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AOPL THANKS PRESIDENT TRUMP FOR ALLOWING THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO BENEFIT FROM NEW PIPELINES

WASHINGTON, DC – Today, the Association of Oil Pipe Lines (AOPL) expressed its gratitude on behalf of pipeline operators and the American people who will benefit from new pipeline infrastructure. Keystone XL (KXL) retained overwhelming public approval throughout its review process and election day exit polls last November showed broad public support for new energy infrastructure. President Trump's action today will allow the American public to receive those benefits.

"We thank President Trump for giving the American people the benefits of jobs and plentiful, affordable energy that pipelines will bring," said Andrew Black, President and CEO of AOPL.

Today's new Executive Orders demonstrate President Trump's support for KXL, the Dakota Access Pipeline and streamlining the review and approval of pipeline projects generally.

Construction of the KXL pipeline would provide over 42,000 U.S. jobs and \$2.1 billion in U.S. worker payroll, according to the U.S. State Department. While Keystone XL would support 6,800 construction jobs with \$420 million in payroll, it would also lead to 4,600 manufacturing jobs with \$309 million in payroll, 4,400 jobs in trade with \$172 million in payroll, 2,200 jobs in finance and insurance with \$131 million in payroll, 5,100 jobs in other professional services with \$343 million in payroll, 2,700 jobs in health services with \$141 million in payroll, and 5,700 jobs in food and accommodations with \$278 million in payroll.

The State Department's environmental review also found building KXL would do more to protect the environment and avoid greenhouse gas emissions than any alternative, including rejecting the pipeline. According to U.S. government statistics, 99.999% percent of petroleum products shipped by pipeline reach their destination safely. Since 1999, the number of incidents along pipeline rights of way is down 50%. Transporting crude oil by pipeline instead of other modes of transportation also results in fewer greenhouse gas emissions.

KXL would be one of the safest pipelines ever built. It will use corrosion-resistant pipe and construction welds reviewed by third-parties and audited by the federal government. Powerful modern technology will be built into the pipe to monitor flow with automatic shut off capability. The operator will monitor the pipeline system 24 hours a day, 365 days a year through a centralized high-tech center. Satellite technology will send data every five seconds from thousands of data points to the pipeline monitoring center and if a drop in pressure is ever detected, KXL's operator can isolate any section of the pipeline by remotely closing any of the hundreds of valves on the system within minutes. They will also regularly conduct aerial and land reviews supplement digital monitoring.

The Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) has created roughly 12,000 jobs during construction and is a critical link from the Bakken formation, which supports more than 80,000 North Dakota jobs. It has brought hundreds of millions of dollars in investment in heavy equipment and thousands of construction jobs to the state. DAPL has already spent over \$3.54 billion in construction and development of the pipeline and continues to invest hundreds of millions a month into the U.S. economy as it moves to finish the project. The Dakota Access Pipeline project will result in an estimated \$156 million in sales and income taxes during construction, and \$55 million in property taxes annually.

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