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Hearing Scheduled for Proposed Petroleum Products Pipeline in Cass County

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) will hold a public hearing in Fargo on Thursday, Jan. 21, regarding a proposal for a refined petroleum products pipeline in Cass County.

NuStar Pipeline Operating Partnership, L.P., has submitted an application for a permit for the location of a new 7.3-mile long, 8-inch diameter refined petroleum products pipeline and associated facilities. The project, in conjunction with the proposed Cenex Fargo Terminal, will provide a connection between Cenex's existing Laurel Pipeline (which extends from the Cenex Refinery in Laurel, Mont., to an existing terminal in Fargo) and NuStar's existing North System Pipeline (which extends from the Tesoro Refinery in Mandan to a terminal in Roseville, Minn). The connection will enhance the refined petroleum products (e.g., gasoline, diesel fuel) supply capabilities of both the Cenex and NuStar systems. The pipeline will have a maximum capacity of 24,000 barrels per day. The total cost of the project is estimated to be \$12 million.

The proposed pipeline would extend between Cenex Pipeline's proposed refined petroleum products terminal, located approximately 1.3 miles southeast of Prosper, N.D., and end at NuStar's existing 10-inch North System Pipeline, located approximately 2 miles southeast of Mapleton, N.D. (Note to the media: A map showing the pipeline route has been provided to you for use with any announcements or stories you print.)

Details for the public hearing are as follows:

- **When: Thursday, Jan. 21, 2016 – 9 a.m. CDT**
- **Where: Harry D. McGovern Alumni Center (NDSU Campus)
1241 N. University Drive, Fargo, N.D. 58105**

For those interested in attending or testifying regarding the proposed Cenex Fargo Terminal mentioned above, please note that project has been submitted in a separate application and a separate public hearing will be held for that project.

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. 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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