than many South Dakotans. I am just a steward of the

land. God has given me this land to use as a tool in life.

I have lived in eastern South Dakota all of my life. I have watched farm families that have made plans for their future and the future generations-it is called a transition process. Those families have spent their savings, time and energy to improve and pass the land on to the next generation or to sell the property for their retirement. They have considered changes will come because of death, illness, or even undesirable weather conditions. One change they did not expect was their plans would be stopped because of an out of state business wanting to do business through their land. Dakota Access and Energy Transfer have thrown money at the issues and claim they have fairly reimbursed the farmers for the inconvenience.

I am concerned that the installation of the Dakota Access Pipeline will, in fact, deter the progress that generations of South Dakotans have accomplished. I am concerned that the proposed large capacity pipeline will move a dangerous and explosive product across the highly populated eastern South Dakota.

South Dakota has a responsibility to use its resources to produce food. We must wisely use our natural resources for agriculture and tourism. South Dakota has experienced an orderly development of this region. Today's decisions could set a precedent for additional pipelines coming to South Dakota.

We can hope there is no oil spill, but hope is not a plan.

Are you able to provide any documentation to support your testimony above.

Yes. Attached hereto and incorporated herewith are the following documents;

414	Exhibit 1: May 4, 2015 letter to Robert Person;
415	Exhibit 2: May 4, 2015 letter to Dave Benning;
416	Exhibit 3: February 16, 2006 Right Of Way Easement;
417	Exhibit 4: Tributary of Skunk Creek;
418	Exhibit 5: The North 120.24 acres of both tillable and pasture land;
419	Exhibit 6: Invoice #1223 dated June 5, 2013 from Kaffar Tiling & Ditching in
420	the amount of \$24,578.67
421	Exhibit 7: Production records from Farm Credit Services of America for the 47
422	acre field by Highway 38 show that in 2013 soybean yields were up
423	because of the installation of the tiles;
424	Exhibit 8: The 2014 corn records from Farm Credit Services of America;
425	Exhibit 9: 2014 cornfield "Mom's Hwy 38";
426	Exhibit 10: Invoice #1224 dated June 5, 2013 from Kaffar Tiling & Ditching I
427	the amount of \$3,581.64;
428	Exhibit 11: Invoice #13222 dated June 11, 2013 from Minnehaha Conservation
429	District in the amount of \$848.20;
430	Exhibit 12: Invoice #273 dated April 18, 2014 in the amount of \$17,132.70;
431	Exhibit 13: United States Dept. of Agriculture Seeding Plan and Record for late
432	spring 5/15 to 6/15;
433	Exhibit 14: North 120.24 acres;
434	Exhibit 15: Proposed Route – DAPL;
435	Exhibit 16: Revised map showing the pipeline moved over a short distance;
436	Exhibit 17: Misaddressed certified letter;
437	Exhibit 18: Handout from Energy Transfer (Asset Overview);

438	Exhibit 19: Handout from Energy Transfer (Project Overview)
439	These documents were referenced in my testimony on the prior pages.
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441	Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the
442	formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?
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445	Does that conclude your testimony?
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452	Subscribed and sworn before me this 2 day of June, 2015.
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5/4/15

Robert Person 25875 Skunk Creek Ave Hartford, SD 57033-6348

Dear Robert,

I am in the process of gathering historical information connected with property that I own west of 460<sup>th</sup> Avenue along Highway 38 west of Hartford. This information is needed because of a proposed pipeline to be installed across the property.

In the past, I have had four or more inquiries to purchase the property listed above. At one time, you asked if the land was available for sale as well as all land south to the property owned by Pamela Person. Land prices-were not discussed as I had no intention of selling at that time but discussed the fact that you would be contacted if that changed.

I need a note (with your signature) from you stating that you in fact did inquire about the purchase of the land west of Hartford. This does not legally bind you to anything other than contributing to the historical information.

A brief note and your signature at the bottom of this letter would be sufficient.

Thank you for your time in consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Reggy Hoogestraat

Peggy Hoogestraat 27575 462<sup>nd</sup> Ave Chancellor, SD 57015 605-214-0623

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Dave Benning The Gold Mine, Inc. 3505 E 10<sup>th</sup> St Sioux Falls, SD 57103

Dear Dave,

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In the past, I have had four or more inquiries to purchase the property listed above. At one time, you asked if the land was available for sale to build a storage building there. Land prices were not discussed as I had no intention of selling at that time but I kept your contact information.

I need a note (with your signature) from you stating that you in fact did inquire about the purchase of the land west of Hartford. This does not legally bind you to anything other than contributing to the historical information.

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Sincerely,

Peggy Hoogestraat
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I David Beroning inquired about purchasing Peoply Hoogestraat land along Highway 38 west of Hartford about 8 years ago. I wonted to put storage units on it.

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Document prepared by Patty McElhaney Minnehaha Community Water, Corp. 47381 248<sup>th</sup> St, Dell Rapids, SD 57022-5305 Phone: 605-529-5799

#### RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENT

In consideration of the mutual benefits to be derived, the undersigned Grantor does hereby grant, sell, and convey to the MINNEHAHA COMMUNITY WATER, CORP. a perpetual easement with the right to construct, install use, operate, inspect, maintain, replace and remove water lines and appurtenant facilities over, under and upon the herein described real property together with the rights of ingress and egress thereto.

This easement shall be occupied only by mainline distribution pipe, together with its appurtenances, which shall be located within an area 40 feet in width, running immediately adjacent to the public right-of-way line along the entire North boundary of the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 102 North, Range 52 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Minnehaha County, South Dakota.

The consideration herein recited shall be a single payment of a Land Disturbance Fee of 10¢ per linear foot of main pipeline for any and all damages incurred by Grantor by reason of the installation, operation, and maintenance of the above improvements. Grantee agrees that it will, at no expense to Grantor, following installation or maintenance of the pipeline return the premises to its former condition as is reasonably possible. Grantee agrees to maintain the easement in good repair so that no unreasonable damage will result therefrom to Grantor.

This easement shall run with the land for the benefit of grantee, its successors and assigns and all provisions hereof shall be binding on Grantor, her heirs, personal representatives, successors, or assigns.

Crantor - PEGGY ANN HOOGESTRAAT

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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On this 16th day of February , 2006, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the county and state aforesaid, came PEGGY ANN HOOGESTRAAT, who is personally known to me to be the same person who executed the attached Right Of Way Easement for Minnehaha Community Water, Corp., and such person duly acknowledged execution of the same for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal the day and year last above written

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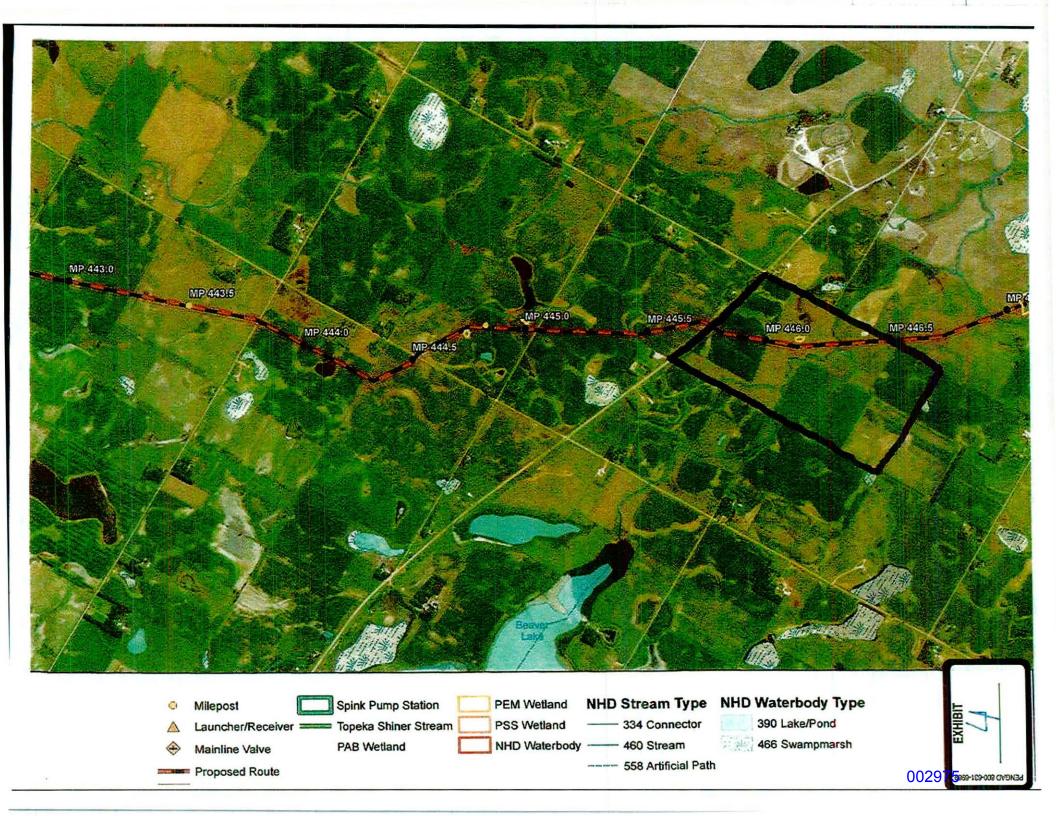
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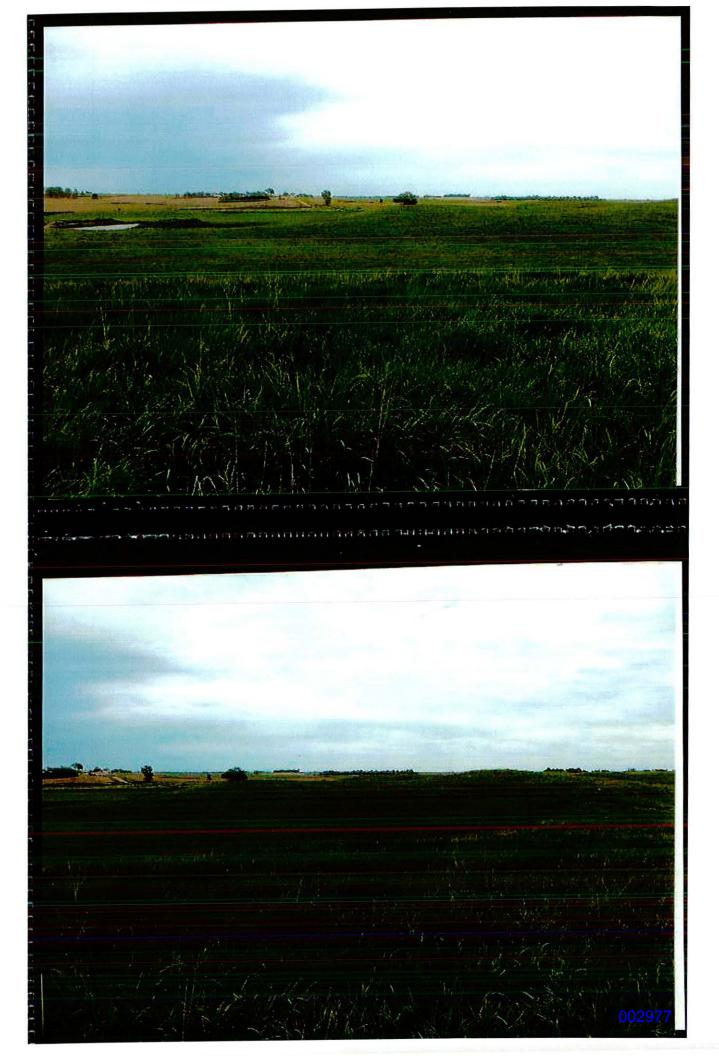
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512 S. Main Humboldt, SD 57035 (605) 941-7320

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60	6" Dual Wall Pipe	2.50	150.00T
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It's been a pleasure working with you!

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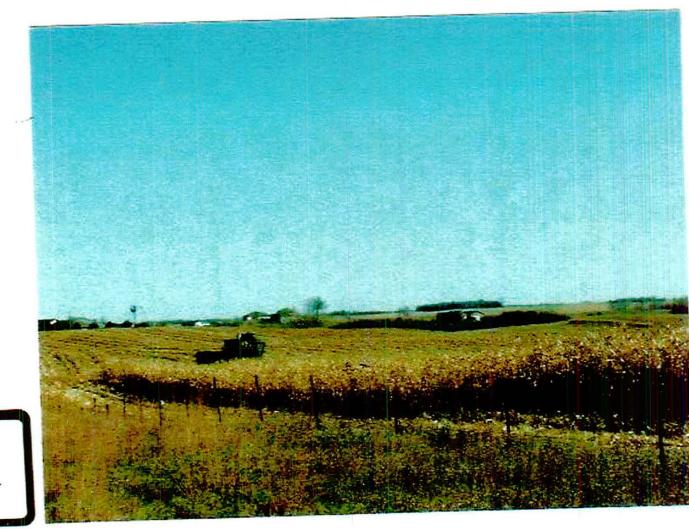
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# Kaffar Tiling & Ditching

512 S. Main Humboldt, SD 57035 (605) 941-7320

Bill To			

## <u>Invoice</u>

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It's been a pleasure working with you!

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## **Minnehaha Conservation District**

2408 E. Benson Road Sioux Falls, SD 57104

## **BILL TO**

Matthew Anderson 25985 461st Ave. Hartford, SD 57033

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**INVOICE #** 

6/11/2013

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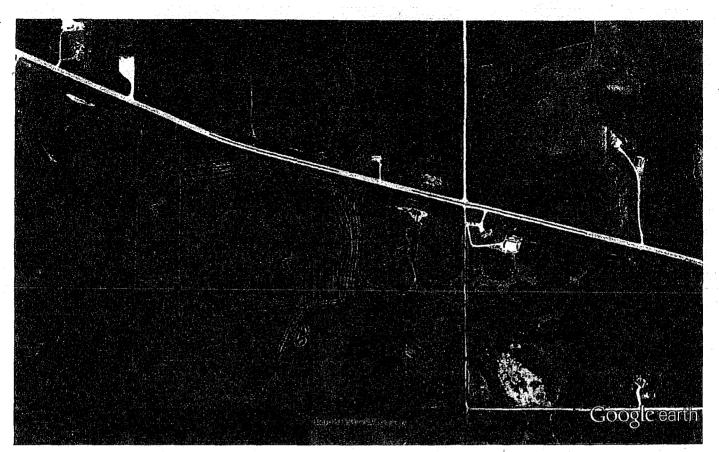
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Edwina Scroggins <scrogginsedwina@yahoo.com>
To: "gardengalpeggy@gmail.com" <gardengalpeggy@gmail.com>

Fri, Nov 14, 2014 at 4:59 PM

Here is the second proposed route, this is the best they could do. Hope this will help. Just let me know.

Thanks, Edwina Scroggins

575-779-6536

God's Blessings!

### Begin forwarded message:

From: Marlon Scroggins <mscrogg57@gmail.com> Date: November 14, 2014 at 1:33:24 PM CST

To: Edwina Scroggins <scrogginsedwina@yahoo.com>

Subject: Shot

Thanks: Marlon Scroggins
Construction Manager
Dakota Access Pipeline Project
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Sioux Falls, SD.
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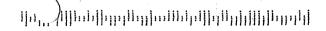
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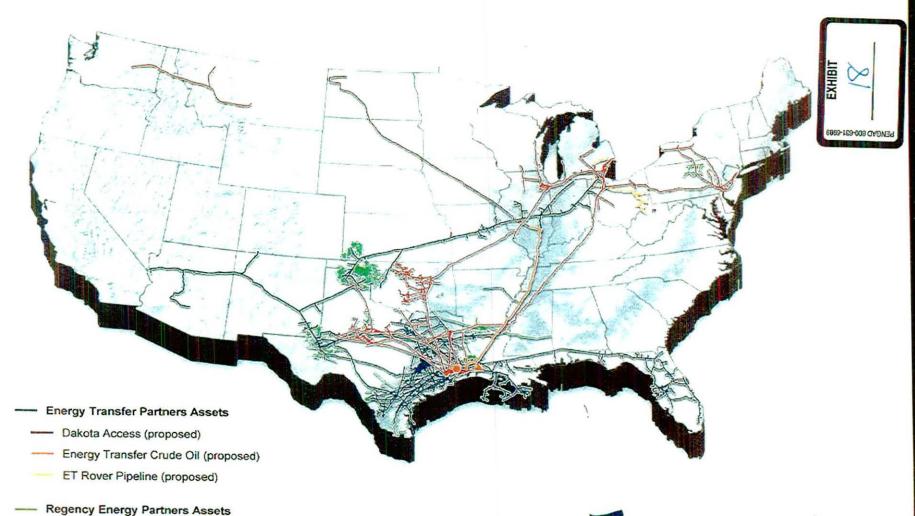
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# Energy Transfer Partners - Asset Overview



Sunoco Logistics Assets



# **Project Overview**

- Dakota Access, LLC has secured long-term binding contractual commitments to:
  - >Transport approximately 450,000 barrels per day of crude oil starting Q4 2016
  - ➤ Potential to transport approximately 570,000 or more barrels per day depending upon additional potential shipper commitments

### Objective:

- >Move crude oil from the Bakken Three Forks area in northwestern North Dakota to the Patoka Hub in Patoka, Illinois
- ➤ Interconnect with third-parties for re-delivery of crude oil to processing facilities and refineries located in the Midwest and Gulf Coast for production of motor fuels and other crude oil derivatives that support the US economy



#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE

#### HP14-002

### PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF ROD & JOY HOHN

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

:SS

COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA)

Rod & Joy Hohn, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows:

Please state your name and address.

Rod & Joy Hohn

46178 263rd Street

Hartford, SD 57033

rinchohn@gmail.com

How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?

I am a landowner in Minnehaha County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline.

Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming will be continued by younger generations.

Our land is adjacent to Joy's brothers land, which is where she was raised. That home place was purchased by her father in 1950 and has been passed down to her brother so that the farming operation could continue. Joy's brothers land will also be affected by the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline. We had purchased our adjacent land to the home place to build upon our families farming operation with her brother. Since Joy's brother has no children that would continue the farming operation, our children (ages 12 and 10) have been very active and show great interest in this operation. They have helped with planting & harvest (our 12 year old drove the tractor pulling the grain cart for last fall's harvest), taking care of the cattle (including pulling calves from their mothers) and general upkeep of our farm places (mowing lawn, planting the garden, etc.).

Please describe your current farming operations.

We grow corn, soybeans and livestock. We use conventional and no till operations.

To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access Pipeline cross?

It will cross through our west quarter along the section line.

How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?

Approximately 1/4 of a mile

Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures on your property.

We have two (2) building eligibility's on that section of land and have plans for future development.

Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.

The highly productive land used for raising our crops will be greatly impaired by the pipeline. If the pipeline is built, our crops will never be the same. Disturbed soil from pipeline installation and the heat produced from the pipeline after installation will both have detrimental effects on crop land. It will never return to it's highly productive state. In addition, when an oil spill occurs, it will leave our farmland and crops saturated. That land can no longer be farmed and is considered worthless. That was proven by the oil spills in both Benton, Mich. on Sept. 16, 2014 and in Bismarck, ND on Sept. 29, 2013. We are also greatly concerned with stray voltage that may come from this pipeline. The soil, mineral and moisture content of the land in addition to steel posts are all conductors of electricity. There are 3 wells on that section of land that our family runs livestock through. If stray voltage were to occur, it could be hazardous and possibly deadly to our livestock.

Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile performance and investment.

We do not have drain tile that we are aware of.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

Yes! We are very concerned about an oil leak which would get into our water supply. In addition, the pipeline is proposed to run ¼ mile to the west of Wall Lake, which is approximately 2 ¼ miles from our land. Wall Lake is part of the aquifer system to the city of Sioux Falls. It is the backup reservoir to our highest populated city. An oil leak will have devastating effects!

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?

Yes!! This proposed pipeline will be carrying HAZARDOUS MATERIAL! It is extremely flammable. Bakken crude oil has a low flashpoint and may be more explosive than conventional crude oil. It is also toxic!! The cancer-causing agent, benzene, is detected in the oil. Breathing benzene can cause drowsiness, dizziness, tachycardia (rapid heart rate), headache, tremors, confusion, unconsciousness, and death. We are very concerned for all the inhabitants in the sitting area.

Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority (i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal fees in defending against said lawsuit?

Yes, we have be served with a Summons and Complaint for Preliminary Injunction to Provide Survey Access. No, Dakota Access has not provided us with any legal authority supporting its claim. Yes, we have and continue to incur legal fees.

Has any representative of Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you or others that you believe are not true? If so, please explain.

At the January 22, 2015 public meeting in Sioux Falls, Joy had asked the Dakota Access representatives numerous questions regarding the pipeline project. After she asked these questions and gave her concerns, Joey Mahmoud, Vice President - Engineering, stated that we have "already talked about most of these issues". That statement was simply not true. None of the questions that she asked have ever been personally addressed to her or to our family ~ not that night and not to this day.

Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.

We are concerned with all of the proposed project "benefits" that Dakota Access is proposing. The estimated monetary benefits that the state receives in the short term does not compare to the <u>long term</u> monetary benefits that Dakota Access and the 'big oil' companies will be filling their pockets with 'indefinitely'. Alaska does not have

income tax due to revenues that they receive off the pipelines. Do not approve a pipeline that will not benefit our state for the life of that pipeline.

If the pipeline permit is approved, we are also greatly concerned with how that will effect our property value.

When an oil spill happens, who will pay for the clean up? When our farmland is left saturated and worthless, what kind of financial compensation will be offered? Will it be to the landowners satisfaction or will things wind up in long protracted legal battles in court?

Pipeline spills are inevitable whether it be from material, welding and equipment failure, corrosion or the environment. Pipelines require constant monitoring and accidents may result from undetected failures due to insufficient or delayed monitoring, deficient integrity management procedures or inadequate training of control center personnel. very concerned about the quality and installation of the pipeline as well as the monitoring of this line.

Another GREAT concern is that there is no state agency/inspectors/etc that will enforce permit conditions, easement agreements or "police" the pipeline. That is very FRIGHTENING to us and our family. They are just given a free pass to do as they please on the land that we have worked so hard to take care of!!

Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?

Yes, but only Joy would be available.

Does that conclude your testimony?

Yes.

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

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COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA )

Ronald H. Stofferahn, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows:

Please state your name and address.

Ronald H. Stofferahn 315 N. Ford St. Humboldt, SD 57035

#### How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?

I am a landowner and business owner in Minnehaha County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline.

Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming will be continued by younger generations.

I have been farming in South Dakota for over 40 years. The particular parcel of land that Dakota Access wants to go through runs along Highway 38 and was purchased by my brother, Tom Stofferahn, and myself in 1975. The land is rented to Stofferahn Farms Partnership. I have one son. My son is a partner in Stofferahn Farms Partnership. My brother, Tom Stofferahn, and myself own Nortec Seeds, Inc. My son is an employee for Nortec Seeds, Inc.

#### Please describe your current farming operations.

Stofferahn Farms Partnership is owned by four family members and conducts the farming operations. This partnership farms approximately 2800 acres in Minnehaha, McCook and Turner counties in South Dakota. Stofferahn Farms grows soybeans for Nortec Seeds, Inc. to use as seed.

## To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access Pipeline cross?

Even though I own the land with my brother, Tom Stofferahn, as tenants in common, Dakota Access has never contacted me by mail, phone or personally. From verbal conversations my brother has had with Dakota Access I understand the pipeline easement will run from north to south through the 118.36 acre land parcel that runs along Highway 38 utilizing approximately 4 acres of tillable crop land. It will run behind my seed business, Nortec Seeds, Inc.

How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?

I do not know the exact yardage.

Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures on your property.

#### Nortec Seeds, Inc.

In South Dakota the Stofferahn family has been in the seed business for over 40 years that began with my father. In 1998 when my brother and myself purchased the business from our father the location was moved next to my brother's home on Highway 38 in a 60x120 Morton shed that we built. Later the shed became a part of Stofferahn Farms Partnership and we deeded 3.96 acres to the partnership named Tract 1 where the shed sits today. Nortec Seeds, Inc. rents this shed to conduct its business. Beginning in the summer of 2014 before any knowledge of Dakota Access pipeline we began making plans for an expansion. The only available expansion is to the north because the land only goes 30 feet east, to the west there is a slough and to the south Highway 38. The expansion includes a new 60x152 Morton storage shed and another structure to house a soybean cleaning and treatment center with 6 bulk hopper bins. The expansion will include new offices and parking for semis and trucks. To the North of these new structures we plan to have all research and test plots for customer and public viewing. Since we have a unique situation where we own both the land and business we can deed more land to Tract 1 to expand the business location when needed. Without this expansion we feel we cannot be competitive in the seed industry and would have to move to a new location. To find this same excellent location would be costly along with constructing a whole new warehouse facility. At the present time we have not begun any

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construction for the expansion because we now know that the pipeline will be behind the location of the business. Without expansion Nortec Seeds could possibly lose millions of dollars in sales over the life of the easement and to relocate would cost hundreds of thousands of dollars.

#### 118.36 Acre Parcel of Land

This land was purchased by myself and my brother in 1975. In 45 years of farming we have picked rock and made improvements so that it is a highly productive parcel of agriculture land. It is along Highway 38 where there is continued growth and in the future has the potential for development property. There is one housing eligibility on the land. Because of the liability of the pipeline I believe it will reduce the property value of the land and the housing eligibility.

# Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.

The main concern I have is for the liability issues in regard to farming the land, compaction of the soil and whether the land will ever produce. If Stofferahn Farms hits the pipeline while doing normal farming practices is it liable for damages to neighbors or other landowners? Our insurance agent has told us that there is no insurance that we can obtain to cover this liability. The land in question has a mortgage on it for the purchase of other land. Our lending bank has said they will not sign off on the easement. From what I have learned about the proposed easement by Dakota Access there is nothing that addresses their liability for an oil event. From what I heard about the easement from other landowners the entire 118.36 acre parcel legal description is used in the easement not the 50 feet pipeline description. Dakota Access does not sign the easement. Dakota Access has the right to amend the easement to install more 30 inch pipelines on the 50 foot easement.

I have invested in ethanol plants to help with our nation's energy concerns and establish better corn prices. As far as I know the pipeline has no plans to transport ethanol. In fact the oil industry has lobbied for less blending of ethanol which in turn lowers corn prices and hurts Stofferahn Farms economically.

# Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile performance and investment.

Yes. There are two tiles. At the present time I do not believe the path of the pipeline will cross these tiles.

# Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. If there is a leak or oil event it will naturally run through the drainage tiles and tributaries that go into West Skunk Creek, Skunk Creek, Sioux River and could affect water aquifers for Sioux Falls and Minnehaha County communities. An oil leak behind our business would make it difficult if not impossible to conduct day to day business activities at Nortec Seeds, Inc.

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## Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. 570,000 barrels a day, 1440 psi, welded together segments so it is only the matter of where and when the oil events will happen. If an oil event happens on my land I do not believe it could be farmed. Five Stofferahn families depend on the income from Nortec Seeds, Inc. so if it were closed because of an oil event it would greatly affect the welfare of all the families.

Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority (i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal fees in defending against said lawsuit?

Yes. I was served a Summons and Complaint at my business in March, 2015. This is the first contact that I have ever had with Dakota Access.

No. They have not showed me a permit to survey. Dakota Access in legal documents has defined themselves as a public common carrier but I do not know who gave them this legal authority.

Yes. I have incurred legal fees.

## Has Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you that it is a "common carrier" under South Dakota law? If so, please describe.

In the Complaint for Preliminary Injunction to Provide Survey Access that was served on me they stated in paragraph 3 that they are a common carrier and have the privilege of eminent domain pursuant to SDCL 49-2-12 and 49-7-13.

Has any representative of Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you or others that you believe are not true? If so, please explain.

Again I have never personally been contacted by a representative of Dakota Access.

#### Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.

I am a life-long resident of South Dakota and have been engaged in farming and the seed business for over 40 years. I have worked to grow these businesses for my own financial well being and for my family. I have always supported the State of South Dakota. I am concerned that the State of South Dakota is going to take my land through eminent domain and it would greatly reduce the value of Nortec Seeds, Inc. and the property value of my land. I would like to pass these businesses on to my children and grandchildren.

SDCL 49-41B-22 Applicant's burden of proof.

(2) The facility will not pose a threat of serious injury to the environment nor to the social and economic condition of inhabitants or expected inhabitants in the siting area; This paragraph in the above-named statute protects me from the economic harm that will be caused by Dakota Access pipeline to Nortec Seeds, Inc., myself and my family.

Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?

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No.

Does that conclude your testimony?

Yes.

Roull H. Steffel Subscribed and sworn before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of Gune, 2015.

Muchele a Tuschen Notary Public – South Dakota My Commission Expires: 10-15-17

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE

#### HP14-002

# PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Shirley Mae Oltmanns

#### STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

:SS

COUNTY OF Minnehaha

Shirley Mae Oltmanns, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows:

Please state your name and address.

Shirley Mae Oltmanns

26576 466th Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57106

#### How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?

I am a landowner in Lincoln County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline.

Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming will be continued by younger generations.

4/26/1883 Land was Homesteaded by Philip Eichhorn- he paid \$3.00 per acre- toward the above quarter. He was given a Patent (deed) September, 1887.

4-16-1896 sold to Paul Nichel for \$1800.

2/28/1920 Quit claim deed from Rose (daughter of Paul and Sophia Nichel) & Milo Hoffman to Sophia Nichel.

4/23/1923 Sophia Nichel sold to Gilbert Schoffelman for \$18,000. \$112.50 per acre -

8-1-1930 Upon Gilbert's death distribution to heirs in 1931 – Dora (wife) 1/3 and to children remaining 2/3 rds (John, Hilda, Aldrich, Henry, Elmer, Laura, Esther)

10-27-1947 Dora Schoffelman sold 1.02 acres (Lot H1) to the state of South Dakota for roads.

4-23-1959 Upon Elmer's death his share was conveyed to his mother (Dora).

6/11/1959 John Schoffelman purchased from his siblings and his mother for \$37,840 - \$236.50 per acre.

12/4/1959 – John added Leona's name

5/18/2004 – termination of Leona's name on deed due to death

3/23/2004 – John deeded to children - Janice Petterson, Mavis Parry, Linda Goulet, Corliss Wiebers, Shirley Oltmanns, Marilyn Murray & Kevin Schoffelman w/John having Life Estate

4/13/2012 – Termination of John's Life Estate

The question of whether farming will be continued by future generations remains to be determined.

Tillable acres will probably continue to be leased for row-crop farming and pasture acres for cash rent for several years. However discussions have taken place for development of the land starting with the 3 building eligibilities.

#### Please describe your current farming operations.

The tillable acres are farmed by Jerry and Bill Crevier and the pasture is rented by Scott Daggett.

# To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access Pipeline cross?

Based on the most recent maps by Dakota Access and flags placed in the road ditch, the pipeline would enter the NW corner going to the SE corner cutting diagonally across the entire farm. This area includes crop production land as well as pasture.

How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)?

Approximately 300 yards to the nearest building and 340 yards to the well.

It is planned to go under the creek which drains the watershed NW of Tea and flows into the Sioux River.

The pipeline would cross the easement held by South Lincoln Rural Water.

As stated previously it would cross the grazing area.

Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures on your property.

The land is drain tiled, some of which is clay.

Open Waterway ditch running south on east side of property.

It currently has 3 housing eligibilities with potential for additional future longer term development since Highway 17 runs on the west side of the property.

Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.

Initially, no access for daily operations on cropland on south half of property. Natural waterways blocked and would need to be reconstructed. The tillable acres won't produce the same and the quality of the pasture will be impaired.

Future development potential diminished due to restrictions of building on pipeline and lack of desire for homeowners to live near pipeline. There is currently an existing housing development ½ mile NE of our farm, located outside of the City of Tea as well

as a second development planned (zoning has been changed to agriculture/residential) ½ mile directly north of our farm. These developments are outside of the City of Tea growth plan. Just because a particular city doesn't have these affected areas in their growth plan, doesn't mean they won't be developed – unless of course pipeline easements restrict the development.

Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile performance and investment.

Yes, it has been drain tiled and parts of it are clay tile. I am concerned that the tile may crumble by excavating the ground near it, construction equipment going over it or by additional underground pressure from settling afterwards.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. Ruptures, oil leaks, environmental damages in the future. As steward of the land our obligation is for also for future generations.

In February, the Wall Street Journal compared oil from 86 locations around the world and found Bakken crude oil to be the most explosive. This was introduced December 11, 2104 in the Assembly Resolution No 191 State of New Jersey 216<sup>th</sup> Legislature.

Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?

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Watershed damage as East Beaver Creek drains the Watershed North and West of Tea and flows through our farm, eventually into the Big Sioux River and then the Missouri. Will eliminate the potential for future development due to people not wanting to reside near an oil pipeline.

Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority (i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal fees in defending against this lawsuit?

Yes- I have been sued.

No- Dakota Access has not provided any legal authority (state statute).

Yes- I have incurred legal fees.

Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.

The fact that their plan is to run the pipeline through Minnehaha and Lincoln county shows total disregard for the welfare of our state, it's inhabitants and the future development in the this area. I'm concerned it will lower my property value, and quality of life of any future inhabitants.

Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015?

No.

Does that conclude your testimony?

Yes.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 2nday of Jane, 2015.

Motary Public – South Dakota My Commission Expires: 7-6-/7

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#### OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC FOR AN	HP14-002
ENERGY FACILITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE	PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF Thomas E. Stofferahn

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
:SS
COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA)

Thomas E. Stofferahn, being first duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and states as follows:

Please state your name and address.

Thomas E. Stofferahn 45938 SD Hwy 38 Humboldt, SD 57035

#### How are you involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline project?

I am a landowner and business owner in Minnehaha County, South Dakota affected by the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline.

Please describe the history of your family's land ownership, and whether farming will be continued by younger generations.

I have been farming in South Dakota for 45 years. The particular parcel of land that Dakota Access wants to go through runs along Highway 38 and was purchased by my brother, Ron Stofferahn, and myself in 1975. The land is rented to Stofferahn Farms Partnership. I have two sons. One son is a partner and the other son is an employee in Stofferahn Farms Partnership. My brother, Ron Stofferahn, and myself own Nortec

Seeds, Inc. Both of my sons, my wife, and nephew are employees of Nortec Seeds, Inc. Estate plans have been made for my sons to inherit my ownership in both businesses. Estate plans have been made for my wife to inherit the land and home acreage.

#### Please describe your current farming operations.

Stofferahn Farms Partnership is owned by four family members and conducts the farming operations. This partnership farms approximately 2800 acres in Minnehaha, McCook and Turner counties in South Dakota. Stofferahn Farms grows soybeans for Nortec Seeds, Inc. to use as seed.

### To the best your knowledge, what area(s) of your property will the Dakota Access Pipeline cross?

From verbal conversations with Dakota Access contract easement employee, Edwina Scroggins, the pipeline easement will run from north to south through the 118.36 acre land parcel I own with my brother that runs along Highway 38 utilizing approximately 4 acres of tillable crop land. She stated it will run right behind our 3.8 acre acreage where my home is situated that I own with my wife, Nancy Stofferahn, and also right behind our seed business, Nortec Seeds, Inc.

How close is the pipeline to any building, bin or pen, water source, or farming facilities (i.e., storage area, feedlot, grazing area, etc.)? I do not know the exact yardage.

Please describe any special characteristics of your property and farmland, and/or whether you plan to build any houses, outbuildings, shelter belts, or other structures on your property.

#### Nortec Seeds, Inc.

In South Dakota the Stofferahn family has been in the seed business for over 40 years that began with my father. In 1998 when my brother and myself purchased the business from our father the location was moved next to my home on Highway 38 in a 60x120 Morton shed that we built. Later the shed became a part of Stofferahn Farms Partnership and we deeded 3.96 acres to the partnership named Tract 1 where the shed sits today. Nortec Seeds, Inc. rents this shed to conduct its business. Beginning in the summer of 2014 before any knowledge of Dakota Access pipeline we began making plans for an expansion. The only available expansion is to the north because the land only goes 30 feet east, to the west there is a slough and to the south Highway 38. The expansion includes a new 60x152 Morton storage shed and another structure to house a soybean cleaning and treatment center with 6 bulk hopper bins. The expansion will include new offices and parking for semis and trucks. To the North of these new structures we plan to have all research and test plots for customer and public viewing. Since we have a unique situation where we own both the land and business we can deed more land to Tract 1 to expand the business location when needed. It is my intention to sell my portion of Nortec

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Seeds to my two sons and they will continue to operate the business in the future. Without this expansion we feel we cannot be competitive in the seed industry and would have to move to a new location. To find this same excellent location would be costly along with constructing a whole new warehouse facility. At the present time we have not begun any construction for the expansion because we now know that the pipeline will be behind the location of the business. If my sons do not have the opportunity to expand in 10-30 years than there is no use wasting capital on a South Dakota business that cannot grow. Without expansion Nortec Seeds could possibly lose millions of dollars in sales over the life of the easement and to relocate would cost hundreds of thousands of dollars.

#### 118.36 Acre Parcel of Land

This land was purchased by myself and my brother in 1975. In 45 years of farming we have picked rock and made improvements so that it is a highly productive parcel of agriculture land. It is along Highway 38 where there is continued growth and in the future has the potential for development property. There is one housing eligibility on the land. My son had plans this year to use the housing eligibility to build a home on an acreage near where the pipeline is entering the land to the north. Of course that will no longer be a possibility. Because of the liability of the pipeline I believe it will reduce the property value of the land and the housing eligibility.

#### 3.8 Acreage with Home, 66x99 Morton Shed and Shelter Belt

My wife and I built this home on the acreage in 1980 on Highway 38. In July, 2014, we started a renovation of the home before any knowledge of the pipeline. We put in a large amount of our retirement money for this project treating it as an investment. The renovation included new roof, steel shingles, new siding and windows, and brick-stone front with pillars. The inside was completely gutted and redone with solid wood floors, larger rooms, granite counters, stone archway to the kitchen. It has a two tier landscaping to the east and north, stamped concrete patios and there is a 66x99 Morton shed behind the house. Because of the good location we believed this would be a good investment. Now common sense is telling us who would ever want to buy a high-end home and acreage with a pipeline behind it and we are afraid that our retirement money will be lost.

# Please describe which of your farming operations or other land uses will be impaired by the Dakota Access Pipeline and how they will be impaired.

The main concern I have is for the liability issues in regard to farming the land, compaction of the soil and whether the land will ever produce. If Stofferahn Farms hits the pipeline while doing normal farming practices is it liable for damages to neighbors or other landowners? Our insurance agent has told us that there is no insurance that we can obtain to cover this liability. The land in question has a mortgage on it for the purchase of other land. Our lending bank has said they will not sign off on the easement. From what I have learned about the proposed easement by Dakota Access there is nothing that addresses their liability for an oil event. From what I heard on the easement from other landowners the entire 118.36 acre parcel legal description is used on the easement not the 50 feet pipeline description. Dakota Access does not sign the easement. Dakota Access has the right to amend the easement to install more 30 inch pipelines on the 50 foot easement.

I have invested in ethanol plants to help with our nation's energy concerns and establish better corn prices. As far as I know the pipeline has no plans to transport ethanol. In fact

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the oil industry has lobbied for less blending of ethanol which in turn lowers corn prices and hurts Stofferahn Farms economically.

Has your farmland been improved with drain tile? If so, please describe whether you are concerned that pipeline construction may damage and impair the drain tile performance and investment.

Yes. There are two lines. At the present time I do not believe the pipeline path will cross the tiles.

## Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will pose a threat of serious injury to the environment or the inhabitants within the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. If there is a leak or oil event it will naturally run through the drainage tiles and tributaries that go into West Skunk Creek, Skunk Creek, Sioux River and could affect water aquifers for Sioux Falls and Minnehaha County communities. Bakken oil has been found to be explosive when transporting by rail and there is nothing I have seen to prove that it will any different in a pipeline. In my opinion residing or working near the pipeline has an increased safety risk.

## Do you believe that the Dakota Access Pipeline will substantially impair the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the siting area? If so, why?

Yes. There is a saying that when you pour cement it is not whether if it will crack but when. I believe the same saying can be applied to pipelines. 570,000 barrels a day, 1440 psi, welded together segments so it is only the matter of where and when the oil events will happen. Will it be in the James River, Sioux River, Missouri River, Mississippi River or on my land? The land would never be able to be put back to the original natural resource it once was and could probably not be farmed. Five Stofferahn families depend on the income from Nortec Seeds so if we were unable to conduct business it would greatly affect the welfare of all the families.

Have you been sued by Dakota Access Pipeline to compel court ordered access to your land? If so, (1) Has Dakota Access Pipeline provided you any legal authority (i.e., state statute) supporting its claim that you have no right to exclude Dakota Access from your land at the time of said lawsuit? and (2) Have you incurred legal fees in defending against said lawsuit?

Yes. I was served a Summons and Complaint at my business in March, 2015.

No. They have not showed me a permit to survey. Dakota Access in legal documents has defined themselves as a public common carrier but I do not know who gave them this legal authority.

Yes. I have incurred legal fees.

Has Dakota Access Pipeline made any statements to you that it is a "common carrier" under South Dakota law? If so, please describe.

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In the Complaint for Preliminary Injunction to Provide Survey Access that was served on me they stated in paragraph 3 that they are a common carrier and have the privilege of eminent domain pursuant to SDCL 49-2-12 and 49-7-13.

Please state any other concerns you have regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline.

I am a life-long resident of South Dakota and have been engaged in farming and the seed business for about 45 years. I have worked to grow these businesses for my own financial well being and for my family. I have always supported the State of South Dakota. I am concerned that the State of South Dakota is going to take my land through eminent domain and I will lose everything I have worked for my entire life to develop these businesses into what they are today. I would like to pass them on to my children and grandchildren.

SDCL 49-41B-22 Applicant's burden of proof.

(2) The facility will not pose a threat of serious injury to the environment nor to the social and economic condition of inhabitants or expected inhabitants in the siting area; This paragraph in the above-named statute protects me from the economic harm that will be caused by Dakota Access pipeline to Nortec Seeds, Inc., myself and my family.

Would you be available to present testimony and respond to questions during the formal hearing scheduled for September 29 through October 8, 2015? Yes.

Does that conclude your testimony? Yes.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 29th day

y of June, 20

Notary Public – South Dakota

My Commission Expires: 16-15-17