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PSC Approves Siting Permit for NGL Pipeline in McKenzie County

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Public Service Commission today approved a siting permit for a natural gas liquids (NGL) pipeline that will be built in McKenzie County.

ONEOK Bakken Pipeline LLC is planning to construct and operate a new 4-mile long, 8-inch diameter NGL pipeline and associated facilities. The Lonesome Creek Pipeline Project will have a maximum capacity of 30,000 barrels per day with an estimated capacity of approximately 15,000 barrels per day. The pipeline will carry a mixture of ethane, propane, butanes, iso-butane mix, pentanes and natural gasoline produced at the Lonesome Creek Gas Plant. ONEOK indicated during the hearing that there is a need for this pipeline in order to transport materials out of the Lonesome Creek Gas Plant, a 200 million standard cubic foot per day gas processing plant that is expected to come on-line in December 2015.

“This is another small but valuable piece of infrastructure to support the capture and processing of gas and the use of this valuable energy resource,” said Commission Chairman Julie Fedorchak. “I particularly appreciate the efforts made by the company to co-locate the pipeline with another line and to consolidate the associated reclamation.”

The pipeline will start at the ONEOK Lonesome Creek Gas Plant in McKenzie County and will end at a connecting point with ONEOK’s Garden Creek Pipeline southwest of Arnegard (map on next page). Estimated cost of the project is \$6 million.

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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