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PSC Schedules Public Hearing in Williston for Proposed Crude Oil Pipeline

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) will hold a public hearing in Williston on Thursday, Jan. 19, regarding a proposal for a crude oil pipeline in Williams County.

Savage Bakken Connector, Inc., has submitted an application for a permit for a new 2-mile long, 10-inch diameter crude oil pipeline and associated facilities in Williams County. The pipeline would receive crude oil from the Savage Bakken Petroleum Hub about 3.5 miles southwest of Trenton, N.D., and pump the crude oil to the Dakota Access Pipeline. The pipeline will have a maximum capacity of 60,000 barrels per day. The cost of the project is estimated at \$6 million dollars. (Note to the media: A map showing the proposed location of the project has been provided to you for use with any announcements/stories you print.)

Details for the public hearing are as follows:

- **When: Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017 – 1 p.m. Central**
- **Where: Ernie French Center, NDSU Williston Research Extension Center
14120 Highway 2, Williston, ND 58801**

This hearing will be conducted by a substantive Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). The ALJ will conduct the hearing and issue a recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law and a recommended order. The PSC Commissioners will review all the information in the record and make the final decision on the case at a later date.

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 their information. 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.

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 reclamation. For more information, contact the Public Service Commission at (701) 328-2400 or www.psc.nd.gov.

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