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List of IUB Dockets: HLP-2014-0001 (Dakota Access LLC)

Comments:

RE: Docket HLP-2014-0001

To the Chair and Board of the Iowa Utilities Board,

In light of the recent Federal Court ruling to stop the flow of oil in the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) until a thorough and proper environmental study is done, I urge you to reconsider the permit to allow Energy Transfer (ET) to double the flow of oil.

Evidence against the safety of DAPL piles up since it was placed in the ground and oil began to flow. It's already leaked numerous times, despite ET's pre-construction claims that it would not. Farmers have reported garbage left in their fields from the construction, reduced crop yields, and overall terrible treatment from ET officials, despite ET's claims that they would take the utmost care to respect the land and its stewards. Also, the pipeline was built without regard to Native safety and sovereignty.

Most importantly, in light of climate change, the project threatens all our futures. It ties us to outdated and unnecessary infrastructure. Iowa needs to be a leader in moving toward reducing energy consumption, as well as exploring and developing alternative energy sources.

Energy Transfer has failed to protect lowa's land, and it has shown utter disregard for the procedures specified by the lowa Utilities Board. Please take a close look at new information coming to the surface regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline. It's time to declare that Energy Transfer has not done right by lowa. It's time to shut down the pipeline for good.

Respectfully,

Kathy Byrnes

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