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PSC Schedules Public Hearing in Killdeer for Proposed Pipeline

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) will hold a public hearing in Killdeer on Monday, Feb. 22, regarding a proposal for a natural gas liquids (NGL) pipeline in Dunn and McKenzie Counties.

ONEOK Bakken Pipeline, LLC, has submitted an application for a permit for the Bear Creek NGL Pipeline Project. The new approximately 38-mile long, 8-inch diameter NGL pipeline would be built in Dunn and McKenzie Counties. The pipeline would carry Y-grade NGLs (a mixture of ethane, propane, butanes, iso-butane mix, pentanes and natural gasoline) produced at the Bear Creek Plant, which is presently under construction. The maximum capacity of the pipeline would be approximately 14,000 barrels per day. Estimated cost of the project is \$45 million.

The pipeline will originate at the ONEOK Rockies Midstream Bear Creek Plant in Dunn County and extend to the northwest to terminate at an interconnect with ONEOK's existing Targa Pipeline in McKenzie County. The Bear Creek Plant is under construction and is anticipated to be completed in Sept. 2016. In the current application, the company outlines two possible interconnection points with the Targa Pipeline. The preferred interconnection is approximately 8 miles south of Watford City at a receiver site. The alternative tie-in is at the Targa Gas Plant. (Note to the media: A map showing the pipeline route has been provided to you for use with any announcements/stories you print.)

Details for the public hearing are as follows:

• When: Monday, February 22, 2016 – 9 a.m. MST (10 a.m. CST)

• Where: Killdeer City Hall

165 Railroad Street SE, Killdeer, N.D. 58640

The hearing provides an opportunity for members of the public to contribute to the PSC's official record. Any comments from members of the public must be received at the hearing to be part of the record. People with concerns, questions or support/opposition for the project are encouraged to attend the hearing and present the information. <u>Information received after the hearing will not be part of the official record and cannot be used as a basis for the Commission's decision unless certain additional procedures are followed.</u>

The North Dakota Public Service Commission is a constitutionally created state agency with authority to permit, site and regulate certain business activities in the state including electric and gas utilities, telecommunications companies, power plants, electric transmission lines, pipelines, railroads, grain elevators, auctioneers, commercial weighing devices, pipeline safety and coal mine

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