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Secretary Hillary Clinton
U.S. Department of State
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[RE: Comments on Presidential Permit Application for Keystone XL]

Dear Secretary Clinton,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Keystone XL pipeline. The country needs the energy and jobs it will bring to our side of the border. Your department should approve the Presidential Permit immediately so construction can begin as soon as possible.

Keystone XL has already undergone an exhaustive environmental review that found it does not pose any significant risk to the environment. Now there is discussion about expanding the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to look at issues outside the Nebraska route.

The estimated 20,000 manufacturing and construction jobs created by the project will be delayed again and the national unemployment rate will remain unacceptably high.

Keystone's opponents naively claim it should to be shelved in favor of renewable energy projects. While I support renewable energy, the fact is the technology has not developed to the point where it can replace non-renewable energy sources. We have to accept the fact that oil will be with us for decades to come.

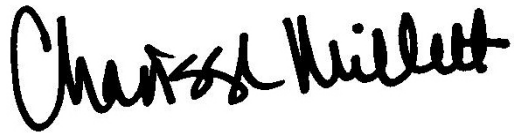
Canada is our next door neighbor, an old friend and ally of the United States. Other countries that supply our oil are unfriendly, even hostile towards America so it makes no

sense to enrich those regimes instead of buying the oil we must have from our good neighbor.

My home state of Alaska is an example of how responsible oil production and the safe operation of an oil pipeline delivers jobs, government revenue and a stable and secure source of energy for the nation. Alaska's success with the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System can and should be repeated with the Keystone XL pipeline.

Thank you for taking the time to read my comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charisse Millett". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "C".

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