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Kimberly Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
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Public Safety and the Rockies Express Pipeline

Dear Ms. Bose, after reading the Kiplinger report on shoddy Chinese Steel I am very concerned for the safety of anyone in the vicinity of a pipeline that may have Chinese pipe as a component.

The report of the Garneau Manufacturing, Morinville, Alberta, Canada, an energy service company that works with many imports, tests on a lot of 80 tons of Chinese steel tube products and found "the welds failed horribly." -  
---There was no question that if the steel had been fabricated into a finished product and installed it would have failed and "**would have killed somebody.**" (source: Kiplinger.com)

In the interest of public safety you must mandate Rockies express to:

- 1) Specify the course of intended lifetime and failure modes at the end of the specified lifetime.
- 2) Report any use of Chinese steel in the existing Rockies Express West pipeline.
- 3) Justify with test data safety of the buried sections the integrity of the pipe being used at the intended pressures over the course of the intended lifetime.
- 4) Validate with test data safety of the thinner pipe allowed by PHMSA waivers.
- 5) Identify any Chinese pipe that is positioned to be installed in the Rockies East Pipeline.

Additional Questions:

In the interest in public safety has Rockies Express published a pipeline lifetime and failure modes near end of pipeline lifetime?

**If so please specify the following:**

What engineering has Rockies Express provided to support this calculation of the published lifetime and failure modes near end of lifetime of the installed pipe considering the pressure and waivers they requested from PHMSA?

What are the procedures they have put in place to insure the public that the pipeline will not be used beyond the published lifetime?

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How is the reclamation of the impacted land to be managed once the published lifetime has been reached?

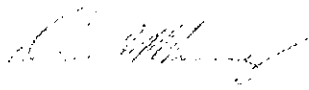
**If not:**

Why have you not required this essential information?

It would be remiss to approve such a project without regard to the issues of public safety.

Waiting you timely response

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dean E Mowrey", written in a cursive style.

Dean E Mowrey  
Citizen, Intervener