## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

February 20, 2020

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First St. NE Washington, DC 20426

RE: Support for the North Bakken Expansion Project, Docket No. CP20-52-000

Dear Secretary Bose:

We write to express our support for WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.'s (WBI Energy) North Bakken Expansion Project and its recently filed application to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Thank you for your consideration.

The North Bakken Expansion Project will contribute to economic growth in our local communities and the region. It will provide direct employment opportunities for many in construction and maintenance roles, as well as indirect service jobs. These opportunities will continue to build America's workforce and fuel local communities across North Dakota and the region.

We believe it is important to note that, throughout the regulatory process, WBI Energy has shown a commitment to working with stakeholders. We commend the company's team for evaluating multiple route alternatives and listening to landowner and community suggestions and concerns across the neighboring counties.

This is one of several projects in North Dakota critical to America's energy security. By maximizing locally produced, clean, affordable natural gas, WBI Energy plays a pivotal role in America's continued push toward energy independence. The North Bakken Expansion Project will bring more infrastructure online to deliver abundant domestic natural gas from producers to consumers and reduce flaring in our state.

For these and many other benefits the North Bakken Expansion Project will deliver to our state and nation, we lend our support to the project. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

John Hoeven U.S. Senator

Kevin Cramer U.S. Senator

Kelly Armstrong U.S. Congressman