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Dear Mr. Schmidt:

Thank you for your comments. They will be added to the Dakota Access Pipeline docket, HP14-002, along with this response.

You will find the docket online at [www.puc.sd.gov](http://www.puc.sd.gov) by clicking on Commission Actions, Commission Dockets, Hydrocarbon Pipeline Dockets, 2014 Hydrocarbon Pipeline Dockets, and HP14-002. Because commissioners have a decision-making role in docket matters, any discussion with a commissioner about an open docket must take place in an open, public forum. By placing your comments in the docket file, other commissioners and interested parties will have access to your comments for consideration.

Enclosed is a document from the home page of the commission's web site titled Pipeline Siting Info Guide which explains the processing of pipeline siting permit requests which may be helpful to you. I have also enclosed a Dakota Access Pipeline Frequently Asked Questions document from the site which may be of interest.

Sincerely,

Chris Nelson