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Court Hearing on Dane Co. Landowner Lawsuit Against Enbridge over Pipeline Cleanup Insurance Monday, April 11, 1:30 — Dane County Circuit Court

(MADISON) A hearing will be held this Monday, April 11, in Dane County Circuit Court on Enbridge Energy Company's motion to dismiss a lawsuit brought by a group of landowners who live adjacent to the company's Line 61 Waterloo pump station. The landowners are suing for injunctive relief to enforce the spill cleanup requirement imposed on Enbridge by Dane County's Zoning and Land Regulation Committee. Briefing has been completed, and oral argument is scheduled for this Monday at 1:30 in Courtroom 5D before Judge Richard Niess.

WHAT: Hearing on *Campbell v. Enbridge* (Judge Richard Niess presiding)
WHEN: Monday, April 11, 1:30–2:30pm
WHERE: Dane County Courthouse 5th Floor, Courtroom 5D, Branch 9 217 S. Hamilton Street, Madison

350 Madison won a significant victory a year ago when the Dane County Zoning Committee required that Enbridge obtain cleanup insurance. Dane County imposed the requirement as a condition of approving Enbridge's Waterloo pump station, which is part of the company's plan to triple the volume of tar sands oil flowing through Line 61. At full capacity, the pipeline would carry 1.2 million barrels per day through the state, 45% more than the rejected Keystone XL.

The suit asserts that the Legislature's last-minute addition to the 2015–17 state budget, apparently inserted at Enbridge's behest, barred the *county* from enforcing the cleanup requirement but did not similarly bar enforcement by affected landowners and is not retroactive. Enbridge has moved to dismiss the complaint, and Judge Richard Niess will hear oral argument from both sides this Monday, April 11.

The legal papers are available online:

Landowner Lawsuit Against Enbridge for Enforcement of Insurance Provision: Complaint for Injunction (2/8/16)

Enbridge Motion to Dismiss Landowner Lawsuit Against Enbridge for Enforcement of Insurance Provision (3/2/16)

Landowner Response to Enbridge Motion to Dismiss (3/24/16)

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