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HP14-002 - In the Matter of the Application of Dakota Access, LLC for an Energy Facility
Permit to Construct the Dakota Access Pipeline

Dear Commissioners,

When I look at the Dakota Access Pipeline project, I am gratified to see the attention to details that Energy Transfer is committed to. This project is a long-term partnership with landowners that will provide a large, private investment for our region.

The company will bury the pipeline deep enough that it will not threaten farmland, rivers and lakes. In fact, Energy Transfer is committed to being a long-term partner to the landowners in South Dakota and the other states through which the pipeline will pass. It will take responsibility for any damage from the beginning and for years thereafter.

The reclamation processes that will be utilized – and the commitment to restoring our lands and roads – is an important consideration for road contractors, like myself. It is good to see a company that wants to invest billions in compliance with laws and meet the needs of landowners.

As a contractor myself, I know from experience that such good practices are far from a given, and growing rarer each day. I'm glad that this project is being advanced by a company that knows how to get the job done right. And I'm glad, for our community, that we have the opportunity to be a part of a project that will carry a real economic impact here at home while also helping to make our nation more secure from an energy standpoint.

I urge you to approve this application. It will be good for South Dakota and for the region.

Sincerely,



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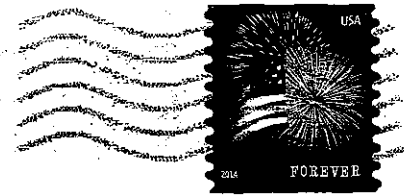
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