
From: Sandra [REDACTED]
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I am writing to you to request you REJECT the Keystone XL pipeline certification in docket HP1400. The risks this pipeline and its construction pose to the health, safety and security of South Dakota land, water and people are UNACCEPTABLE. The final Environmental Impact statement submitted by the State Department shows the pipeline is EXPECTED to leak at least 10 times over the course of its lifetime. Have you not seen pictures of Michigan and Missouri and Montana where tar sands pipelines have leaked? It's almost impossible to clean up these messes. The leak in Michigan occurred over 2 years ago and it is STILL not cleaned up. Who in the world is going to clean up this mess when it happens in our state, especially when it occurs over the Ogallala aquifer? This aquifer is where millions of people in the upper Great Plains get their water, this tar sands will get into the water, where do the people of our state and Nebraska get their water then? Tar sands oil will ruin our water forever--think about that. Would you drink this water, where will the farmers and ranchers get their water for crops and livestock that farm in the area of the aquifer? Please, please rethink this permit, we are NOT willing to sacrifice and risk the Missouri River, the Ogallala aquifer, our rural water systems, our livelihoods for the tar sands oil. The construction of the pipeline also puts rural communities at risk with the drastic influx of people, equipment and traffic. One more thing, instead of building this pipeline through the United States, let Canada run a pipeline through their country to their west coast. This oil would be shipped to the southern coast of the US and shipped out, it will not do ANYTHING to help our country. Instead of our state investing in oil pipelines, maybe the PUC should be encouraging more green energies. At least we wouldn't be polluting our state.

For all of the above reasons and more PLEASE REJECT the permit for Keystone XL.

Sincerely,
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