

January 22, 2015

Chris Nelson  
Vice Chairman  
SD Public Utilities Commission  
Capitol Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
500 E. Capitol Ave.  
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Dear Mr. Nelson,

As a lifelong resident of South Dakota, I am writing to express my concern and dissatisfaction over the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline route that runs within one-half mile of my home in Lincoln County, SD. The newly-proposed route runs extremely close to several homes and businesses in southeast South Dakota along I-29 and 471<sup>st</sup> Street, including Schriever Addition, the development where my husband and I have lived since 2008. When the decision was made to purchase a home south of Sioux Falls, it was done so because of the desirable location, quality of life and growing property values, all of which I believe will be in jeopardy with a **crude oil pipeline running so close to a growing residential development**. As a homeowner, would you want this in your neighborhood?

The timing of the notification – a certified letter on Christmas Eve – and the apparent disregard over the disruption to two of South Dakota's most highly populated counties raises serious questions about Energy Transfer Partner's business ethics and knowledge of the area they desire to utilize.

I hope you and the other commissioners will put the rights and interests of South Dakota citizens first when it comes to working with an out-of-state company, operating on their own agenda, without regard to the lives of those living in heavily populated areas of South Dakota. There are far less populated areas of our state to be considered for such a project.

Sincerely,

  
Shelly A. Johnson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]