From: Megan <slater.mego@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 09, 2017 7:03 PM
To: MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: Public Comment: Line 3 Project (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137)

To whom it may concern,

Please, to safeguard the health of residents and the environment, I urge the Commission to reject the permit to Enbridge's Replacement Line 3. Pipelines break, and we can't drink oil.

If the process continues, at the very least, the old line 3 should be removed and remediated before any new projects commenced. Enbridge has the responsibility to clean up its existing infrastructure and should not be allowed to continue ripping up the earth without caring for what they already put in place.

The alternative route SA-04 would have lower risk of harm to the lakes and the Native communities who depend on them. This route should be authorized and pursued, as that is the purpose of the EIS process in the first place.

Fundamentally, it's in all our best interests to invest in renewable energy systems and divest from more pipelines. Let's create more jobs through wind and solar and ensure our beautiful MN parks and lakes thrive for generations to come.

Thank you,

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From: Scott Slocum

To: MN COMM Pipeline Comments

Subject: Docket numbers CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137. Deficiencies in the Line 3 Pipeline Draft DEIS.

Date: Saturday, June 10, 2017 11:49:39 AM

6/10/2017

To: MN Dept. of Commerce (MN DOC)

From: Scott Slocum, 1416 Birchcrest Drive, White Bear Lake, MN 55110.

Re: Docket numbers CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137. Deficiencies in the Line 3 Pipeline DEIS.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Line 3 Pipeline DEIS.

I have reviewed the MN DOC draft EIS (DEIS) including the interactive map of proposed pipeline routes; the Honor the Earth fact sheet "Enbridge Line 3 Pipeline: what you need to know;" and the MN 350 analysis "Line 3 Replacement DEIS – Talking Points for Public Comments." Additionally, I have followed the tar-sands and pipeline issues in the news for several years.

I am opposed to the construction of the Line 3 Pipeline. That includes my opposition to all of the proposed routes. My overriding concern is for the high probability of environmental disaster from oil spills, and the prohibitive public expense of cleanup--in the short term after each spill, and in the long-term after the pipeline has been abandoned by its operators and placed into the public realm.

I find that the draft DEIS has not sufficiently analyzed the following: 1) the potential for pipeline spills, 2) the financial and environmental costs of the damage that are likely to be done by such spills, 3) the public costs of the immediate pollution and cleanup of such spills (either direct or transferred through consumer fees), 4) the short-term public costs of postabandonment cleanup, or 5) the long-term public costs of pollution and other remnants of the pipeline that would be likely to remain undetected or otherwise unremoved from the land and waters after pipeline abandonment.

I don't find adequate assurances in the DEIS or elsewhere that the pipeline operators will be able to pay, or be required to pay, these costs; or that the full, probable long-term public costs have been adequately accounted for. Part of my perspective on this comes from looking back on the history of the solid-waste landfill sites that are now in the Minnesota Closed Landfill Program; or to the immediate pollution zone around the abandoned Duluth Works that is still polluted, and still under massive cleanup efforts at public expense. Another part of my perspective comes from the operators' plans to abandon the old Line 3 pipeline rather than do a thorough job of removing it and cleaning it up. And yet another part of my perspective comes from the lack of documentation in the draft DEIS of credible, long-term assurances that the operators will pay the real costs of pollution and cleanup. It is clear to me that, as with other large-scale industrial projects of this consequence in the past, the long-term and preponderant financial and environmental costs of this project would be abandoned to the public expense, and that that public expense makes this project a financial and environmental folly.

What are the practical alternatives that can be encouraged by the state of Minnesota? First and foremost, public investment in renewable energy generation, and in energy conservation. Second, public investment in safer mechanisms for the transport of petroleum and other hazardous products. Third, public investment in petroleum-refining alternatives that don't require such dangerous, long-distance transport. I'm not familiar with the other alternatives, but I believe they're significant. We can do a lot with smart public policy, allied with industry innovation and developments in sustainable technology.

Sincerely, Scott Slocum

From: Beth Slocum <bethslocum004@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 8:45 AM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: Do not permit Enbridge Line 3 - docket numbers: CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

For these reasons:

- 1) This line is proposed to pass through the sensitive environments of Minnesota treaty lands and delicate, pristine watersheds of the Great Lakes and our vast network of Minnesota lakes. This will become an environmental disaster as Enbridge has a very poor record of safe transport of oil with over 800 spills in the last 15 years -- with the ultimate disaster of the 2010 spill into the Kalamazoo River. Spills of great magnitude with this new proposal are inevitable.
- 2) The proposal violates the treaty rights of the Anishinaabe tribes to have their access to these lands for hunting, fishing, wild rice gathering and their cultural resources in these lands. The original Line 3 has been abandoned and this new proposal should not go forward. This proposal threatens the way of life of the Ojibwe people.
- 3) Enbridge is a private, for profit, publicly traded Canadian company and as such should never be considered a public utility as it does not provide necessary public services to any of Minnesota's citizens. In fact, much of what it transports will be sold on the international market at no benefit to Minnesota.
- 4) No foreign company should be allowed to have the right to eminent domain in our state. This must be a prerogative only for our Minnesota government which serves our citizens and is responsible to them.
- 5) The old Enbridge Line 3 should be abandoned carefully and monitored by Minnesota regulators to protect our soil and water resources. It should not be replaced with this new proposal. Too much is at stake.

I urge you to deny the proposal for Enbridge's new line 3.

Thank you, Nancy Slocum 453 Oliver Ave South Mineapolis, MN 55405 612-823-6112

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Docket numbers: CN-14-916; PPL-15-437



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From: <u>Jennifer Smith</u>

To: MN COMM Pipeline Comments

Subject: Line 3 Replacement Project DEIS CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 8:20:10 PM

Dear Ms. MacAlister,

I am a Minnesotan and want to see the environment protected like most others. I also believe replacing aging infrastructure like pipelines is imperative to protecting the environment

We all use the products made from the crude oil shipped on Line 3 every single day. The State of Minnesota needs to keep to the EIS timeline of the statutory deadline of 280 days.

Sincerely,

Jennifer L. Smith 5135 Fish Lake Rd Duluth, MN 55803 jenjens1121@yahoo.com

From: Jeff Smith <bli>Sent: Saturday, July 01, 2017 8:16 PM
To: MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: A job

Dear Ms. MacAlister,

A job where can you put in application

Sincerely,

Jeff Smith 512 Rose St Duluth, MN 55803 blixxx44@gmail.com

From: Barb Smith
Sent: Saturday, July 08, 2017 2:42 PM
To: MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: Pipeline

Jamie MacAlistir Environmental Review Manager Minnesota Department of Commerce

Docket Numbers CN14-916 and PPL0150137

I would like to express my strong oppostion to the pipeline currently proposed to go through the Headwaters of the Mississippi watershed. My family began coming to this area to vacation in the early 1930s when my granddad and dad began coming to fish on Two Inlets Lake. My family was lucky enough to be able to build a cabin there in the 70s and my first grandson just spent his first summer "at the lake" in 2016. We want this area to be protected against environmental degradation which seems inevitable with the presence of a pipeline so that his grandchildren and others can still be enjoying this beautiful lake area in the next 100 years. The risks of an oil spill are too great and would definitely counteract any short term economic gains for the area. Once the groundwater is contaminated, it will take decades for those effects to subside. It is just not worth it. I hope that you strongly oppose this plan and protect the invaluable lakes and forest of Northern Minnesota. A second route which sends this pipeline through less sensitive landscape—less permeable rock, fewer natural wildlife areas—has also been proposed. Please consider supporting a thorough EIS of these routes before a final decision is made.

Sincerely

Barbara Smith

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From: C Smith <clarabillsmith@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 09, 2017 4:09 PM
To: MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: Public Comment: Line 3 Project (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137)

I am opposed to the Line 3 project. In my opinion, the environmental risks far outweigh any economic benefit to the citizens of Minnesota. No permanent jobs will go to Minnesotans and most temporary jobs will go to out-of-state residents. Enbridge will stop paying taxes to the Minnesota counties along the mainline corridor once the existing Line 3 shuts down. The question is how long will we continue to rely on oil as we expand alternatives to fossil fuel. Climate change regulations will curb fossil fuel demand. Developing a renewable energy infrastructure should be our focus. The following excerpt is from The Economist, Nov., 2016.

"The International Energy Agency (IEA), a global forecaster, says that to come close to a 2°C target, oil demand would have to peak in 2020 at 93m barrels per day (b/d), just above current levels. Oil use in passenger transport and freight would plummet over the next 25 years, to be replaced by electricity, natural gas and biofuels. None of the signatories to the Paris accord has pledged such draconian action yet, but as the costs of renewable energy and batteries fall, such a transition appears ever more inevitable. 'Whether or not you believe in climate change, an unstoppable shift away from coal and oil towards lower-carbon fuels is under way, which will ultimately bring about an end to the oil age,' says Bernstein, an investment-research firm."

Since I am a resident near Park Rapids I am deeply concerned about the rerouting of Line 3 through our area and the environmental impact. Enbridge has no vested interest in the quality of our lakes, rivers, and marshlands. Oil spills are inevitable and my understanding is that tar sand spills are almost impossible to clean up. I am also concerned about the pipe that will be abandoned and left in the ground. This is unacceptable.

Therefore, I strongly urge the Commission to <u>not</u> issue a Certificate of Need and <u>not</u> issue a route permit for the project. Are the consequences for granting the CN more favorable than the consequences of denying the certificate? No! Finally, in the Guide to the Line 3 Project Public Meeting Booklet there are many references to "the Commission". Who is the Commission?

Thank you for providing this public forum. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Clara E. Smith 24822 State 87 Nevis, MN 56467

From: Kendolynn Smith <kmlaroque@msn.com>

Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 2:20 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: Stop Enbridge Line #3 replacement, Stop insurgence of activists.

I hope they get this stopped so we don't have thousands of people coming into MN. Yes, a protest is good, but the damage. Still not the damage that an oil spill could cause. I don't know, just stop this. Does it really have to run through or that close to our water supply? Why do we have to give private companies a right of way wherever they want to go.

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That was never clearer than last year when what began as a small protest over the route of an oil pipeline near North Dakota's Standing Rock Reservation mushroomed ...

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Cc: jts1101@yahoo.com; tamara.s.smith@outlook.com

Subject: Our Comments - Public Comment: Line 3 Project (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137)

Attachments: Tamara and James Smith - Public Comment on Line 3.docx

Jamie MacAlister

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Subject: Public Comment: Line 3 Project (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137)

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Enbridge's proposed route traverses our best quality lakes, rivers, wetlands and forest ecosystems. I am not against pipelines, but I strong recommend that you consider route SA-04 which avoids our cleanest water resources and crosses land less permeable and better suited for pipelines.

The risks posed by Enbridge's proposed route are many:

- This pipeline route crosses the clearest lakes area in MN based on the Census of Water Clarity (U of MN Water Resources Center).
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- Line 3 would cross the Mississippi River twice in Minnesota. This river is a valuable source of drinking water for many cities on its 2,552-mile journey to the Gulf of Mexico, including Minneapolis and St Paul. 3.8 million gallons of water flow from Lake Itasca into the headwaters every day.
- The pipeline route crosses the wild rice lakes area. According to the DNR, MN supplies 50% of the world's hand-picked rice annually.
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2. This route creates a significant risk to Minnesota's 2nd largest economic area.

Minnesota lakes are the key source of revenue for tourism, recreation, fishing, and fisheries. The lakes are at the heart of our economy. The DEIS has a gaping hole as it does not discuss the general economic picture and great risks for Minnesota if this project is approved as Enbridge prefers. I am asking that an economic analysis for the project be completed.

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Thank you listening to my comments. I would like to see the additional information mentioned in the final EIS.

Sincerely,

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5006 Keystone Ridge SE Cedar Rapids, IA 52403 From: <u>Daniel Snidarich</u>

To: MN COMM Pipeline Comments

Subject: Line 3 Replacement Project DEIS CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

Date: Sunday, June 04, 2017 6:50:04 PM

Dear Ms. MacAlister,

I support this project for reasons of jobs and responsible means of transport of fuel. The area can benefit by moving forward with the project.

Sincerely,

Daniel Snidarich 8760 Savage Rd Angora, MN 55703 dsnidarich@local49.org

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From: Susan Snyder <susan_tyra@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Sunday, July 09, 2017 10:23 AM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: Public Comment: Line 3 Project (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137)

Isn't the inclusion of rail and truck transport of oil to Superior a <u>false equivalence</u> in the preparation of this EIS?

With the exception of a small refinery in Superior, everyone knows this oil is destined for markets further south in the United States.

Thank you.

It's unfortunate and unfair that the public wasn't given additional time to respond to the DEIS, as a result of Enbridge delays, in releasing it (probably purposeful).



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From: Susan Snyder <susan_tyra@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Sunday, July 09, 2017 10:06 AM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: Public Comment: Line 3 Project (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137)

Dear Environmental Review Manager:

A *Certificate of Need* for this proposed project must take into account whether there is a <u>need in Minnesota</u> for this pipeline — in other words, whether there is a *state* need (not a national need).

Statistics relative to <u>national need</u> show that <u>U.S. fuel demand was down 5 percent in 2015 compared</u> to its 2007 peak.

In Minnesota, fuel demand was down 19 percent in 2016 compared to its 2004 peak.

As these trends continue, and higher efficiency/electric cars become increasingly popular (as well as alternative sources of energy, e.g. solar, wind, etc.), it is highly unlikely a new pipeline is needed.

(http://www.sierraclub.org/sites/www.sierraclub.org/files/sce/north-star-chapter/pdf/EnergySecurity.pdf)

Further analysis of this information must be addressed in the EIS.

Thank you.

Susan





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Please share your comments on the Line 3 Project Draft ElS. What could be improved in the ElS? What is unclear? What is missing? Please reference specific sections of the Draft ElS, if possible. Use additional pages as needed.

For project information visit: http://mn.gov/commerce/energyfacilities/line3.

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From: Maren Sarah Solheim < Maren.Solheim@colorado.edu>

Sent: Saturday, July 08, 2017 12:45 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

I'm Maren Solheim from Minneapolis. As a person of faith and as a resident of Minnesota, I am very concerned about the new Line 3 proposed by Enbridge. Though the environmental impact statement acknowledges many severe consequences to land, water, and local communities, it appears the no-build option is not being seriously considered.

I am alarmed by the plans for this pipeline, which disregard the severe impacts of potential spills to ricing lakes, rivers, and even to Lake Superior. Furthermore, I find it unacceptable that we, as a state, continue to expect Native communities to disproportionately endure the impacts of extracting and transporting oil. These risks are outlined but not considered reason enough to reject the pipeline.

We have a responsibility to current and future generations, locally and globally, to keep out Tar Sands oil that could pollute MN waters and contribute significantly to climate change. Climate scientists agree it is time to leave the oil in the ground.

I implore you to weigh the dire consequences of this pipeline and strongly consider rejecting it.

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Line 3 roeds to be replaced. Enbridge has been, working for years to safely replace this aging pipeline before there are any leaks. They need to replace this pipeline and can do it safely for people and the environment, let them do what they do best and stop delaying them.

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From: Ann Sorum <annbsorum88@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 2:43 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: Fwd: Fw: pipeline

In addition to what my friend wrote in her email, (see below), I will add that the only people who seem to benefit are those who have stock in oil production.

In the 1950's, tobacco companies had campaign ads to "prove" cigarette smoke does not cause cancer. How many died because of that? The oil is sent to New Orleans and shipped to...??? China, which is desperately trying to reduce their pollution. Should we not be thinking about the future of our grandchildren and the air they breathe, instead of lining the pockets of climate-change-deniers who hold stock in oil companies and are told lies by the oil companies? There are many more jobs in clean air energy!!

Ann Sorum annbsorum 88@gmail.com

---- Forwarded Message -----

From: cheryl doering < cdoering2000@yahoo.com>

To: "pipeline.comments@state.mn.us" <pipeline.comments@state.mn.us>

Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 1:31 PM

Subject: Re: pipeline

I am e-mailing re: proposed Enbridge pipeline to register my opposition, because of the risk of oil spills in the Mississippi River headwaters region, and lakes where Ojibwe people harvest wild rice, along with the risk for the entire length of the pipeline. The pipeline would carry tar sands crude. In Canada, the extraction of this is turning boreal forest to lunar-like landscapes of open-pit mines and wastewater containment ponds. Tar sands extraction emits up to three times more global warming pollution than conventional crude. The oil is thicker and more acidic, which increases the likelihood of a leak. When it does spill, it is more

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detrimental to water resources. This whole scenario is an environmental disaster in the making! NO to the Enbridge pipeline! Cheryl Doering

From: Carol Soto <carol111us@yahoo.com>

Sent: Sunday, July 09, 2017 5:10 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: Enbridge New Line 3 -- DEIS CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

Dear Mr. MacAlister,

The state of Minnesota, like the rest of the US, has reached a fork in the road regarding our energy future. We can chose to move to sustainable, non-polluting energy sources like wind and solar or continue to utilize environmentally destructive and unsustainable fossil fuels.

The current request by Enbridge to abandon its old pipeline and build the Line 3 pipeline will not provide sigificant benefits to any party other than Enbridge, but it will negatively impact the people and lands of Minnesota. These negative impacts will be particularly onerous for Native Americans who rely on the clarity of the waters and land for their existence (as we all do, ultimately).

Please do not grant this permit. It does not benefit the many but the few.

Sincerely, Carol Soto San Francisco, CA

From: Mr. & Mrs. Marty Soukup <user@votervoice.net>

Sent:Sunday, July 09, 2017 3:35 PMTo:MN_COMM_Pipeline CommentsSubject:Comment CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

Dear Ms. MacAlister,

I am a Minnesotan and want to see the environment protected like most others.

I believe replacing aging infrastructure like pipelines is imperative to protecting the environment.

The MPCA has recently released the Mississippi River Watershed report that shows the cleanest waters in the state are in northern Minnesota. Energy infrastructure and clean waters can co-exist.

Enbridge has found a route that follows existing utility corridors.

Pipelines are everywhere in Minnesota, according to the Environmental Quality Board's report. I'm familiar with pipeline right of ways in northern Minnesota around Bemidji, Grand Rapids, Cass Lake and Alexandria. Pipelines and natural resources have gone hand-in-hand in northern Minnesota for decades.

Topic: EIS and Line 3 Replacement Regulatory Schedule As a resident of northern Minnesota, I've watched the regulatory process for more than 2 years for the Line 3 Replacement Project.

I feel there has been ample time for public comment and urge the Department of Commerce to move the process forward to replace Line 3.

No further time or study is needed to evaluate the environmental impacts due to the thorough and well-prepared EIS. Please keep the EIS timeline to the statutory deadline of 280 days.

Topic: Deactivation

Deactivating a pipeline in-place is the most commonly-used industry method to retire a pipeline.

Leaving the permanently deactivated pipeline in place is the safest option as it reduces the risk of soil stability issues, avoids major construction activities and reduces the potential risk to existing pipelines from heavy equipment. As a landowner, I'd rather have the pipe deactivated in place to avoid further construction on my property.

Sincerely,

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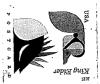
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From: Carolyn Spangler < carolynspangler1@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, July 09, 2017 11:47 AM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** public comment Line 3 project (CN-14-196 and PPL-12-137)

#### **Dear Environmental Review Manager:**

I believe there is missing data in the Line 3 DEIS. There is apparently no information from a dilbit study done by the National Academy of Sciences, which you can find

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I would like this to be included in the final EIS. Thank you.

Carolyn Spangler 15995 Freedom Drive Park Rapids, MN 56470

From: Maurice Spangler < mauricespangler@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, July 09, 2017 12:06 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Public comment: Line 3 Project (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137)

#### **Dear Environmental Review Manager:**

There is nothing in the DEIS for Line 3 about the general economic picture for Minnesota if this project is approved as Enbridge prefers. Minnesota lakes are the source of revenue for fishing, water recreation, fisheries, and tourism in general. Where is the analysis of how a pipeline through some of the best lakes country in Minnesota will affect the fishing, tourism, and recreation industries (and others) in Minnesota? How would the towns along the route be affected (positively or negatively)? Does this pipeline provide enough benefits for Minnesota to balance the risk? I don't see anything about this in the DEIS. There must be an economical analysis for the EIS to be complete

Enbridge estimates that the spill rates would be twice as much for SA04 as for the preferred route since SA04 is twice as long. However, if a spill occurs in the preferred route it would cause, in my opinion, more devastation to very clean waters that are important to tourism than would a spill along SA04. I'd like to see more analysis as to the effects of spills on the quality of the waters, not just on the numbers based on the length of the corridors.

I'd also like to know if Enbridge plans to add more pipelines to their proposed route if the PUC agrees to the preferred route and, if so, how this would affect the spill devastations. Spills will happen, especially pinhole spills that can turn into large spells by being undetectable early in the course.

I think more information has to include whether there really is a <u>state</u> need for this pipeline. If it's to be used primarily for transporting tar sands oil to refineries to be shipped overseas, does the need of the oil drilling and transport companies to increase their profits justify the potential environmental damage of an oil spill in our beautiful waters? Estimate oil use is projected to continue to decline, especially with the advent of more and more electric vehicles.

Thank you,

Maurice Spangler, 15995 Freedom Drive, Park Rapids, MN 56470

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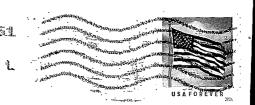
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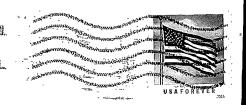
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Jamie MacAlister, Environmental Review Manager Minnesota Department of Commerce 85 7th Place East, Suite 280 St. Paul, MN 55101-2198 Dear Ms. MacAlister:

I am writing to encourage the timely acceptance of the Line 3 Replacement Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) so that the project can be considered for a certificate of need, route permit and ultimately operation. The acceptance of this EIS should be granted on the basis of the long-standing and responsible record of Enbridge operating multiple pipelines in northern Minnesota, the prudent engineering nature of this project and ongoing societal need for the product it is transporting.

Dig-ins by excavation equipment represent the number one risk to pipeline integrity, by locating the Line 3 Replacement in a largely new corridor, this risk is avoided on the existing adjacent pipelines during construction and during subsequent activities. Additionally the immediate full removal of the existing Line 3 does not serve a purpose in regards to protection of the environment and only increases the risk of a spill to adjacent lines. As a compromise, it should be explored under what conditions it would be reasonable and prudent for Enbridge to remove the existing Line 3 and when, perhaps in areas identified as having adequate access and workspace without risk of impacting adjacent lines.

For the last 5 years, I have had the opportunity to instruct senior level mechanical, civil, electrical and chemical engineering students in the proper design, construction and operations of pipelines at the local university. In this class, we stress the integrity and safety of pipeline systems above all else. We often bring in speakers from the outside, including consultants working for Enbridge and Enbridge project managers; it is encouraging for me and the students to learn how Enbridge has similar values of integrity and safety and that many of the graduating students strive to work in the pipeline industry that is vital to the economy of the Twin Ports.

The current Line 3 is approaching a point within its service life that additional maintenance will be required to keep the pipeline operating safely. When the new materials, construction methods and controls are viewed against any pipeline constructed 50 years ago, the differences are dramatic: better steel, better welding, better coatings, better quality control, better detection systems and most importantly a wider and safer corridor.

The existing Enbridge Line 3 has provided a vital transportation link between the politically secure oil producing regions of Western Canada and all of us energy users located in the Midwest for more than half a century. While moving towards more renewable sources of energy and electrification of transportation infrastructure is already set in motion, the most aggressive time estimates for adoption of electric vehicles is 58% by 2040. The remaining 42% of our transportation fuels are best provided by friendly nations or domestically produced and supports our local economy.

Kris Spenningsby, P.E.

Duluth, MN

From: <u>David Spero RN</u>

To: MN COMM Pipeline Comments

 Subject:
 New Line 3 pipeline (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137)

 Date:
 Wednesday, May 31, 2017 12:31:11 PM

Please use the strictest possible assessment of the environmental risks of this pipeline (New Line 3 pipeline (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137) because the tar sands oil it will transport IS NOT NEEDED. We need to start using cleaner sources of energy NOW. Sacrificing Minnesota environments as a side effect of an undesirable end - increasing oil consumption - is a lose-lose proposition. Real Minnesotans, human and animal, will suffer. Please take a hard, hard look at this project.

David Spero, San Francisco, CA

**From:** Shodo Spring <shodo.spring@gmail.com>

Sent:Monday, July 10, 2017 6:23 PMTo:MN_COMM_Pipeline CommentsSubject:CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

#### Greetings!

Here are brief comments on the proposal to replace Line 3 with a new and larger line.

#### Page ES-4ff: About the Certificate of Need:

- 1. Enbridge offered a list of possibilities if the CN is denied. All of them assume that there is a need to ship oil. This is not realistic. The need for oil is decreasing. The economics of fossil fuels versus alternative are shifting rapidly. If one includes the health and economic effects of environmental damage and climate change, the preference easily swings to the alternatives. Note that the planned KXL faces lack of demand and withdrawal of investors. People are using less oil in general. There is no need.
- 2. The oil is not for Minnesota. The plan is to deliver it to Superior, Wisconsin, to be used elsewhere. All Minnesota gets is temporary construction jobs, a new pipeline, an old pipeline closed off,immediate environmental damage, and the wait to see when and where the spills will happen. The profits go to Enbridge a Canadian corporation.
- 3. What if the same amount of money were put into other sources of energy? The economics are shifting, and if one adds the costs and benefits of environmental damage and climate change, there is no question.
- 4. In short, Minnesota does not need this pipeline.

#### (no page reference) Safety Claims and Industry Standards:

- 1. Enbridge claims that capping the old line is safer than removing it, that there will be absolutely no oil left in the line, and that there will be regular monitoring because it runs along with several other pipelines. Enbridge has a long history of spills and accidents. <a href="http://www.corp-research.org/enbridge">http://www.corp-research.org/enbridge</a>, as well as a history of denying responsibility and inadequate cleanup. After the Kalamazoo spill in 2010, they were fined and cited for "lack of safety culture."
- 2. I respectfully suggest that there is no reason to believe Enbridge will do any better here and now than they have done in the past, and they should be unwelcome in the State of Minnesota, where people live, work, breathe, and eat.

#### Page ES-12 ff: Need for Oil Pipelines, Part 2:

- 1. **ES-18-19** To assume that we need oil is to assume that we are in favor of climate change, even as the wildfires, droughts, and deaths escalate. However, if we are in favor of these things, pipelines are not the best way to transport oil.
- 2. When a pipeline leaks, the automated equipment usually does not catch it. Most spills are noticed by random individuals, not by the company, and vast amounts of oil are spilled before the cleanup even begins.
- 3. When a truck or rail car spills, on the other hand, it is noted immediately. The amount of spill is limited by the amount in the car or truck, and cleanup begins. The spill is dramatic and noticed. Oil companies prefer the hidden spills of pipelines, which are much larger and do much more damage.

#### **Environmental Justice:**

Briefly, because others have covered this better:

- 1. All the tribes in the area are strongly opposed to this pipeline. and are working to create an alternative EIS.
- 2. **Page ES-26:** The Applicant's Preferred Route maximizes damage to ricing lakes, Without a spill, there is damage; with a spill, there is more damage. This is damage that cannot be repaired.

Summary: The most important alternative has been left out of Enbridge's EIS. That alternative is to abandon fossil fuels and replace them with alternatives. By ignoring this option, the EIS is deeply flawed and should be rejected in whole.

Sincerely,

Shodo Spring 507-384-8541

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From: Monica Zachay <monicaz@scramail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, July 10, 2017 3:33 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Cc: Deb Ryun

**Subject:** Line 3 Draft EIS Comment, St. Croix River Association

Attachments: Line3CommentSCRA.pdf

Greetings,

Pease accept this letter on behalf of the St. Croix River Association, commenting on the Line 3 Draft EIS.

Thank you,

#### **Monica Zachay**

Land and Water Director

#### St. Croix River Association

Advocating for conservation throughout the watershed. PO Box 655
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Join us on Sunday, August 6 for our annual event, *Celebrating the River*, at the Horst Rechelbacher Farm. Visit our website for tickets and details: <u>stcroixriverassociation.org</u>.



July 6, 2017

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RE: Enbridge Energy's Proposed Line 3 Pipeline Project: Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

Dear Ms. MacAlister,

Thank you for the opportunity to review and present our comments and concerns regarding Enbridge Energy's Proposed Line 3 Pipeline Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement, docket numbers CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137. The location of the proposed route runs through the headwaters of the Kettle River, a Minnesota State designated "Wild and Scenic River", which directly drains into the nationally designated "Wild and Scenic" St. Croix River.

The St. Croix River and its tributaries, specifically the Kettle River, adds immeasurably to the quality of life on our communities and supports important tourism-based economic activity. We are very interested in pipeline safety. As background, the St. Croix River Association's (SCRA) mission is to protection, restore, and celebrate the St. Croix River and its watershed. As the only watershed-wide based organization for the St. Croix Basin, with Land and Water Resource Conservation main objective being to keep the Riverway and its tributaries clean, and to protect and restore critical ecosystems for habitat and scenic values, we are compelled to comment.

The Kettle River is an exceptional tributary to the St. Croix River, boasting high biodiversity as well as some of the most impressive whitewater rapids in Minnesota. Its watershed includes large areas of intact wetlands, pristine perennial headwater streams, and diverse mussel and fish faunas. It is home to 17 species of mussels, ancient lake sturgeon, and nationally significant brook lamprey and gilt darter. Several threatened, endangered, and sensitive species including bald eagles, Blanding's turtle, wood turtles, and osprey are also found in this area. Overall the water quality and aquatic systems of the Kettle River are in exceptional condition, as indicated by consistently high indices of biotic integrity. Given the uniqueness and ecologically sensitive ecosystems within the Kettle River watershed, we strongly oppose the proposed Line 3 pipeline route outlined in the Line 3 DEIS. The proposed route crosses through the most sensitive headwater areas of the Kettle River watershed and does not adequately mitigate or minimize the environmental impacts of pipeline construction or a potential

pipeline spill. The water resources, wildlife habitat, recreation opportunities, and rare ecological features in this area far outweigh the risks associated with the installation of Line 3.

In addition to the pipeline construction itself, we urge you to consider the added risks of a pipeline with increased capacity. The likelihood of a spill or breach are considerably greater with increased capacity, and with that risk comes potential for an increased impact on the resources. The cumulative potential effects of anticipated future pipeline construction within the St. Croix Watershed are of further concern. Added capacity through Superior terminal via Line 3 may lead to the need for increased capacity along the current pipeline corridor that crosses under the headwaters of the St. Croix, Namekagon, Eau Claire, and Totogatic rivers. We have had direct communications with Enbridge regarding the safety of the current pipelines, and intend to continue that open dialogue. However, the SCRA is opposed to a new line that runs through the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway, a congressionally designated wild and scenic river and a national park.

Thank you for considering these comments. It is critical to ensure the protection of the Kettle and St. Croix Rivers for the long-term health of these state and congressionally designated "Wild and Scenic" Rivers.

Sincerely,

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**Executive Director** 

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From: <u>Cindy Stahler</u>

To: MN COMM Pipeline Comments
Subject: CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

**Date:** Wednesday, May 31, 2017 7:05:26 AM

I wish to comment: no new pipelines are necessary. We need more renewable energy resources and not more fossil fuels. The drilling, processing, transporting, and burning of fossil fuels threatens the future of our planet. This particular pipeline would immediately threaten the Anishinaabe people. I would encourage you to think in terms of a viable future for people in Minnesota. Do not approve (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137).

Rev. Cynthia Stahler United Church of Christ

## I SUPPORT THE LINE 3 REPLACEMENT PROJECT

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**From:** bestancer@gmail.com

**Sent:** Saturday, July 08, 2017 8:45 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Public Comment: Line 3 Project (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137).

There is nothing in the DEIS for Line 3 about the general economic picture for Minnesota if this project is approved as Enbridge prefers. Minnesota lakes are the source of revenue for fishing, water recreation, fisheries, and tourism in general. Where is the analysis of how a pipeline through some of the best lakes country in Minnesota will affect the fishing, tourism, and recreation industries (and others) in Minnesota? How would the towns along the route be affected (positively or negatively)? Does this pipeline provide enough benefits for Minnesota to balance the risk? I don't see anything about this in the DEIS. There must be an economic analysis for the EIS to be complete. In the October 19, 2015 Star Tribune letter, from the Whitefish Area Property Owners Association (WAPOA), the annual revenue from lake cabin and home owners in property tax alone is \$300 million in Hubbard, Cass, Crow Wing, and Aitkin counties and add to this another \$300 million in tourism and second property owners expenditures. It is not a question of if, but when the proposed line 3 pipeline develops a leak what is the economic and environmental cost going to be when there is no proven way to clean up the spill in water,

http://www.mlive.com/news/index.ssf/2016/07/kalamazoo river oil spill time.html

https://www.ecowatch.com/5-years-since-massive-tar-sands-oil-spill-kalamazoo-river-still-not-cl-1882075674.html

Do you really want to take the risk of this kind of spill in wetlands, rivers, marshes and lakes?

Thank you, Robert Stancer 3715 Wellington Lane N Plymouth, MN 55441

From: Wachtler, John (COMM)

Sent: Sunday, July 09, 2017 9:57 AM

To: MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Subject: FW: Enbridge Line 3 comment

**From:** Susan Stanich [mailto:sstanich@yahoo.com]

Sent: Sunday, July 09, 2017 9:17 AM

To: Ek, Scott (PUC) <scott.ek@state.mn.us>; Wachtler, John (COMM) <john.wachtler@state.mn.us>

**Cc:** sen.eric.simonson@senate.mn **Subject:** Enbridge Line 3 comment

To the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission and the Minnesota Department of Commerce:

I live near where this pipeline is planned for Carlton County; I have goats and horses in the county; our family has been involved in Carlton County 4H; we buy much of our food from independent Carlton County farmers; I have an organic garden.

I oppose the entire project. Notwithstanding all the hard work and detailed research of the DEIS, the fact that looms over it all is that there are far too many serious safety variables* to allow the pipeline. It isn't particularly comforting to know that "a large release of crude is unlikely" when it is clear that many smaller releases are both likely and damaging.

On the contrary, we need to move definitively in the opposite direction, towards stopping the expansion of oil use and transport altogether. I once had a horse who manured in his manger and water bucket. We need to be smarter than that, and protect our land and water, not despoil it.

Susan Stanich 218-626-3318

#### *variables as listed in the DEIS conclusion:

- · _Receptor itself in terms of its vulnerability to exposure to crude oil, and its sensitivity, if it is exposed to crude oil
- _Type and volume of crude oil released
- _Timing and location of the release relative to seasonal occurrences and locations of sensitive receptors and uses
- _Climatic and site conditions at the time of the release
- _Ability of responders to contain the release
- _Speed, type and extent of cleanup, remediation, and restoration activities

From: Joe Stattine@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 06, 2017 1:44 PM
To: MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Cc:** Joe & Dawn Stattine

**Subject:** Comments, Line 3 Project Draft EIS

1. Please seriously reconsider the need for any new pipeline.

- -Our future is not in oil, especially not dirty, difficult to extract tar sands oil.
- -No real positive impact on job growth in Minnesota.
- 2. If any action is taken, it needs to include absolute and complete removal of the old line 3 line.
- 3. If any new pipeline is considered, it should be located in the existing corridor.

Thank You, Joe Stattine 16399 Ahrens Hill Circle Brainerd, MN 56401 218-829-4092

From: James Stauber <jamesstauber@stauberbrothers.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, July 09, 2017 9:50 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Line 3 Replacement

Dear Ms. MacAlister,

A heartfelt thank you to Enbridge for their continued concern for our environment, their concern for our safety, their concern for our economy, their concern for our way of life and for providing the resources we need to maintain our standard of living. It's time to let this company move forward with the Line 3 replacement.

Sincerely,

James E. Stauber 2706 W 11th St Duluth, MN 55806 jamesstauber@stauberbrothers.com



#### Comment Form Line 3 Project Draft EIS Public Meeting

Please provide your contact information. This information and y	our comments will be pub	licly available.
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I believe replacing line 3 in normal for the continued environmental health of northern Minnesoto. Aging pipelines are dangerous to people and wilderness alike and should be replaced.

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From: Becky Steinhoff <becksteinhoff@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, July 09, 2017 6:53 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Enbridge proposed pipeline dockets CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

**Attachments:** Comment for Dockets CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137.docx

Attached is my letter of comment for dockets CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137.

Thank you,

Rebecca Steinhoff

Sunday, July 9, 2017

Dear Minnesota PUC and anyone else this concerns:

I don't even know where to begin . . . an oil pipeline through the cleanest freshest waters in the whole United States . . . Really! I hope this horrible idea does not go through.

I moved to this area 6 years ago. Why? Because of the beautiful forests and the sparkling clean lakes that make up this area. It just doesn't make sense to me. Digging a trench through our lakes and rivers, wild rice beds and a main supply of water for those lucky folks in the Metropolitan area down in southern Minnesota, to lay a pipeline for some of the dirtiest, nastiest oil from CANADA. Let me see . . . it comes from Canada for Pete's sake. And WHY is this crappy dirty oil coming from CANADA to go through our beautiful pristine waters? Doesn't Canada have room for a pipeline for their OWN oil on their own soil?

So, this nasty oil coming into Minnesota, is it helping our economy? I think not, since it appears to me that it's being shipped out of the country! This is pure insanity! Think about it, isn't the United States supposed to be one of the most progressive countries in the world? Not so much. We are still living in the dark ages. We have access to clean energy alternatives. Clean energy as in wind (North Dakota the windiest state, I know because I moved from the flatlands!) and solar power. And I also know for a fact that both would employ more people, be ultimately more efficient and less expensive to use. So what do you think? Invest in our future with clean energy alternatives, preserving our precious natural resources, give more people jobs and have a cleaner environment? Yes!! A thousand times Yes!! It just makes more sense. Leave the oil and tar sands in the ground where it belongs!

Speaking of the economy, the area this supposed pipeline is proposed to go through will not provide jobs for our local people. The biggest source of income for this area is tourism. The number one, top income producer for this area. Why is tourism our top source of income? Because of the beautiful forests and CLEAN lakes and rivers! When the pipeline leaks it will ruin our lakes, rivers and aquifers. Think that will draw people here? Come swim and fish in our pools of oil!?! I am a shop owner, my lively hood depends upon tourism. That would vanish very quickly if (no when) that pipeline leaks.

Please, please, do not approve a pipeline for Enbridge, a foreign company with a horrible track record for pipeline leaks, when there is absolutely no need for this! Plus, they cannot be allowed to abandon the current line 3!

Thank you so much for your consideration in this matter,

Rebecca Steinhoff

Faribault, MN

**From:** Jim Steinlicht <jim@rushcreeklumber.com>

Sent:Friday, July 07, 2017 11:23 AMTo:MN_COMM_Pipeline CommentsSubject:CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

While pipelines may be safer than transporting oil by rail or truck, the potential for damaging our environment is huge. I'm concerned about the high pressure aspect of this pipeline & also the route it might take.

We can't afford to lose our pristine natural resources, especially our lakes & rivers in Northern & Central MN. Any project proposed for this area requires state of the art monitoring and safety practices. An oil spill is just not acceptable. Best Regards,

Jim Steinlicht

From: Judy Stern <jsternmotherearth@aol.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, July 09, 2017 3:43 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Enbridge pipeline

Please do not allow the pipeline to cross the headwaters of the Kettle River or St. Croix River. Leaks do happen and all of us downstream do not want to risk this. We do have a choice. We should not be forced to take that risk. Walter Mondale created the Wild and Scenic River to protect it from just this risk. It makes no sense to consider it.

Judy Stern jsternmotherearth@aol.com

From: Steve Sternberg <ssternbe@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, July 10, 2017 2:22 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Comments for docket numbers CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137. Line3 Project.

Comments for docket numbers CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137.

I am writing to express my opposition to the line 3 expansion. My reasons are:

The project does not benefit Minnesota. The company will collect all the profits for the project, while the taxpayers of Minnesota are forced to accept the risk. These risks include harm to the land and people during construction, harm to the lakes and rivers when the line leaks (they all do), and harm to the climate if the pumped oil is used. The costs (risks) far outweigh the benefits of a few temporary jobs during construction.

I also wish to express my concern that the old line 3 pipeline will remain in place to eventually leak and contaminate our State's lands. The statements from Enbridge do not adequately address this future problem - they only serve to show the lack of concern with future generations of people that will be harmed when the pipeline is breached by corrosion. I want the old line either completely filled with inert solids materials or completely removed. Filling it with inert gas only works for a while. This is an unacceptable level of risk for our State.

Finally, I do not agree with the certificate of need. The world is moving away from oil and fossil fuels. There is no need to expand. We need to use less. There is already an oversupply of oil in the world and the expectation is for the glut to continue as the world transitions away from oil.

Dr. Steven PK Sternberg

320 E Buffalo St

Duluth, MN, 55811

From: <u>Lawrence J Stock</u>

To: MN COMM Pipeline Comments

Subject: Comment CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

Date: Friday, June 09, 2017 9:20:05 AM

#### Dear Ms. MacAlister,

There are some simple facts that justify this pipeline, its routing and this DEIS:

- 1) The US population uses more oil than is produced domestically for its current standard of living therefore it must import oil, or go backwards and reduce its standard of living.
- 2) If the US does not import oil from Canada it will fill the need from third world countries that have marginal Human Rights and Environmental records.
- 3) Canada has a proven reserve of \$800 Billion of oil located in Alberta, which they will sell. Wouldn't you cash in an \$800 Billion winning lottery ticket?
- 4) The most cost effective route for a pipeline from Alberta to major refineries in Chicago flows through Superior Wisconsin, where the Calumet refinery is located.
- 5) Not replacing Line 3 will only cause same amount of oil to alternative less environmentally friendly and more costly transportation systems in the US Midwest rail cars, trucks and tankers.
- 6) Not replacing Line 3 will increase the cost of petroleum products in the Midwest including gasoline, jet fuel, asphalt, and wax. Also this will increase the cost of complementary energy sources such as natural gas, propane and electricity in the US Midwest. This increase in energy cost would fall disproportionately on the poor, who use a larger share of their income on energy for transportation and heating.
- 7) This Line 3 route avoids sovereign tribal lands in respect of their wishes, and utilizes upland areas away from wetlands as much as possible.

#### Sincerely,

Lawrence J Stock 3400 Greysolon Rd Duluth, MN 55804 ljs@umich.edu

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TSupport the line 3 veplacement project. Iama Minnesotan and want to see the environment protected like most others. I believe replacing aging infrastructure like pipelines is imperative to protecting the environment.

From:kathleenstoddart@gmail.comSent:Sunday, July 09, 2017 7:03 PMTo:MN_COMM_Pipeline CommentsSubject:CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

To: Jamie MacAlister, Environmental Review Manager Minnesota Department of Commerce

I am writing to oppose Enbridge's proposed Line 3 project. I am a part of a family that has held land on the shores of Whitefish Lake, part of the Pine River Water Shed in Crow Wing County, for six generations. I am also a homeowner in St. Paul whose drinking water is affected by water quality of the Mississippi and waters which feed into the Mississippi, which are affected by the proposal. I am a taxpayer who has consistently voted for the Legacy Amendment in Minnesota to ensure protection and preservation of our waters and lands, public and private, from irresponsible and damaging use. This pipeline poses enormous potential for such use.

Last July our lake association featured a Michigan resident who summers on Whitefish Lake. His Michigan home had been part of Enbridge's clear cut as they replaced and rebuilt pipeline after their Kalamazoo River spill in 2010. We saw photos and heard how Enbridge destroyed pristine private and public property, not only for the pipeline itself but for huge tracts as right of way. They met with homeowners before, assured them of meeting their needs and property rights, and then disappeared to be replaced by bulldozers manned not by Michigan job seekers but by Oklahomans and Texans who traveled with the company and destroyed all trees and vegetation in large swaths for miles.

The proposal also is a violation of Native American hunting, fishing and wild rice gathering rights, guaranteed in the Treaty of 1855. The walls of our newly renovated Capitol are lined with excerpts from past treaties as well as historic photos of testimony of violations of those same treaties. We cannot continue to honor agreements only when convenient for domestic and foreign commercial enterprises.

The potential for spills and leaks of both the existing pipeline and its replacement are huge when one looks at Enbridge's record in our state alone, as well as its history as a company. The lands and waters it would pass through are among the least polluted and most targeted for preservation and protection. We can find another route if needed.

Finally, the EIS for the pipeline allows a known polluting and irresponsible company and its affiliated enterprises to prepare their own draft statement. "Caveat emptor!" (Let the buyer beware!) my old Latin teacher would daily remind us. Let us ask and answer questions about this route of those with no past ties to Enbridge and nothing to gain but the health and safety of our land, waters, citizens, and responsible enterprises.

Thank you.

Kathleen Stoddart 942 Fairmount Ave. St. Paul, MN 55105 Sent from my iPad

From: HILLARY STOLTZ <hillbob@arvig.net>
Sent: Sunday, July 09, 2017 10:22 PM
To: MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

Cc:hillbob.stoltz@gmail.comSubject:CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

**Attachments:** Department of Commerce letter.docx

Please consider my concerns as expressed and detailed on the attached document. If you have any difficulty opening the attachment, please contact me at once.

Please note: I am very concerned about the exclusion of SA04 in the Enbridge DEIS.

Sincere regards, Hillary Stoltz 702-604-1687 TO: Jamie MacAlister, Environmental Review Manager

MN Department of Commerce

85 7th Place East, Suite 280

St. Paul, MN 55101-2198

Regarding: CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

Composed: July 9, 2017

Sent by email to: <a href="mailto:Pipeline.Comments@state.mn.us">Pipeline.Comments@state.mn.us</a>

To all those responsible for representing the best interests of the citizens of Minnesota:

Having such a short time for reading and reviewing a 6500+/- page Draft EIS document before being given the opportunity to meet with the DOC and other concerned citizens at a public meeting in Park Rapids, MN, I was feeling very rushed and almost blind-sided by the process. However, I am taking this opportunity to express several concerns that I have about the DEIS and the entity(ies) responsible for producing this daunting document.

- 1. Cardno, who was previously employed by Enbridge for other reports, seems to be less than open-minded and transparent. Throughout the study, there was a slant toward justification of what many of your fellow Minnesotans believe is a flawed premise--that the preferred routes and substantial expansion of the diameter of the Line 3 Pipeline as proposed by Enbridge, is the most viable option.
- 2. The DNR and the MPCA are educated and expert in these matters and they should certainly be key in the determination of the route and the dangers posed by a Canadian Corporation that stands to make massive profits for many years into the future. They are profit oriented and the Minnesotans will be saddled with extreme risks if there are any spills or leaks into our lakes and wetland areas adjacent and contiguous to the Enbridge preferred route.
- 3. Tar sands accidents will pose a most terrific risk to our sensitive environmental areas. The traditional wild rice beds of the Native tribes along this pipeline route would be destroyed forever should there be an accidental spill.
- 4. Any corridor that is being proposed should be limited as to future expansion for additional lines. The DEIS indicates that expansion through these sensitive lakes, rivers, forests is a real possibility. How short sighted is this? You must impose limits for any of your approvals and not leave open the possibility for any future lines. A "real life" negotiator would never allow this open-ended possibility!
- 5. I did not see any references to the impacts on Itasca State Park, the Straight River trout or other important tourist and local citizens that have valid concerns for these sensitive areas that will be impacted. The frogs, insects (including rare butterflies) and wildlife are dependent on the health and clarity of the pristine areas through which Enbridge's preferred route runs. In the

event of oil spills, which have proven to be an inevitability for the future, we need to be firm on the location of pipelines to enable access and cleanup feasible. Main roads for access to spills and substantial distance from wetlands and waterways should be a number ONE PRIORITY.

I am clearly opposed and disappointed in the process that has been orchestrated by Enbridge to serve their own financial profit priorities and of our governing entities allowing this process. It was not humanly possible to review the 6500-page DEIS before the public comment meetings. The seriousness of the present and future danger of the expansion of multiple pipelines through our homeland and recreational lake areas in Minnesota requires both clear unrushed study by the experts in this field (that have no hidden agendas) and the planning for approvals by all agencies that are presumably mandated to protect our State's best interests.

Thank you for your serious consideration of my comments on these matters.

Sincerely concerned citizen and permanent resident,

**Hillary Stoltz** 

22334 Glacial Ridge Trail

Nevis, MN 56467

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From: emrys stramer <emrys_s@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 11:46 PM
To: MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Attn: Jamie MacAlister: Please include this comment on the Line 3 DEIS in Dockets

CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137.

Please include this comment on the Line 3 DEIS in Dockets CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137. I am from Minneapolis, MN. I spend every fall harvesting wild rice or helping friends process hand harvested wild rice up north. It is a staple food in my diet and a crucial food source and an irreplaceable part of the cultures of Indigenous peoples of Minnesota.

The Line 3 Pipeline concerns me because: We have an absolute responsibility to honor treaties with the tribes. This pipeline is a furtherance of colonialism and genocide against the indigenous tribes of this land and is inexcusable. It follows a pattern of structural racism that condemns native and other people of color to "sacrifice zones" in the pursuance of energy extraction infrustructure and profits. Minnesota can and must do better. The DEIS concerns me because:

- Chapter 9, "Tribal Resources," states that ANY of the possible routes for Line 3 "would have a long-term detrimental effect on tribal members and tribal resources" that cannot be accurately categorized, quantified, or compared (9.6). It also acknowledges that "traditional resources are essential to the maintenance and realization of tribal lifeways, and their destruction or damage can have profound cultural consequences" (9.4.3). This does not acknowledge the treaty responsibilities the state of Minnesota has to the tribal members.
- Chapter 11, "Environmental Justice," acknowledges that pipeline impacts on tribal communities "are part of a larger pattern of structural racism" that tribal people face in Minnesota, which was well documented in a 2014 study by the MN Department of Health. It also concludes that "the impacts associated with the proposed Project and its alternatives would be an additional health stressor on tribal communities that already face overwhelming health disparities and inequities" (11.4.3).

Furthermore despite the above findings, the DEIS does not conclude they are sufficient reson to deny the permit. The DEIS thus states there will be harms to these communities, and that its authors do not care. This conclusion is repugnant.

I want the Department of Commerce to deny the permit for the proposed Line 3, shut down the old line, and remove it from the ground. Sincerely,

**Emrys Stramer** 

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#### Levi, Andrew (COMM)

From: Jerry Striegel <grstriegel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 12:35 PM
To: MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Docket Numbers CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137 Public Comments - DEIS Routing

Omissions

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Submissions to: Docket Numbers CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

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**Sent:** Monday, July 10, 2017 7:39 AM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Line 3 support

Dear Ms. MacAlister,

I feel like the safest way to transport oil is through the pipeline. It is imparative that we continue to logically assess our options and not give way to mass hysteria over something this important.

Sincerely,

Edna STROMQUIST 900 W Morgan St Duluth, MN 55811 estromquist2775@charter.net



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From: <u>Marcia Stucki</u>

To: MN COMM Pipeline Comments
Subject: CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

**Date:** Wednesday, May 31, 2017 9:42:25 AM

I live on my farm in Michigan, just a couple of miles from the Kalamazoo River, where an Enbridge pipeline failed, pouring hundreds of thousands of gallons of heavy oil into our water in 2010. Pipelines are not, and cannot be, 100% safe. Enbridge can make promises, but oil "leaks" are a cost of doing business for them. I urge you to turn down any proposals to place oil pipelines through Minnesota's priceless northern waterways and rice beds. At some point in the future, oil will be obsolete. Water is life.

Marcia Stucki Cedar Hill Farm Galesburg, MI 49053

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#### Levi, Andrew (COMM)

**From:** Erin Stutelberg <stutelbe@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, July 09, 2017 4:22 PM **To:** MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Comments on Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Line 3

Re: CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

#### To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to comment on the DEIS for Enbridge's Line 3. My comments reflect concern for and opposition to the building of this pipeline. While environmental impacts and the long-term effects of a pipeline on flora, fauna, and human life are clearly serious concerns if this project moves forward, my comments today will focus mainly on the tribal impacts of this project. The rights and safety of indigenous people should be the highest priority of the state of Minnesota. Some of my concerns related to the tribal impact of Line 3 include:

- The United Nations international standard for projects that impact Indigenous Peoples is **Free**, **Prior and Informed consent**. Therefore, tribal consultancy after the project is already proposed and designed is not free, prior, and informed consent. The very process in place violates indigenous rights.
- Most of the issues specific to tribal people and tribal resources are **confined to a separate chapter** that attempts to provide "an American Indian perspective." They are excluded from the main chapters that assess potential impacts. This allows the EIS to **avoid drawing conclusions** about the impacts on tribal people. (Chapter 9) Excluding indigenous people from the other chapters of the report suggests that they are not integral to all that happens to the land and the climate.
- Chapter 9, "Tribal Resources," states that ANY of the possible routes for Line 3 "would have a long-term detrimental effect on tribal members and tribal resources" that cannot be accurately categorized, quantified, or compared (9.6). It also acknowledges that "traditional resources are essential to the maintenance and realization of tribal lifeways, and their destruction or damage can have profound cultural consequences" (9.4.3). This does not acknowledge the treaty responsibilities the state of Minnesota has to the tribal members. The treaties must be upheld to protect indigenous culture and life.
- Chapter 11, "Environmental Justice," acknowledges that pipeline impacts on tribal communities "are part of a larger pattern of structural racism" that tribal people face in Minnesota, which was well documented in a 2014 study by the MN Department of Health. It also concludes that "the impacts associated with the proposed Project and its alternatives would be an additional health stressor on tribal communities that already face overwhelming health disparities and inequities" (11.4.3).
- The DEIS concludes that "disproportionate and adverse impacts would occur to American Indian populations in the vicinity of the proposed Project" (11.5) **This alone should be reason to deny the project!**

- Chapter 6 states that Enbridge's preferred route would impact **more wild rice lakes and** areas rich in biodiversity than any of the proposed alternative routes (Figure ES-10). The wild rice lakes are central to indigenous culture and economic livelihood.
- The DEIS acknowledges that "The addition of a temporary, cash-rich workforce **increases the likelihood that sex trafficking or sexual abuse will occur**," and that these challenges hit Native communities the hardest. But the DEIS dismisses this problem quickly, saying that "Enbridge can prepare and implement an education plan or awareness campaign around this issue" (11.4.1). What experience does Enbridge have planning and implementing an anti-sex trafficking program? How will Enbridge ensure that their program will be empirical, research-based, and effective?

These tribal impacts are just a few of the concerns I have related to the DEIS of Line 3 and continuation of the project. I urge the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission to deny the permits to Enbridge to build this pipeline due to all the potential risks it poses to the indigenous community. The negative consequences of Line 3 far outweigh any possible positive gain from this project.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

-Erin Stutelberg

From: <u>Margaret Sullivan</u>

To: MN COMM Pipeline Comments
Subject: CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

**Date:** Thursday, May 18, 2017 12:09:32 PM

I oppose Enbridge's preferred route primarily for the following reasons:

- 1) Increased risks for water quality devastation (Mississippi headwaters, etc.) especially considering their intent to greatly increase the amount of flowage. Costs to the state's economy would be astronomical.
- 2) **Injury to State Economy:** Rather than repairing/replacing an existing line, there would be more pipelines scarring our landscape further injuring our economy (lower property values, harms to our tourist economy, etc.).
- 3) **Poor Long Term Investment:** I strongly believe that in 10 years we will all be wondering why we allowed this expansion, given how fossil fuels are being outpaced by other now cheaper renewable energy sources.
- 4) **Existing Pipeline Should Be Repair/Replaced:** I do recognize the risk of rail transport, so if we indeed need a new pipeline, Enbridge should only be allowed to repair and/or replace its existing line.

M. Sullivan Urban Minnesotan



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### **Enbridge Line 3 Comments**

The EIS should include factual reasoning that addresses dangers that exist in the current transportation of oil in our state. Public safety will be improved by reducing or eliminating the use of rail tankers to move oil.

Please consider the dangers of continued transportation of oil via rail tankers. History has proven this mode of transporting oil is a danger to both the environment and human life. A catastrophic fire in Lac-Megantic Quebec Canada claimed the lives of 47 innocent residents, millions of dollars in damage, and untold environmental damage

During Mn Legislative transportation committee meetings it was revealed that of the 79,000 rail tankers traveling the rail roads in the United States only 5,000 are considered safe. The new generation of tankers have reinforced bulkheads and a thicker gauge skin that meets a higher safety standard. This leaves what could be considered approximately 74,000 (time bombs) traveling through communities in the United States. It seems unlikely that the rail industry can replace the substandard tankers fast enough to provide the safety the public should expect.

At the international rail crossing in Ranier Mn, a bridge nearing 100 years old is utilized by hundreds of these substandard rail tankers on any given day. In recent years, only a few miles from that border town, rail traffic was halted due to an old wooden bridge that caught fire. Keep in mind that the water bodies

traversed by these bridges are part of the flowages connected to the Voyagers National Park, the only National Park in Minnesota. The continued risk to people in Ranier, International Falls, and the surrounding environment is unnecessary and preventable.

Until rail infrastructure is dramatically improved and the entire fleet of tank cars has been upgraded, transportation of oil should be prohibited via rail.

The reality of our dependence on petroleum products is undeniable. Until cleaner and equally dependable sources of energy become available, it will be industry's responsibility to move oil in the most efficient and safest way available. Until a safer method would become available please continue your consideration of pipelines as the best method of moving oil.

During transportation committee hearings and on the House floor, I referenced the fruitful cooperation between Enbridge and Carlton County officials in negotiating pipeline routs. I would encourage all parties to engage in a more mature conversation while seeking the most appropriate rout possible.

State Representative, Mike Sundin

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### Levi, Andrew (COMM)

From: Jessica Sundquist <queenbeeangel74@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, July 08, 2017 4:24 PM
To: MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments

**Subject:** Enbridge

Dear Ms. MacAlister,

We need jobs desperately. Enbridge will provide them with project. Replacement of line insures the safety of the environment because replacement is better than dangerousing spillage. My family supports this project.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sundquist 46 Birch Dr Esko, MN 55733 queenbeeangel74@gmail.com

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July 7, 2017

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Jamie MacAlister, Environmental Review Manager Minnesota Department of Commerce 85 7th Place East, Suite 280 St. Paul, MN 55101-2198

Dear Ms. MacAlister:

On behalf of ALLETE and Superior Water Light and Power (SWL&P), I am writing to encourage the timely acceptance of the Line 3 Replacement Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The draft EIS thoughtfully includes all of the known and potential impacts of pipeline construction, operations and maintenance. The draft EIS also highlights the benefits of this important infrastructure replacement project including the careful consideration of the preferred route alternative and the economic benefits to our region.

For a project of this magnitude there is seldom a route without conflict, but I feel that Enbridge has diligently worked with local agencies, the public and landowners to the greatest extent possible and the resulting route is the best compromise of the competing interests. This route balances existing use, utilizes existing energy corridors and meets the needs of the shippers who will use this line to transport a product vital to our economy.

The Twin Ports of Duluth and Superior benefit dramatically by being the regional headquarters for company such as Enbridge. The multi-billion dollar investment needed to replace the existing Line 3 directly correlates to hundreds of highly qualified and well-compensated engineers, technicians and support personal working directly for Enbridge and many more who work for local engineering, consulting and construction companies in our community.

We urge the Department of Commerce to maintain the statutory deadline of 280 days and approve the Line 3 Replacement EIS without further delay.

Sincerely.

Deborah Amberg

ALLETE Senior Vice President-Chief Strategy Officer for Regulated Operations

President SWL&P

#### Kaia Svien, MS, 3632 13th Ave S. Minneapolis, MN 55407

Jamie MacAlister Environmental Review Manager MN Dept of Commerce 85 7th Place E. #280 St Paul, MN 55101-2198

June 21, 2017

Dear Environmental Review Manager,

Re: CN -14-916; PPL-15-137

I am asking that the DEIS for Pipeline 3 undergo further study in response to the many notes of concern that were brought up over the evening of June 16 at the St Paul Public Meeting. I listened carefully to become better informed and am very impressed with the thorough analysis many well-informed speakers gave and the questions they raised on issues of effects on health, inadequate emergency response systems for rural areas if a leak occurs, negative effects on Native American culture and traditional diet, the prostitution and general danger for women and girls that we've seen accompany the arrival of pipeline builders in rural communities, awareness that this pipeline would carry the dirtiest oil known, and the addition to the mounting turmoil due to climate change already underway.

I also listened to the concern of pro-pipeline people for jobs. Of course, jobs for workers and their families are crucial. We need to be creative as a society in finding jobs for these people that do not provide needed income today by forfeiting environmental health for everyone's children and grandchildren

There are amongst us now people who are willing to open their eyes to the devastation that climate change is already bringing. These people are not happy to see that the environment is destabilizing, but they are willing to acknowledge what they perceive and speak to it. It is important to include in the big picture the awareness that these researchers are mostly not earning any pay for their time and concern. They are doing what they do out of a love for safeguarding the future for all of us.

Thank you for giving this matter your time and concern,

Kaia Svien, MS

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John Swanson Department of Commerce Public Meeting Remarks

I want to thank our supporters and Enbridge employees and contractors who are here to demonstrate the importance of this project to the health and well-being of Northern Minnesota and North America. It is also important to recognize and thank the employees and agents of Minnesota Department of Commerce and the collaborating agencies who have labored the past few weeks to hold these hearings and allow interested parties to have a voice and share their views.

This is not a new pipeline. We are replacing the current 1960s-era Line 3 with a new, modern pipeline.

- What's more, this is not a new corridor: From North Dakota to Clearbrook we co-locate with 98% of our existing right-of-way. From Clearbrook to Superior, we follow existing pipelines, high voltage transmission lines and railroad lines for approximately 75% of the route.
- We chose this route for several reasons:
  - The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe have made their desires clear: the corridor across the reservation is too full. Accordingly, an alternative route was developed.
  - We believe the preferred route provides the best balance, avoiding sensitive resources and minimizing potential impacts to both people and environmental resources while also factoring in LLBO's sovereign authority.
- The existing corridor between Clearbrook and Superior has become congested, with pipelines, railroad, power lines and highway all closely located – and communities such as Bemidji, Cass Lake and Park Rapids have grown around the corridor the past 50 years. It simply makes little sense to construct another line in the current corridor.

Currently, fossil fuels provide about 80 percent of the primary energy supply we use every day for electricity, heating/cooling, cooking and transportation. Even with accelerated investment in renewable generation, it will take time and a huge investment to move solar and wind to major load centers. To fuel our society, there continues to be demand for oil, using it not only for transportation and heating, as well for the many products we have to make life better — from the clothes we wear to the food we grow to the houses and buildings we occupy, the medicines we take and the phones we use, it is, as we say, part of the fabric of our life.

We deeply regret the incident that occurred in Marshall, Michigan in 2010. We have apologized for not meeting the expectations of the public, communities, and our customers. But Marshall also made us a better company and a better industry. We increased investment heavily, enacting many fundamental changes in safety, reliability and emergency response. The revised organization reflects a strong focus to ensure the safety and awareness of our pipelines for our employees, our stakeholders and the general public.

I have personally been to the Kalamazoo River and witnessed the results of the cleanup and can truthfully say the river is better off than before. That, among the commitments to the integrity of the pipeline system we operate, makes me proud to be an Enbridge employee.

It is that same commitment to safety and Integrity that drives Enbridge to replace line 3. To safely operate the current line 3 would require thousands of Integrity digs as well as other operational safeguards in the next 10-15 years, requiring numerous disruptions to communities, landowners and other stakeholders. It simply makes more sense to replace it with a modern system and allow everyone to have peace of mind with regards to safe transportation of oil in northern Minnesota.

Words Levenson

With regards to the Draft EIS document,

- We find it, although lengthy, to be a well-balanced document. We are pleased that the document recognizes that this is a replacement project and that leaving large sections in the ground is the least impactful method of deactivating the current line 3.
- I believe the economic benefits of the project are understated, and urge the DOC to evaluate studies undertaken by UMD and other Universities to fully comprehend the economic benefits of such a project.
- Reference to the proposed corridor as 'new is not correct as pipelines and power lines currently reside along most of the route.
- With regards to the statement of Sex trafficking, it, like many other illegal activities, is wrong.
   However to imply it is a symptom of one industry is a tragically wrong generalization. Our company, our contractors and the unions we use to build these systems strive to have a positive influence on the communities we enjoy, and our expectations are simple we do not tolerate illegal behavior of any kind at any time. Any thinking to the contrary need not apply.

With regards to some of our opponents claims that these are temporary jobs – Enbridge's line 3 project is one of thousands of infrastructure projects – pipelines, power lines, highways, railroads, waterways, airports and ports, currently active today in the US. Infrastructure projects like these provide the basis for our modern society admired around the world. I, like many others in the room, have made a successful career out of these 'temporary' jobs, and look for generations to come to not only enjoy the benefits of these projects, but enjoy building them as I have.

Enbridge has been here for 65 years, fueling our quality of life in Minnesota, and we are proud to live here. Thank You for the opportunity to speak tonight.

#### Levi, Andrew (COMM)

From: Ryan Swanson <ryan@ulland.com>
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Please see attached letter from my mother regarding a proposed reroute of the Line 3 route Enbridge is proposing.

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Thank you!!

Ryan Swanson

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July 10, 2017

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Dear Ms. Macalister,

I am writing to you with concern in hearing that a replacement pipeline route is planned so close to my home. Forty five years ago my husband-to-be took me down a beautiful wooded path and said "this is where we will build our new home". Little by little we cleared the trees and started building our home. It took a few years as we would complete things as we could pay for them.

We raised a family of three in this home surrounded by birch trees, deer, bear, chipmunks and birds. We had a wonderful view on our hill and wonderful memories. When it came time to retire, my husband enjoyed about nine months here and then he was diagnosed with a brain tumor at the age of 57 years. We lost him about seven months later. This is why I treasure our home and property in memory of all he did here and I don't want to lose it. I want his children and grandchildren to be able to enjoy this home and woods also.

This is the main reason I do not want this pipeline coming so close to my house. Another reason I am against the pipeline is that we have beautiful trails my brother-in-law built which we use for walking, four-wheeling, and snowmobiling. I have also been told of the danger of explosions and leaks in the pipelines that occur which is a danger to my home and family. The pipeline would be very close to my home (~225 feet from our front door). The value of my home would also decrease with a pipeline that close to it. I have read in the paper that once one pipeline is built on this new corridor that others will follow as the need increases, which those future pipeline runs would get closer to my home and eventually they may have to tear my house down.

I am not against pipelines, but this proposed line is way too close to my home. Please consider rerouting this proposed line to go around all the homes in my area. I have enclosed a map as attachment A that shows a very easy proposed reroute of this line that I ask you to please have Enbridge use if this pipeline gets approved.

Thank you for your time. I can be reached at 218-384-4490 if you have any questions.

Betty Swanson-Peterson 2211 CR 5 Carlton, MN 55718

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From: Raymond Swenson <swenseed@gvtel.com>

Sent:Friday, June 30, 2017 6:43 PMTo:MN_COMM_Pipeline CommentsSubject:Comment CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

Dear Ms. MacAlister,

I have lived at this same location since before the first pipeline was built across Northern Minnesota, which was close to 70 years ago. I read that the cleanest waters in the state are in Northwest Minnesota where these pipelines cross the state and that tells me that a lot of oil has been transported without any serious problems to the waters of this area. Small problems ... yes, but it has been my observation that the pipeline operators have good maintenance and safety practices and have been quick to respond to any incident. I am confident that this is the safest method for transporting oil thru our area (safer than Railroads and with less inconvenience to the towns and residents of NW Minnesota). I also understand that the pipelines contribute well to the region thru payment of taxes and employment opportunities.

Sincerely,

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