

AFFIDAVIT OF PETER CAPOSSELA

I, Peter Capossela, under penalty of perjury, hereby state and affirm:

1. That I am counsel of record for the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe in *In re: Application of TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP for a Permit to Construct the Keystone XL Project*, HP 14-001.

2. The *Order Setting Procedural Schedule* was entered in this matter on December 17, 2014. I immediately consulted with Chairman Dave Archambault II about retaining expert witness assistance. Under his direction, the Standing Rock Department of Environmental Regulation diligently pursued the procurement of an expert witness, including consulting with the Tribal Finance office and identifying funds in the middle of the fiscal year; requesting the Tribal Environmental Commission to re-allocate revenue; soliciting proposals and engaging in a competitive procurement process as fast as is permitted by Tribal law; obtaining a recommendation from the Tribal Council Economics Committee to the full Tribal Council to retain EcoNorthwest, Inc.; and obtaining a Tribal Council motion approving such contract, at the regular Tribal Council meeting on March 3, 2015.

3. EcoNorthwest is diligently conducting its work, but has indicated that additional time is imperative for the preparation of expert testimony for the hearing in this matter.

4. The Motion to Amend Order Setting Procedural Schedule is filed for the sole purpose of providing a reasonable amount of additional time for the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe to prepare testimony in this matter, and for no improper purpose or to cause undue delay.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2015

By: Peter Capossela
Peter Capossela

STATE OF VIRGINIA)
 :
COUNTY OF FAIRFAX)

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me
this 27th day of March, 2015

Nicholas A. Mandrides
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires 01-31-2016



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