

**From:** PUC  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 02, 2014 11:55 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Keystone XL Pipeline, HP14-001

Ms. Marshall:

This is in response to your message to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission regarding the Keystone XL Pipeline permit docket filed Sept. 15, 2014. This docket, HP14-001, is a certification in which the commission must decide whether or not the applicant, TransCanada, can certify it continues to meet the nearly 100 conditions and sub-conditions placed on its permit by the commission order issued June 29, 2010. This is not a new hearing of the original docket. Here is a link to the earlier commission order with conditions:

<http://www.puc.sd.gov/commission/orders/hydrocarbonpipeline/2010/hp09-001c.pdf>

Commissioners are judging the merits of this docket, so under South Dakota law we are prohibited from participating in nonpublic discussions regarding it. For this reason, your message and this response will be added to the electronic docket, HP14-001, under Comments and Responses. It can be found online at

<http://www.puc.sd.gov/Dockets/HydrocarbonPipeline/2014/hp14-001.aspx>

You offer opinions on several issues and state that commissioners are consenting to the breaking down of eco- and economic systems. Since the commission is in the early stages of processing this docket, my fellow commissioners and I have not made any decisions or taken any votes on this docket. I urge you to read the documents filed in the docket and follow along as it is processed to focus on the facts and evidence in the case.

As a service to the citizens of South Dakota, we have added information to our website so you may easily obtain facts regarding this docket. Click on the link titled Keystone XL Pipeline updates on the PUC's homepage at [www.puc.sd.gov](http://www.puc.sd.gov). This will take you to a Frequently Asked Questions document as well as to several other links with information and updates.

Thank you for your interest in this pipeline docket and the work of the commission.

Sincerely,

Gary Hanson, Chairperson  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
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