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Mr. Daniel P. Wolf
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Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
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RE: In the Matter of the Application of North Dakota Pipeline Company LLC for a Certificate of Need for the Sandpiper Pipeline Project in Minnesota
MPUC Docket No. PL-6668/CN-13-473; OAH Docket No. 8-2500-31260

Parental Guaranty of Enbridge Energy Partnership, LP

Dear Mr. Wolf:

On behalf of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (Department or DOC-DER), I confirm the Department's view that North Dakota Pipeline Company (NDPC) fairly described the negotiated parental Guaranty of Enbridge Energy Partners, L.P. ("Enbridge") in its letter of May 22, 2015, and that the copy of the Guaranty included as Attachment A to its letter is an accurate copy of the Guaranty that was negotiated.

DOC-DER appreciates the cooperation of NDPC and Enbridge in this regard, and agrees that the Guaranty would satisfy the DOC-DER's proposed condition that approval of a certificate of need be conditioned, in part, on a requirement that NDPC provide adequate financial assurance to protect Minnesotans in the event of releases. Accordingly, the Department supports adoption of the Guaranty by the Commission, and appreciates the Commission's consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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