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*"There is only one dangerous breed, humans." -Unknown*

**"Compassion for animals is intimately connected with goodness of character; and it may be confidently asserted that he who is cruel to animals cannot be a good man."-Schopenhauer**

**"Not to hurt our humble brethren, the animals, is our first duty to them, but to stop there is not enough. We have a higher mission: to be of service to them whenever they require it. If you have people who will exclude any of God's creatures from the shelter of compassion and pity you will have people who will deal likewise with other people." -St. Francis Assi**

**"I believe if Dante were alive today and rewriting the 'Inferno' that the lowest places in hell would be reserved for those who commit cruelty to our animals and our children." -U.S. Attorney George Beck**

**"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated." -George Orwell**

**"When educating the minds of our youth, we must not forget to educate their hearts." - Dalai Lama**

**"To be a vegetarian is to disagree - to disagree with the course of things today... starvation, cruelty - we must make a statement against these things. Vegetarianism is my statement. And I think it is a strong one." -Isaac Bashevis Singer**

**"I am in favor of animal rights as well as human rights. That is the way of the whole human being." -Abraham Lincoln**

**"There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle." -Albert Einstein**

Dear South Dakota Public Utilities Commissioners Hanson, Nelson, and Fiegen:

I am writing to you to request you reject the Keystone XL Pipeline certification in docket HP14-001. The risks this pipeline and its construction pose to the health, safety, and security of South Dakota's water, land, and people are unacceptable. TransCanada has shown time and time again they are unable to build a safe pipeline. They have lied to the people of South Dakota about the benefits of the pipeline, while ignoring completely the harmful impacts of tarsands mining and the risk to our land and water from inevitable spills.

For these reasons and more, reject Keystone XL.