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Commissioner

To the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission:

I am writing in strong opposition to the potential certification of the Keystone XL pipeline permit in South Dakota. Please vote no.

We have better, cleaner, safer alternatives for energy. We have alternatives that will produce more jobs and benefit our economy. KXL is a devastating project, intending to transport a river of toxic and dirty tar sands oil from Canada through America's heartland to the Gulf coast for export. Tar sands oil is one of the dirtiest fossil fuels on the planet, releasing dramatically more carbon pollution than conventional oil. Ramping up dirty tar sands oil production means a giant step back in the fight against climate change. To promote such a venture is another nail in the coffin for our future on this planet.

In the shorter term, TransCanada cannot and will not adequately protect South Dakota's land, water and people, and has no emergency response plan for Keystone XL.

TransCanada will not be able to meet the conditions of their permit and puts people in South Dakota, as well as the rest of us, at risk. The only sane choice is to deny the permit certification, and protect South Dakota's land, water, and people.

Thank you for your consideration, please make the right decision.

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