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Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7th Place E, Suite 350 Saint Paul, MN 55101-2147

Re: Opposition of Wakaŋ Tipi Awaŋyaŋkapi to Magellan Pipeline Reroute (MPUC Docket No. IP7109/PPL-23-109)

Dear Commissioners,

Wakaŋ Tipi Awaŋyaŋkapi is an American Indian led environmental and cultural stewardship nonprofit located in Dakota homelands now known as Saint Paul, Minnesota. Our Dakota Peopl have traveled since time immemorial to the Pipestone quarries to harvest sacred Pipestone, also known as catlinite, for use in making traditional ceremonial pipes necessary for our spiritual practices. We continue to do so to this day. The reroute of the Magellan Pipeline in this area poses a grave threat to our cultural and spiritual practices.

We call upon the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission to reverse its decision to grant a permit for Route RA-01 and to refrain from issuing a permit for any of the four routes considered by the Commission in this docket.

Sincerely,

Maggie Lorenz
Executive Director