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Robert Baumgartner  
Manager, Oil Pipeline Environmental Services  
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Subject: TransCanada Keystone Emergency Response Plan Update

Dear Mr. Baumgartner,

South Dakota Codified Law (SDCL) 34A-18 requires crude oil pipeline operators to prepare an oil spill response plan and submit the plan to the department for approval. In addition, SDCL 34A-18 requires operators to review and update the plan in full every five years.

The department received TransCanada's initial Emergency Response Plan for the Keystone Pipeline System on July 1, 2009. Therefore, in accordance with SDCL 34A-18, the plan is due for review in 2014.

Please review and update the plan as it pertains to South Dakota and submit an up-to-date copy to the department. If TransCanada would like to consult with the department during the review process or has any questions regarding this letter please feel free to contact me at 605.773.3296 or [brian.walsh@state.sd.us](mailto:brian.walsh@state.sd.us).

Sincerely,

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