

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

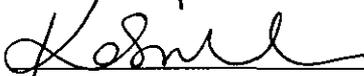
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	COMMISSION STAFF
BY TRANSCANADA KEYSTONE)	MOTION TO ESTABLISH A
PIPELINE, LP FOR A PERMIT UNDER)	PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
THE SOUTH DAKOTA ENERGY)	
CONVERSION AND TRANSMISSION)	HP09-001
FACILITIES ACT TO CONSTRUCT THE)	
KEYSTONE XL PROJECT)	

Commission Staff moves by and through its attorney, Kara Semmler, for the Commission to establish a procedural schedule in the above captioned matter. Due to the statutorily mandated timeframe in combination with the number of party status petitioners, Staff argues the importance of a road map early in the process. Accordingly, Staff suggests the following schedule:

- Final discovery requests served by July 31, 2009, with replies due by August 24, 2009
- Additional Applicant prefiled testimony due September 1, 2009
- Intervener prefiled testimony due September 8, 2009
- Staff prefiled testimony due September 25, 2009
- Applicant rebuttal testimony due October 19, 2009
- Hearing in the Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota November 2 through 6, 2009

Commission Staff further requests all objections to the above suggested schedule be handled by Commission Counsel in a telephonic scheduling conference with a final Procedural Schedule issued by the Commission no later than June 30, 2009.

Signed and dated this 15th day of May, 2009



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