

AMERICA'S ENERGY FORUM

April 5, 2011

The Honorable Hillary Rodham Clinton
Secretary of State
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Madam Secretary,

As you consider the merits of the proposed Keystone XL Pipeline, we thought you might value our perspective as representatives of communities across the country, including the states through which the pipeline will pass.

We believe America can increase energy security and stimulate economic growth by securing access to stable sources of petroleum in North America. Reliance on unfriendly and unpredictable sources of oil drains the economic resources of our most vulnerable constituents, and diminishes the ability of local governments to provide them with essential services.

Canada is already our largest trading partner and provides more of our imported oil than any other nation, and our Canadian neighbors can supply U.S. fuel producers with enough oil sands crude to greatly enhance U.S. energy and economic security. In fact, the Canadian Energy Research Institute estimates Canada's oil sands could create more than 340,000 new jobs in the United States, adding an estimated \$34 billion to the U.S. GDP over the next 5 years.

We must support private infrastructure development projects like the Keystone Pipeline if we are to pull ourselves out of this economic slump. Such initiatives stimulate economic growth and generate government revenue to fortify depleted public budgets.

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Following the public comment period, we urge you to issue the final environmental impact statement without further delay.

Sincerely,

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