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In the Matter of the Application of North Dakota Pipeline Company, LLC for a Certificate of Need for the Sandpiper Pipeline Project in Minnesota

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In the Matter of the Application of North Dakota Pipeline Company, LLC for a Pipeline Routing Permit for the Sandpiper Pipeline Project in Minnesota

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In the Matter of the Application of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for a Certificate of Need for the Line 3 Pipeline Replacement Project in Minnesota from the North Dakota Border to the Wisconsin Border

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1 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Welcome and good
2 evening. My name is Charlie Petersen and I will be
3 the moderator through the session this evening.

4 I want to just sort of walk through what
5 we have planned for the evening. Starting now, it's
6 already been happening, but basically from 6:00
7 until 7:00 is an open house.

8 What basically that means is we have
9 stations around the area here for you to talk to
10 people, and we have experts present at those
11 stations. We've got, I think, most of you have gone
12 through the ones out in front. We've got the
13 greeter, which will give you the packet. This is
14 your lifeblood for tonight's meeting. If you would
15 like to make a public comment during this time here,
16 you need to sign up on a card. Thirdly, if you
17 would like to make public comment that is not oral
18 tonight, there's a written form here that you can
19 send in. And it's mailable, so you can mail it in.
20 And also on the back there are the other ways that
21 you can provide comment into the process.

22 Again, you can do the comment here at the
23 public meeting, mail in the comment, mail it in a
24 separate envelope, and the address is on the back.
25 You can fax your comments. You can email your

1 comments. And you can use the online service.

2 Bottom line here is we want to hear your comments,
3 we want to hear your thoughts, your ideas on this.

4 For the open house period, again, there
5 will be stations. There's the greeter station out
6 there, there is the pipeline siting for the routes
7 around, and a series of maps. There's also sort of
8 topic stations, pieces that the agency or agencies
9 have heard from the previous iterations of going
10 through this process. If you've got a question,
11 this is your time to ask it of them.

12 Enbridge is set up over here if you've
13 got a question for Enbridge. Their process, their
14 thoughts, their siting pieces, this is your time to
15 ask it. This is an informational time to better
16 understand your thoughts, to better understand what
17 the process is and what the siting and route is for
18 the pipeline.

19 We also have Janet up here. And I'm
20 going to talk about Janet for most of the evening.
21 She is the court reporter. She is the most
22 important person in the room because she is going to
23 be taking down your thoughts and ideas. She'll
24 catch it here, but during this open house, if you
25 have a private comment that you would like to make,

1 if you don't want to make in a front of a bunch of
2 people but you'd like to get it on the record, she
3 will take that comment from 6:00 until 7:00.

4 Am I correct in that?

5 COURT REPORTER: Yes.

6 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: After the 7:00
7 open house, and we'll kind of be monitoring, if
8 there's only a few people out there, a few people
9 asking questions like at quarter to 7:00 we may
10 start the formal meeting a little sooner because,
11 again, we want to get to your comments. And if
12 we've got a bunch of people that would like to
13 speak, we want to hear from you. We'll do a
14 welcome, we'll go through the ground rules, we'll go
15 through the process, we'll go through what's going
16 to happen here.

17 Jamie from the Department of Commerce
18 will do a presentation, sort of an overview to kind
19 of set the stage. And then we'll take a few minutes
20 of questions of clarity. And I want to hone in on
21 that, questions of clarity. If there's something
22 that she says that you don't understand, that's the
23 time to ask it. If you start giving your opinions
24 at that point in time, that's when it starts
25 morphing down here.

1 From the public comment time we'll have
2 you come up, we'll give you a microphone, I've got a
3 handy-dandy iPad here that has a timer on it, we
4 will allot a certain amount of time for you to
5 comment. In all honesty, we're still trying to
6 figure out exactly what that timing is. My guess is
7 it's going to be somewhere between three and five
8 minutes. Literally, what's going to be the driver
9 on that is the number of people that want to talk.
10 Because in an hour, give everybody five minutes,
11 that's only 12 people. So if we get a large number
12 of people that want to talk, we'll have to sort of
13 balance the time both of the meeting and also the
14 folks, the time for the folks giving their comments.

15 Are there any just general questions
16 before we get into this process? This is our first
17 run, we've got 12 of these scheduled between now and
18 a week and a half from now. I don't have the dates
19 in my head, I had it a few minutes ago, but this is
20 the part of aging that happens, just things just
21 leave.

22 Are there any sort of process questions?
23 Great. Again, Enbridge is set up over there for any
24 comments, questions, thoughts, anything that you
25 have. And, again, out in the entryway here there's

1 also a setup if you want to look at the maps. If
2 you have a topic that you didn't think was raised at
3 one of the first meetings, et cetera, et cetera,
4 bring it up, talk about it. I think most people
5 have yellow packets, if you don't have a yellow
6 packet, grab your yellow packet.

7 Janet, did I forget anything?

8 COURT REPORTER: No.

9 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Jamie is doing her
10 setup so I'm not going to ask her whether I forgot
11 anything from her standpoint.

12 Thank you for coming tonight. You're
13 going to get sick and tired of this 'cause I'm
14 probably going to do it a couple more times before
15 7:00 'cause I want to get -- as more people come in,
16 I want to run through the process also.

17 Thank you. Let's take the time between
18 now and 7:00, again, ask your questions, get some
19 information, share some information. Thank you.

20 (Break.)

21 (Private comments.)

22 MR. JERRY RYAN: My name is Jerry Ryan,
23 J-E-R-R-Y, R-Y-A-N.

24 And I represent the pipeliner welders,
25 Local 798 from Tulsa, Oklahoma, and I want to speak

1 in favor of the Sandpiper and the Line 3
2 replacement. When those are complete it'll be a
3 safe, silent means of transportation for crude oil
4 across the state of Minnesota. Thank you.

5 MR. MITCH MINCOFF: My name is Mitch
6 Mincoff, M-I-T-C-H, M-I-N-C-O-F-F. And I live in
7 North Branch, Minnesota.

8 And I'm just going to say I'm in favor of
9 the Sandpiper Pipeline.

10 MR. KRIS DRAGER: My name is Kris Drager,
11 and I'm here to support the pipeline. K-R-I-S,
12 D-R-A-G-E-R.

13 (Break.)

14 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: If I could get
15 your attention just one more time, this is primarily
16 for the new folks who have come into the room that
17 have not heard the first spiel on this.

18 This is an outline of the process for
19 tonight. We are in the open house period. For
20 that, this is basically a way to get your questions
21 asked and a response so that the agencies can hear
22 your thoughts in sort of a question-and-answer
23 conversation place. Out in the entryway here is a
24 collection of maps to show the routes. Some of the
25 topics that were raised at some of the first

1 meetings on this, and some of the things, the
2 process that the agencies are going through for this
3 pipeline. So it's a way for you to get your
4 comments or questions answered or responded to and
5 so the agencies can listen to your thoughts.

6 Enbridge is over in this corner here.
7 Again, same issue, if you've got a question for
8 them, raise it, raise it to them and have a
9 conversation there.

10 The yellow packet is your key lifeline.
11 This has all of the information in it for tonight's
12 meeting. The two key pieces are, if you do want to
13 make a public comment when we get to that point in
14 the meeting, we need to have one of these green
15 cards filled out and handed in. So if you haven't
16 done that and want to comment, please fill it out
17 and go back to the greeter desk.

18 The other piece is the comment form.
19 There's multiple ways to provide comment here. You
20 can comment what you're doing in the later part of
21 the meeting. You can mail in this form, it is
22 mailable on the back. Also on this form is an
23 address where you can mail your own separate letter
24 if it's more pages. You can fax comments in, you
25 can email comments in, you can use the website to

1 provide comments. So this is key.

2 When we hit 7:00, or maybe a little bit
3 before, we'll go into a little more formal meeting
4 here. We'll do a welcome, we'll do the process of
5 what we're going to do. There will be a short
6 presentation on what the state is doing with the
7 line, where it's going. And then we'll spend the
8 bulk of the time taking your public comments.

9 And Janet here, who is writing now, is
10 the key person for tonight. She is the one that's
11 collecting all of the public comments. So she needs
12 to hear, she needs to know what is going on. And
13 I'll go through the process once we start at 7:00.

14 Any questions?

15 Okay. If there are some that come up,
16 you can ask me and I'll try and get you to somebody
17 who can get a response. Or I can -- if it's on
18 process, I can handle the process questions.

19 Thank you. I'll probably do this one
20 more time, for those of you who have been here for a
21 little while.

22 Thank you. We're going to have this
23 dance done by the time we're done with the 12
24 meetings here.

25 If folks would like to make a private

1 comment, but on the record, or a private comment to
2 Janet, you can come up now. If you don't want to do
3 it in front of a bunch of people, she will take your
4 comment now, there's a chair there and she is set up
5 and ready to go. I know there's a couple people
6 that have already come up to do that. So please
7 feel free to do that between now and 7:00.

8 Anything else I forgot?

9 COURT REPORTER: No.

10 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: All right.

11 Thanks.

12 (Break.)

13 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Don't worry, I'm
14 not going to do my announcement again. I just
15 wanted to state that, as the gentleman here is
16 looking at his watch, unless we get a huge
17 groundswell of people that want to come in at the
18 last minute and sort of want to engage in the open
19 house, I think we probably are going to start maybe
20 about ten minutes early. So we want to honor
21 everybody's time and have you get out of here in a
22 reasonable time, we also want to honor the folks'
23 time so they can comment.

24 Which gets into we need a comment card
25 filled out. 'Cause this is what we will use to go

1 through and call people up. So if you want to
2 speak, we need to have you fill out the green card.
3 This isn't quite last call for those green cards,
4 but we are getting close to it. So if you are
5 interested in speaking or making a comment, please
6 fill out the green card.

7 I'll do the last call for questions,
8 though. Any other process questions?

9 Okay. Thanks, guys.

10 (Break.)

11 MR. JIM FRANCE: My name is Jim France,
12 F-R-A-N-C-E.

13 And for future meetings, I'd like to see
14 where the other pipelines are, oil and natural gas,
15 in the proposed area. Not just what Enbridge has
16 got.

17 (End of private comments.)

18 (Break.)

19 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: I will make one
20 final call that if anybody wants to come up and make
21 a comment to Janet to get your comment on the record
22 in a little more privacy, there's still going to be
23 probably five minutes to do that.

24 So thank you.

25 (Break.)

1 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: We'll do a last
2 call for green cards. So if you do want to make
3 public comments, please submit a green card. I'll
4 take it and work it through the formal process, so
5 you can go out there and hand it in.

6 And we'll start in about five minutes.

7 (Break.)

8 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: All right. Let's
9 go ahead and get started.

10 Yeah, those of you that were here at
11 6:00, this is going to be a little bit of a repeat.

12 But my name is Charlie Petersen, I work
13 for the State of Minnesota. I'm a management
14 consultant and I've been contracted with by the
15 Department of Commerce to facilitate and monitor
16 these meetings. Actually, I will have another
17 colleague working with me so we'll trade off between
18 the 12 meetings.

19 The process from here on out is we're
20 into the welcome piece at this point in time. I'll
21 talk a little bit about the process that we will go
22 through here tonight.

23 Jamie will do a presentation on the
24 pipeline and the process and sort of what I call the
25 we are here aspects. When you go to the Mall of

1 America, they've got the big map with the, you know,
2 a little dot that we are here, that's sort of the
3 process that she will go through at this point in
4 time. And then we will open it up for public
5 comment. We talked about the cards, we will work
6 from those as they came in, we will take the cards
7 in order.

8 With that -- let me push this back.

9 These are the ground rules that we've got
10 for the meeting here tonight and will be the ground
11 rules for all of the meetings that we go through.

12 The first ground rule, the key ground
13 rule is basically mutual respect, courtesy, and
14 patience. The meeting is so we may hear your
15 thoughts, that's the key piece, so we may hear your
16 thoughts on the alternative issues and analysis to
17 be included in the environmental impact statement,
18 or the EIS.

19 Please help maintain an atmosphere where
20 everyone feels comfortable and welcome. Again, it
21 goes back to hearing your thoughts on this. When
22 someone is speaking at the microphone, please don't
23 interrupt. That is their time to make their
24 comments on the issues here for the environmental
25 impact statement.

1 Please remain quiet so others and the
2 court reporter can hear. If you do have
3 conversations, I may ask you to leave the room.

4 Before I go on to the next, this is
5 Janet. Janet is the court reporter. She is the
6 most important person in the room. She is the one
7 who's going to be collecting your comments. She
8 needs to hear. If she doesn't hear, she will give
9 me a dirty look, she will throw something at me, she
10 will yell at me. I don't like that. I don't want
11 to be yelled at. So I'll be looking to her, at
12 what's going on, she rules the aspect of what goes
13 on in this room because she is the one that has to
14 get the ideas down.

15 No display signs or banners. I don't see
16 any, I'm not going to go through that.

17 When you're speaking, please refrain from
18 addressing the audience. I don't know that that's a
19 big issue, but, you know, how many people -- I've
20 had people literally stand up and turn around and
21 address the audience and that's not the focus here.

22 And we were just doing this a couple of
23 minutes ago, please turn off your cell phones or put
24 them on vibrate or something.

25 I think we have eight cards as far as

1 people that would want to speak. With that, we can
2 easily get that in the time frame. So the time
3 frame that we will use is five minutes for folks to
4 be able to provide comment.

5 I've got an iPad here that has a timer on
6 it. In all honesty, I've used this a couple of
7 times, sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't.
8 I'll probably give you a two-minute and a one-minute
9 sort of warning, and when it hits five minutes I
10 will ask you to please finish your thought. You
11 don't have to stop immediately, but just please
12 finish your thought. And I would ask you to try and
13 honor that five-minute time frame. Sort of
14 capsulize your thoughts in that.

15 With that stated, there are multiple ways
16 to provide comment into the process. There's a
17 process here tonight at the public meeting. You
18 know, the mail-in form. Again, it's the form that's
19 in your yellow packet. On that form has the
20 multiple ways to provide information in. There's an
21 address that if you have more than just, you know,
22 if it's more than just a sentence or additional
23 documentation that you'd like to attach to that
24 form, there's a place, and there's the address and
25 person to mail it to, Jamie. You can fax comments

1 in and there's a fax number. Email comments in the
2 email and you can also enter in through the website.
3 So there's multiple ways to get the comments in
4 besides this. This is not the only bite of the
5 apple, at the apple, whichever is appropriate.

6 One piece. In all honesty, I'm not
7 exactly certain how this is going to work, but
8 because we only have eight cards here, if folks
9 would like to speak twice, we're going to allow
10 that. But we would request that you hold your
11 thought until everyone has had a chance to speak and
12 then you can come back and get a second bite. It's
13 a little loosey-goosey, I get it, but that's kind of
14 the way it's going to operate with that.

15 So we'll just, you know, hopefully we can
16 get through everybody, see if anybody else wants to
17 comment, and then sort of run it through that
18 process. Again, a second time, the comments will
19 still be limited to that five-minute time frame.

20 Janet, anything I forgot?

21 COURT REPORTER: No.

22 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Okay. She's the
23 puppeteer, she controls what I do.

24 Jamie. There she is. I was going to
25 turn it over to her and she snuck out of the room.

1 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: Sorry about that.
2 We have some technical difficulties here. While
3 we're getting this --

4 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Okay. While
5 they're working on that, let me just ask, does
6 anybody have any questions so far as the process
7 goes? We've gone through this a couple of times.
8 We've got 12 meetings scheduled over the next, I
9 think, two and a half weeks.

10 Again, the final -- this is something I
11 didn't state but should, big letters -- the period
12 closes on May 26th for comments in. This is the
13 deadline. Anybody know if there's a time during the
14 day, is it just end of business day? 4:30. Thank
15 you. Perfect.

16 If there are questions that pop up,
17 there's a series of agency staff here. They've been
18 the ones that I think you've been talking to out in
19 the entryway there, that may be a question we may,
20 you know, defer to them to make a response back. Or
21 if you do have a question during the process, grab
22 one of them and you can ask it at that point in
23 time. I may ask you to take the conversation out of
24 the room with that.

25 Let me introduce Jamie MacAlister. She

1 is the Environmental Review Manager at the
2 Department of Commerce. And Janet may be the most
3 important person in the room tonight, but Jamie is a
4 very, very close second. She's the one that's
5 coordinating and putting all this together. She's
6 the one that has to make sense of all of this once
7 this comes through.

8 I think, again, I go back to sort of my
9 image of, you know, we are here. She's going to
10 sort of put it in the picture, explain the
11 situation, explain the process that the State is
12 going through headed up by the Department of
13 Commerce and take a few questions of clarity maybe
14 after her presentation.

15 Again, there's a fine line between a
16 question of clarity and moving on to an opinion.
17 But if we've got time, we'll take a couple questions
18 of clarity with that.

19 Anything else?

20 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: No. But I need
21 that.

22 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: You need a mic.

23 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: Yes.

24 Good evening, everyone. Thank you for
25 coming out. You've been very patient thus far.

1 So tonight you are here for the
2 information and scoping meetings for the draft EIS
3 for the Sandpiper Pipeline and the Line 3
4 replacement pipeline.

5 Hopefully, when you came in you all
6 received a yellow folder. And there's some
7 important information in this yellow folder. In
8 addition to a copy of the PowerPoint that you are
9 about to view, we have a comment form, which you
10 will want to use or save.

11 I'll just go through this stuff. There's
12 also some information on how to suggest an
13 alternative to any of the routes that you've seen
14 here tonight.

15 Sorry, I don't have a table up here
16 that's really adequate.

17 We have the alternatives and the
18 evaluation criteria for the alternatives. And we
19 have the Appendix B from the draft scoping decision
20 document to help guide some of our discussion this
21 evening. And we have some maps here that show the
22 alternatives and the routes that are currently on
23 the table for the scoping process.

24 So the regulatory framework that we're
25 going to be operating under now for the certificate

1 of need is Minnesota Statutes 216B. We have the
2 routing and the pipelines, Minnesota Statutes 216G.
3 And that the EIS for both of these projects, this is
4 a combined CN and route project, and those will be
5 prepared according to Minnesota Rules 4410. And as
6 well, further on in this process there will be
7 contested case hearings. This is not a hearing,
8 this is an information and scoping meeting.

9 So what is the purpose of scoping this
10 EIS? Well, this process is really designed for the
11 public and agencies and other governmental agencies
12 to give us information on these projects to help us
13 identify issues and impacts to participate in the
14 development of route and segment alternatives. And
15 then all of these things get put into the final
16 scope that will be used in the development of the
17 EIS.

18 So as you may know, we've been working on
19 these projects for a couple of years. And
20 throughout that time frame we've heard that these
21 are the issues that people really care about.
22 They're really concerned about spills and
23 groundwater, surface water resources, wild rice,
24 tribal issues, pipeline decommissioning, and not on
25 this list, but I know that many folks are interested

1 in the economic aspect of developing these
2 pipelines.

3 So we've been out here for a couple of
4 years. We've had over 30 meetings. And we've had
5 scoping meetings, we've been meeting with tribes,
6 we've been meeting with government agencies, we've
7 been meeting with the public, and we've gotten this
8 draft scoping decision document that you all may
9 have seen. And we're wondering, is there anything
10 else out here that we have overlooked? We've done
11 our best to capture the immense record that's been
12 developed over the last couple of years and we're
13 really here tonight to see if there are other issues
14 and topics that we have overlooked and need to be
15 considering as we move forward.

16 So I'll just give you a brief overview of
17 where we are in the process. We have the EAW and
18 the draft scoping decision document that's been
19 prepared. We're here, as Charlie says, at our
20 information and scoping meetings. We'll be
21 preparing, once all these meetings are over, we'll
22 be preparing a final scoping decision document that
23 we will be submitting to the Public Utilities
24 Commission for them to approve. And once that final
25 scope has been approved we will move into the EIS

1 preparation for these projects. And from that point
2 we have 280 days to complete the draft environmental
3 impact statement.

4 We will also have draft EIS meetings.
5 There will be a final EIS, a determination of
6 adequacy, and after all of that has been determined
7 the project will move into the contested case
8 portion of the process.

9 So the constant here is that we have this
10 EIS and we have these permitting decisions. And it
11 can be really confusing to know how all of the
12 agencies and other participants are involved here.

13 So feeding into the EIS, we have
14 government, we have the tribes, we have the public,
15 we have Department of Commerce that will be taking
16 all this information and feeding it into the EIS.
17 We have all of our sister agencies that you may have
18 spoken with during the informal portion of this
19 meeting. And everyone is putting this information
20 and going into the EIS -- oops. The EIS informs the
21 Minnesota Public Utilities Commission and they in
22 turn make the permitting decision.

23 So I just want to quickly talk about the
24 routes that have been proposed to date and the
25 system alternatives. Currently, there are -- all of

1 the system alternatives that were proposed during
2 the Sandpiper Pipeline proceedings are included here
3 for evaluation so you can see them on this map.
4 There should also be a copy of that map in your
5 folder.

6 And then, as well, all of the route
7 alternatives that were proposed during the Sandpiper
8 route permit proceedings. Now, Line 3 is somewhat
9 unusual in that regard because that process never
10 really got underway, it's been folded into this
11 process that we're into.

12 Just quickly, what we anticipate the
13 schedule to be. We don't expect there to be a draft
14 EIS until early next spring, a final EIS later in
15 the spring, and an EIS adequacy determination
16 sometime in early summer, midsummer of next year.
17 But the contested case hearings in the summer of
18 2017, and possibly a route permit decision in the
19 fall of 2017. So this process, once it gets
20 underway, it will move somewhat quickly.

21 So submitting your comment is important
22 to us not only this evening, but as we go through
23 the 45-day comment period. All of your comments
24 that you provide us verbally tonight will be
25 captured by Janet. You can also submit your comment

1 form here tonight if you prefer to give us written
2 comments. You can also email them to this web
3 address or you can mail or fax them as you see fit.
4 As long as we receive them by May 26th, we're good
5 to go.

6 So, with that, I would like to open this
7 up to your formal comments and I will hand it over
8 to Charlie.

9 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Okay. Will you
10 take a couple questions of clarity?

11 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: Yes.

12 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Okay. Questions
13 of clarity?

14 UNIDENTIFIED: You talk about meeting
15 with tribes. I don't see it in your list here of
16 the processes. Where would that be located at?

17 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Just a second.
18 The question was the meeting with tribes and where
19 that's at within the process. Thank you.

20 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: We have held
21 technical tribal meetings with four of the tribes
22 already, and we had a formal consultation meeting
23 with Mille Lacs last fall, last winter. So that
24 will be ongoing. I should say that, you know, as we
25 move forward, that consultation and that -- the

1 technical meetings that we've been having will be
2 ongoing until the draft is prepared.

3 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Any other
4 questions of clarity? Going once? Going twice?
5 This usually gets a hand up. Nobody? Anything?

6 Okay. Let's go to the public comment
7 piece.

8 Again, just, I guess, three areas for you
9 to sort of think about as we get set for the public
10 comment. Basically, what human -- let's try this
11 again. What human and environmental impacts of the
12 proposed pipeline should be studied in the
13 environmental impact statement? Are there any
14 specific methods to address to either avoid,
15 minimize or mitigate these impacts that should be
16 studied? And in looking at alternative routes, we
17 have a collection of criteria, are there any
18 additional criteria that should be considered? So
19 those are just some things to think about as we get
20 going here.

21 Again, just to reiterate, the main focus
22 is to hear your thoughts on the alternatives,
23 issues, and analysis. We're here to listen. We've
24 got the sign-up to go. I'll do the old baseball,
25 who's up, who's on deck, who's in the hole so you

1 can be prepared to do that.

2 Again, we'll hit it again, a number of
3 ways to comment. Five minutes will be the time
4 frame.

5 I'm going to try this. Is that going to
6 be in your way?

7 COURT REPORTER: No.

8 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Okay. Again, I've
9 got the timer here. I will give you a two-minute
10 warning and I will give you a one-minute warning and
11 then ask you to complete your thought when the chime
12 goes off. I've set the chime fairly soft, I think.

13 The first person up is Steve Schulstrom.
14 So you're up. Curtis DeYoung is on deck, and in the
15 hole is David LaBorde.

16 MR. DAVID LABORDE: LaBorde.

17 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Thank you.

18 So Steve is the first person up.

19 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: Steve is going to
20 be referring to these maps and he will leave them, I
21 think, with us.

22 MR. STEVE SCHULSTROM: Yeah, I better.

23 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Jamie was talking
24 about that Steve will be referring to the maps.
25 That's what's going up now.

1 MR. STEVE SCHULSTROM: Can you see this
2 at all? Okay.

3 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Ready to go?

4 MR. STEVE SCHULSTROM: Yep.

5 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: All right.

6 MR. STEVE SCHULSTROM: My name is Steve
7 Schulstrom, I represent Carlton County Land
8 Stewards. S-C-H-U-L-S-T-R-O-M.

9 First, I want to say that Carlton County
10 Land Stewards is not anti-pipeline, we're anti put
11 the pipeline in a stupid place.

12 We're here today to talk about how to do
13 something that's very difficult for humans to do.

14 We are going to go against our natural
15 tendency to make things easier, to look at fewer
16 possibilities, to winnow. We are going to expand
17 our possibilities, not narrow them prematurely. We
18 have agreed to complicate our lives because this is
19 an important undertaking.

20 When pipelines were first built in
21 northern Minnesota, the technology that we have
22 today did not exist. A pipeline built today is
23 vastly safer than one built 50 years ago. The
24 technology has changed. The technology to determine
25 where a pipeline should be built has also changed.

1 We no longer need to be content with a simple census
2 listing of how many things will be destroyed. We
3 can employ modern GIS technology to find less
4 impactful routes. Carlton County Land Stewards
5 hired Applied Ecological Services, a company that
6 worked with Enbridge on the Kalamazoo oil spill.
7 They looked at how one could approach the process of
8 determining where a pipeline could be placed.

9 We used GIS to look at several important
10 parameters. Soil conductivity, slope flow analysis
11 and forest block fragmentation. There are many
12 other parameters one could look at, we identified
13 16.

14 I brought this one example of how a
15 single parameter analysis, in this case forest
16 fragmentation, will appear in map form. I'm going
17 to leave this up so people can actually see it later
18 'cause it's got some detail to it.

19 The other thing I need to tell you is
20 Carlton County Land Stewards is not endorsing any of
21 these system alternatives as being better than any
22 other. All of these system alternative routes are
23 along existing pipelines except for one. And this
24 is an illustrative example of what can be done if
25 one wishes to do so.

1 I've got that the NDPC would be the
2 preferred route up there. This one right here. All
3 of the other ones go south. That's fine. Red would
4 indicate a greater forest fragmentation. This will
5 happen when -- if there's no oil spill ever, if
6 you're going to put a pipeline someplace you're
7 going to fragment the forest. And down south it's a
8 little bit different.

9 All right. Next map. The entire
10 pipeline from start to finish, that simple statement
11 is actually one of the more contentious points of
12 this whole process. Enbridge says that the oil
13 needs to go to Superior before it goes elsewhere. I
14 accept this as desired by the company in the same
15 way it's desired by American Airlines that folks
16 traveling to the East Coast from Minneapolis need to
17 go to Dallas first. The big difference is American
18 Airlines is not asking for the power of eminent
19 domain in their business model.

20 Also, if you look, the environment, and
21 you're doing an environmental analysis, it doesn't
22 end at -- begin at the North Dakota border, you've
23 got Minnesota and North Dakota at the same -- at the
24 border there and you should look at the whole
25 system.

1 So we're here to make our jobs more
2 difficult. We're here to look at the possibilities
3 of things. We're here to add to our workload and
4 we're here to examine possibilities that may be
5 difficult to correct. And we're doing this because
6 these pipelines will be here for a very long time.

7 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Okay. Thank you
8 very much.

9 Just two quick process pieces. Janet is
10 asking for the written piece. I want to say, if it
11 looks like somebody is reading from something, this
12 is a way, for lack of a better term, it's a belt and
13 suspenders coverage, but at least we can get that
14 written information that may have more and she may
15 ask you as you come up and read from something to do
16 that.

17 Secondly, and Jamie, I'll let you make
18 the call. She gets a break part way through this.
19 She can't type forever. So I think it's about 45
20 minutes from now, if I'm doing rough math, we'll
21 sort of watch and see where we're at with our
22 timing, she gets a 15-minute break. If we still
23 have a couple to go, we'll take that 15-minute break
24 and then come back. So thank you for your patience
25 on this.

1 Curtis DeYoung, Doug [sic] -- was it
2 LaBorde? And Phillip Wallace.

3 So, Curtis.

4 MR. CURTIS DEYOUNG: Thank you.

5 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Are you ready?

6 MR. CURTIS DEYOUNG: Yes. My name is
7 Curtis DeYoung, C-U-R-T-I-S, D-E-Y-O-U-N-G.

8 I'm a laborer with 563 from Minneapolis,
9 Minnesota. I've worked on a few different
10 pipelines. One in 2008 from Park Rapids down to
11 Lakeville, Minnesota. I've also worked on the
12 environmental crew. This is more of an economic
13 impact. I know a lot of people complain and say
14 that union members come in, make the money, leave.
15 It's just not -- it's not so. We've got operators,
16 laborers, Teamsters, and the welders and, also, if
17 you include steel workers that are part of this
18 process, that would make a difference. They have to
19 stay somewhere. I've been on the road over in North
20 Dakota and also in South Dakota on two different
21 pipelines. We have to live and survive. So there
22 is money that just doesn't go in and come and go.

23 I've been supportive of the pipeline. I
24 think it's good for the state of Minnesota. I know
25 there's other people that don't think it's worth it

1 at all.

2 When you're on the right-of-way, there's
3 plenty of inspectors that look over -- look at us.
4 The MPCA has been out when I've been on the
5 right-of-way for working on horizontal directional
6 drill. I'm on the environmental crew so they do
7 show up. Some people seem to think they don't, but
8 they do.

9 So like I say, I'm in support of it. So
10 that's all I got to say.

11 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Okay, great.
12 Thank you very much for your comments.

13 All right. The next person up is David,
14 and Phillip Wallace, and Terry Langley.

15 So, David, thank you. Ready?

16 MR. DAVID LABORDE: Good evening. My
17 name is David LaBorde, L-A-B-O-R-D-E. And I'm here
18 today as a Teamsters' National Pipeline Director.

19 I grew up in Crow Wing County on a small
20 farm where my mom and dad still reside today, and I
21 live in northwestern Wisconsin right off an Enbridge
22 right-of-way. Enbridge is a neighbor of mine. I
23 can tell you unequivocally that they build the best
24 and the safest pipelines that we have in this
25 country today.

1 I'm not going to speak for my sister
2 unions that are sitting here behind me, but I can
3 tell you that we have all -- all of the crafts out
4 there have the most state-of-the-art training
5 facilities that we mandate that our members go
6 through to make sure that we build quality and safe
7 pipelines.

8 The economic impacts that these pipelines
9 bring to our communities are phenomenal. One of the
10 jobs that the Teamsters do out on the pipeline is
11 that we have to purchase all the goods and
12 consumables that we need to build a pipeline. We
13 spend hundreds of thousands of dollars in our local
14 communities, spending money on everything from
15 gravel, to lumber, to the auto shops, to the
16 restaurants, to the hotels where we have to live and
17 stay.

18 We have approximately 65,000 Teamsters in
19 Joint Council 32 which is headquartered out of
20 Minneapolis, Minnesota, that covers North Dakota and
21 Minnesota and South Dakota. Our members rely on
22 these jobs to make sure that we have a good family
23 living, that we have affordable health care, and
24 that we have a retirement system that we can retire
25 with dignity after 30 years of service.

1 We are sitting here today to implore you
2 guys, we've been messing around with this system for
3 a long time, it's time for us to get to work. In
4 this day and age with energy independence right at
5 our fingertips, we don't want to sit here and keep
6 having a dependence on foreign oil. I've listened
7 to a lot of comments over the last several years and
8 while I respect everybody's opinion, when we bring
9 oil in from overseas, that the carbon content is
10 drastically higher and it has more pollutants that
11 we are putting into our system when we can create
12 good-paying jobs with domestic sweet crude right
13 here at home and I think it's time that we do that.

14 Thank you.

15 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Thank you very
16 much. Anything, Janet?

17 COURT REPORTER: No.

18 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: All right. Thank
19 you, I appreciate it.

20 The next person up is Phillip Wallace,
21 Terry Langley, and then Dan Olson.

22 MR. PHILLIP WALLACE: My name is Phillip
23 Wallace, that's W-A-L-L-A-C-E.

24 And I'm here tonight in support of this
25 pipeline project. You know, we've been working on

1 trying to get this North Dakota crude to the
2 marketplace for two and a half years now. And, you
3 know, this crude will be moved. And we want to
4 protect the environment. You know, we -- I
5 believe -- I've been doing this for 40 years now,
6 and times in this industry has changed, and thanks
7 to PHMSA and DOT that we do have, you know,
8 strenuous and better regulations to build these
9 pipelines.

10 You know, out with the old. You know,
11 the Line 3 has been there too long. And it's
12 operating safely right now, but, you know, we need
13 to replace this. And, you know, there was a lot of
14 talk in the other meetings about, you know, the
15 decommissioning of the old line. You know, this
16 line, it's served its purpose. Decommissioning was
17 a big issue with a lot of the people that gave
18 comments at the other meetings. And I don't think
19 they really understood, you know, how we do that.
20 I've worked on many, many pipelines that we took out
21 of service. And these things, you know, they're
22 cleaned and they're purged, taking all of the
23 product out, all of the explosives.

24 You know, the environment, you know, is
25 very important. And, you know, today 's

1 construction rules that we have to follow is very
2 strenuous. And, you know, I'm glad of that, I'm
3 proud of that. You know, I want my grandchildren to
4 have a clean earth. But, you know, we can't, not
5 this country or this world can't function without
6 energy. You know, it's not just -- it's not just
7 crude, natural gas. You know, we've got to have it
8 to survive. It would be real nice, you know, to not
9 need crude, but we need this crude.

10 And, you know, we need to get it
11 transported the safest way. You know, this crude
12 will be transported by rail or by truck, and that is
13 by far the most dangerous way of transporting from
14 point A to point B.

15 And, you know, I don't quite understand
16 why, the certificate of need was already approved
17 and issued on the Sandpiper, but it was -- I didn't
18 understand why it was pulled. And, you know, and I
19 didn't understand more about the environmental
20 impact statement. And I think I caught it a few
21 minutes ago about the scheduling.

22 When does the 280-day clock start? Does
23 that start after the EIS is in place? I think
24 that's what the plan is. So that's going to be at
25 least another year. We've already been working, you

1 know, two and a half years to try to get a brand-new
2 pipeline laid and so now we'll add another year to
3 it.

4 But, you know, that's about all I've got
5 to say. Just, you know, this is -- this country
6 needs this pipeline. And it needs to be built the
7 safest. Safety is number one. Not just to the
8 workers, but to the public.

9 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: One minute left.

10 MR. PHILLIP WALLACE: And I'm here in
11 full support of this pipeline and thank you very
12 much.

13 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Thank you very
14 much for your comments.

15 Terry Langley, Dan Olson, and then is it
16 Ailene Croup? A-I-L-E-N-E?

17 MS. AILENE CROUP: Croup.

18 MR. CHARLIE PETERSON: Okay, thank you.
19 Excuse me, thank you.

20 Terry.

21 MR. TERRY LANGLEY: Good evening. Thank
22 you for letting me have an opportunity to speak.

23 My name is Terry Langley, L-A-N-G-L-E-Y.
24 I'm a representative of Pipeliners Local Union 798.

25 I'm also here to speak in support of the

1 pipeline. You know, all over the country where we
2 go, we listen to these people, the politicians
3 mainly, talking about what we need in this country
4 is jobs, jobs, jobs. Well, we do. We need jobs.
5 And we have a good company, a reputable company that
6 is wanting to build a safe pipeline, environmentally
7 sound, and it will create a lot of jobs. But we are
8 being held up. And I think that it's time to grant
9 the permits and let's get this pipeline on the road.
10 So I'm in support of it.

11 Thank you.

12 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Thank you very
13 much. I appreciate it.

14 Dan Olson is next up, all right. Then
15 Ailene, and then Sherrill, Sherrill Wilds.

16 MR. DAN OLSON: Good evening. My name is
17 Dan Olson, O-L-S-O-N. I am the International
18 representative for the Laborers International Union
19 in North America, representing men and women in the
20 workforce in Minnesota and North Dakota.

21 I sit before you in total support of this
22 pipeline, the proposed route. Looking at some of
23 the documents that have been put in front of me for
24 over two years are some and the same that I've
25 looked at two years ago. The process is under

1 various scrutinized eyes with all the departments
2 that are looking at these projects.

3 The economic impact to this pipeline
4 coming from North Dakota to Superior, Wisconsin
5 is -- it's very large, as to all the cities, all the
6 people. When Mr. LaBorde talked about the money
7 that's been spent where we live, where we buy our
8 materials and stuff, a dollar spent on a project is
9 turned over seven times. So that could be equated
10 into the 616-mile route and figure out where the
11 economic impact is to all those communities.

12 I live in Superior, Wisconsin, that's
13 where the Enbridge terminal is, and in the city of
14 Superior itself, and Duluth, Minnesota, Enbridge is
15 one of the largest employers in the region.

16 A couple of the other things that are
17 very important for people to understand is the
18 safety that we put forward. The people that we
19 train to work on these pipelines. The amount of
20 time that's spent on the environmental impacts as
21 well. So that people in our industry are very
22 cognizant of what we should be doing to protect the
23 environment. We all have the same interests in mind
24 at the end of the day.

25 This week marks Workers' Memorial Week,

1 with Wednesday, April 28th, as being a nationally
2 recognized holiday. We go through the process of
3 accidents and injuries and we go through a very
4 stringent process of making sure that we don't have
5 accidents, deaths, injuries. So our industry, the
6 Laborers Union, the Operating Engineers, the
7 Teamsters, and the Welders all have safety
8 precautions in their training, in our unions, and we
9 bring forth the best skilled force that is possibly
10 available to work on these projects.

11 The route that is proposed is on a
12 right-of-way, whether it's an oil right-of-way, a
13 natural gas line right-of-way or transmission line
14 right-of-ways. These would provide the safest route
15 for that pipeline as they are contained in a
16 right-of-way already, the less impact of, oh,
17 untouched lands and rivers and lakes would be the
18 most common and the most best-used principles for
19 this pipeline.

20 So I stand here in front of you in total
21 support of this project. Thank you.

22 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Thank you very
23 much for your comments.

24 Next up is Ailene.

25 MS. AILENE CROUP: I'm going to

1 relinquish my comment period time to the next
2 person.

3 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Sherrill Wilds is
4 the next person here. Thank you. Ready?

5 MS. SHERRILL WILDS: Good evening. My
6 name is Sherrill Wilds, S-H-E-R-R-I-L-L, W-I-L-D-S.
7 I am a pipeliner. Actually, I like to say I'm a
8 pipeliner with eyeliner. It's my career, it's my
9 lifestyle. I've been doing it for over 20-some
10 years now. I travel throughout the country. I'm at
11 a Local 66. I'm an operating engineer. Local 66 is
12 in Pennsylvania. I am what you call a professional
13 pipeliner.

14 Why I'm out in this area right now is I
15 am a guest instructor for the national pipeline
16 training. We have 178 classes that are taught by
17 professional pipeliners. We teach everything from
18 safety to the environmental, to well trained people.
19 I actually teach the engineering and the bending.
20 And I can tell you that our impact as professional
21 pipeliners make it as safe as any way of
22 transporting that pipeline.

23 I'm also a grandmother of seven
24 grandchildren. And I had a pipeline that come
25 through my farm, my area, and I have no problems

1 allowing my grandchildren or my family and friends
2 to be able to be on that. I know it's the safest.

3 What I teach is the safety. We have ways
4 and equipment of doing things to protect the
5 integrity and the coating of that pipe. We have
6 ways of putting that in the ground to be able to do
7 that.

8 Dan spoke very well. And everything that
9 he says, I am -- it was incredible, he's an
10 incredible speaker. Everyone here from the unions,
11 we are all well-trained people doing our job. When
12 we come into an area, again, like Curtis says, we
13 live in that area. I need a place to put my travel
14 trailer. I shop. I eat. I am going to help the
15 economy. I buy local when I'm in the area. It's my
16 home away from home.

17 I love being a pipeliner. I'm usually in
18 an area three to six months, eight months at a time.
19 And you get to know the area, the history. A lot of
20 good people. I've met a lot of good people. And I
21 get to know all the good back roads and the
22 wildlife. It's incredible what this country has.

23 We need this pipeline. We need this oil.
24 There's over 6,000 petroleum products that we use
25 every day in our life. Toothbrushes. All the

1 plastic. Combs. Heart valves. I have a list, a
2 partial list of over 6,000 products that we need
3 this that impacts our everyday life.

4 Everybody talks about the vehicles, the
5 fuel. It's only a partial, less than half a barrel
6 of oil, a 42-gallon barrel goes towards gasoline.
7 Everything else goes to everyday items that we use
8 every day.

9 I would like to thank you. I am in
10 support of this pipeline. It is my lifestyle. And
11 I would like to let you know that we do train in our
12 crafts how to do it safely, how to take care of it,
13 and how to take care of our environment. Thank you.

14 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Thank you very
15 much for your comments.

16 Everyone that had signed a card has had
17 an opportunity to speak. Just a second. Is there
18 anyone else who would like to speak? The gentleman
19 here. Anyone else? I will give -- I apologize, is
20 it Ailene? Okay. I'll give you the first chance
21 because you had a chance before. Are you going to
22 pass? Okay. I'll put it down. Anybody else?

23 MR. JOHN MUNTER: I actually turned my
24 card in I think first and it never got transferred
25 there somehow.

1 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: I apologize. I
2 don't see it.

3 Come forward. It'll still be the same
4 process, five minutes. Go through the same piece,
5 just one last call for anybody else? We'll still
6 have an opportunity 'cause we have time.

7 Anything, Janet? You're ready to go?
8 Thank you.

9 MR. JOHN MUNTER: My name is John Munter,
10 M-U-N-T-E-R. I live in Warba, Minnesota, and I have
11 a bachelor's degree in philosophy from the
12 University of Minnesota - Duluth and a master's
13 divinity degree from the University of Dubuque
14 Theological Seminary. And I've also worked for the
15 Laborers International Union of North America, and
16 also I am a member.

17 And I have some real concerns about this
18 pipeline. I've talked extensively with Jamie
19 MacAlister earlier, I appreciate her comments, and
20 with Scott Ek and with the PCA and the DNR. And so
21 my comments are maybe short, depending on how far I
22 can get on my slim notes here. But basically the
23 pipeline we're -- the pipelines we're talking about
24 are a segment of the project in Minnesota. They
25 come into Minnesota and they depart from Minnesota.

1 And the Minnesota environmental -- MEPA,
2 the Act, is a general umbrella that works with these
3 pipelines. And you need to ascertain the overall
4 picture of the pipelines, the ecosystems, regardless
5 of state boundaries with that. And so the EIS will
6 do some of that working with North Dakota and with
7 the EIS in Wisconsin.

8 My concern is we don't have enough
9 information yet about this pipeline, in terms of
10 establishing the public purpose of it, because we
11 don't know where the oil is going. Jamie MacAlister
12 assures me that we'll know at some point when
13 Enbridge provides us the information of where the
14 oil is going, whether it's going to the Gulf or
15 whether it's going to refineries in Joliet or
16 whether it's going out Lake Superior. But as yet we
17 don't know. And so therefore we don't really have a
18 good understanding of what routings are possible or
19 applicable here, in terms of that, whether the
20 routings around Minnesota would be possible or
21 applicable.

22 Because if we don't know where the oil is
23 going, we don't know what the public purpose is. Is
24 it for export? Are we exporting this oil benefiting
25 the world, or is it for the local area? And the

1 public purpose is defined as this area, apparently
2 it's not just Minnesota, but it's -- I don't
3 remember the term of it, but it's the upper Midwest
4 states have this oil pact. And so anything that
5 provides oil to, say, Joliet, Illinois, for example,
6 or somewhere else near would be included in the
7 public purpose that could be used to make these
8 pipelines. But we don't know what percentage might
9 be going to Joliet. And if 50 percent is going to
10 the Gulf, or 80 percent is being exported, is that a
11 public purpose that we should be using eminent
12 domain to take Minnesota farms and land for this
13 purpose, for export of oil or for local. So we
14 don't yet know what the public purpose is and
15 therefore we don't know if eminent domain is
16 applicable and an appropriate thing to use.

17 I might end my comments here and be
18 interested in a second round in a minute or two. I
19 just might want to add, Jamie, though, that the
20 interest that people have, what I heard in comments
21 last year and it wasn't listed in your list of
22 criteria, was global climate change. I think I
23 heard a lot of comments myself I know about climate
24 change. I think that should be added, especially
25 with the changing climate situation we have and data

1 that are coming in.

2 So I'll end right here with that. Thank
3 you.

4 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Thank you very
5 much for your comments.

6 Final call? Anyone who would like to
7 make a comment? Going once? Going twice?

8 Okay. Jamie, where are we at as far as
9 next steps on this? What do we do from here and
10 where do the comments go from here?

11 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: First I would like
12 to answer a couple of questions that I heard
13 earlier.

14 One is regarding when the 280 days will
15 begin. And that 280-day clock will start once the
16 Commission approves a final scope and an EIS
17 preparation notice is issued. That would be the
18 official start of the 280 days. And at this point
19 we are anticipating that that might happen sometime
20 towards the end of August. It will depend on how
21 quickly this process can move forward between now
22 and then.

23 And the other question I wanted to answer
24 is about the greenhouse gases. And that is on our
25 list here. Climate change is on your Appendix B.

1 And let me just see where that is. That's under E,
2 climate change.

3 MR. JOHN MUNTER: Okay.

4 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: It is in the
5 outline for study. It was among the top, I would
6 agree, ten things we heard. It didn't quite make
7 that cut.

8 But in terms of where we go from here,
9 the comment period closes on May 26th. Once that
10 comment period closes, we will be developing a
11 comment summary report that will summarize all of
12 the comments that we've heard. It will tell us if
13 there are any new route or segment alternatives that
14 have been proposed and that will be included in the
15 summary report. And a proposed final scope will be
16 developed and submitted to the Commission. And that
17 will depend somewhat on the number and the nature of
18 the comments that we receive during the comment
19 period. If we receive a lot of comments it may take
20 us a little longer to process those, but that's the
21 general schedule.

22 As far as for the rest of this evening,
23 we will be here to answer any questions. Janet will
24 be here to take comments, if there are any
25 additional comments. You can submit your comments

1 to us by your comment form this evening as well, if
2 you'd like.

3 And with that, is there anyone else
4 that -- yes.

5 UNIDENTIFIED: Will those comments be
6 posted somewhere?

7 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: Yes, they will.
8 The comments and the comment summary report will all
9 be available on eDockets as well as our website.

10 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Anything else?
11 Any other comments, briefly.

12 MR. JOHN MUNTER: Well, I just thought I
13 had requested about doing a round two. Did I miss
14 that?

15 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Yes. When you
16 commented it was technically the round two. And I
17 asked for additional comments of anyone that would
18 like to comment.

19 MR. JOHN MUNTER: Well, that was actually
20 round one for me, because I submitted my card
21 earlier and somehow you lost the card or something.

22 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: I apologize on the
23 card. It was not up here. I think we've gone
24 through the aspect of hearing comments.

25 Do you want to open it up for a second

1 round?

2 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: Yep.

3 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: I apologize again,
4 I apologize on the card aspect. I have no idea
5 where that's at. We'll get you a microphone and get
6 you going. Thank you. Are you ready?

7 MR. JOHN MUNTER: Yes. I appreciate
8 that.

9 My name is John Munter again,
10 M-U-N-T-E-R.

11 And I have a couple of scattered comments
12 here, in terms of the Line 3 pipe should be dug up
13 and should be dug up because there's 900 anomalies
14 on that pipe. And we don't know how many leaks are
15 going into the groundwater in various places and
16 that type of thing. So it's not just the pipe
17 itself, but what has already happened in that pipe
18 and what's being put in the groundwater. So unless
19 Enbridge digs it up we'll never find out what is
20 going on around the pipe. It should be cleaned up
21 before they end their business there.

22 And nextly, the no option should be
23 seriously considered for this pipeline. For one,
24 the problem of methane is really serious in the
25 Bakken. A satellite that went over a couple years

1 ago found a 10 percent methane release from the
2 Bakken area, as well as like 9 percent over Texas.
3 And the equivalent of coal, you'd have to have a
4 methane release of 3.2 percent methane. And so
5 actually the oil coming from the Bakken is worse
6 than coal, in terms of its greenhouse gas emissions.

7 And we also need to seriously look at the
8 economics here. Is Enbridge only putting in these
9 pipelines for the future? If the oil is not making
10 a difference now for price, five years from now do
11 they want to be competing with wind and solar? And
12 so to me that is a question that goes to the public
13 purpose. Is that a public purpose or is that a
14 private purpose? And we need to divide out the
15 public purpose from the private purpose, and what we
16 want versus what Enbridge wants, and that goes for
17 the routing of this going through Superior as well
18 here.

19 Well, I guess I'll end there. I
20 appreciate your indulgence.

21 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: Thank you very
22 much for your additional comments.

23 Anyone else?

24 Okay. Jamie, any additional thoughts or
25 comments?

1 MS. JAMIE MACALISTER: No. Nothing else,
2 other than we're here to answer questions if you
3 have any further questions or anything else you'd
4 like to discuss with us. We'll be here until 9:00.

5 MR. CHARLIE PETERSEN: And we've gone
6 through this. Again, there are multiple ways to
7 provide your comments in the process here, but
8 basically on that comment sheet. So those are the
9 things to have.

10 Thank you very much for taking the time
11 out of your busy evenings to come and comment here.
12 Thanks. Goodbye.

13 (Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.)
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