From: PUC

Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2015 8:00 AM

To:

Subject: DAKOTA ACCESS, HP14-002

Mr. VanZanten:

Thank you for contacting the PUC regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline docket that is currently before the commission for consideration. The three-plus points that you made are very appropriate concerns. We heard similar views expressed by citizens during each of the four South Dakota public informational meetings conducted by the PUC last week in Bowdle, Redfield, Iroquois, and Sioux Falls. The tile issue and the proposed location of the route were top concerns of many persons who spoke during the meetings.

You will find it interesting to examine the Dakota Access docket, HP14-002, at the PUC web site at http://www.puc.sd.gov/Dockets/HydrocarbonPipeline/2014/hp14-002.aspx. This will allow you to view a PowerPoint presentation by the pipeline company. Note page 14 that relays how the company proposes to deal with the top soil and subsoil issue. You will be able to view the application, minutes of meetings, orders by the commission, correspondence, and other information regarding the Dakota Access docket and follow along as the docket is processed and new information is added.

The PUC's web site is www.puc.sd.gov and on the home page, you will find a Dakota Access Frequently Asked Questions document and a Pipeline Siting Information Guide. From this page you can navigate through every docket and all of the PUC public hearings' archives. The Dakota Access docket can be found by clicking on Commission Actions, Commission Dockets, Hydrocarbon Pipeline Dockets, 2014 Hydrocarbon Pipeline Dockets, and HP14-002.

Thank you for writing to express your concerns. The commission values input from the public and comments can be received throughout the proceeding. Because this communication regards an open docket before the commission, your message and my reply will be posted in the docket.

Gary Hanson, Commissioner South Dakota Public Utilities Commission www.puc.sd.gov