

RESOLUTION AND PETITION
TO
THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
SUBMITTED BY:
Todd Township Board of Supervisors

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In the matter of Docket Number: PL6668/PPL-13-474

Enbridge Energy Limited Partnership, doing business as North Dakota Pipeline Company, has applied to the State of Minnesota Public Utilities Commission for permission to construct and operate a new crude oil pipeline called the Sandpiper Pipeline.

Enbridge contends that the Sandpiper Pipeline, scheduled to begin construction in 2015, would carry 375,000 barrels of crude oil per day from the Bakken Shale Oil formation in North Dakota across Minnesota to an Enbridge terminal in Superior, Wisconsin.

A significant portion of the Sandpiper Crude Oil Pipeline's proposed route crosses the Mississippi River immediately downstream of Itasca State Park and near many of the highest quality lakes and marshes in Minnesota.

The Minnesota Public Utility Commission has scheduled public meetings, hearings and the public comment period is scheduled to end on April 4th 2014.

Many citizens own property, spend vacations or are otherwise familiar with the impacted land along the proposed route and would be very interested in learning more about the route, alternatives to the route and how lakes and marshes of concern to them might be affected by the proposed pipeline.

Many people who are interested in learning about and/or participating in the public review of this crude oil pipeline are seasonal residents in Minnesota and are either unaware of the proposal or unable to fully participate in the public review process.

The Todd Township Board of Supervisors hereby resolve to petition the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission to extend the Public Comment Period and hold additional public informational meetings and hearings during a period that is more inclusive of these members of the public and requests that the opportunity for full public education about and participation in the permitting process for the Sandpiper Crude Oil Pipeline not end until August 1st 2014.

Signed: _____

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