



**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
Washington, DC 20515-4302

July 19, 2010

Gary G. Mar, QC  
Minister-Counsellor (Alberta)  
Government of Alberta Office  
Embassy of Canada  
501 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Minister-Counsellor Mar,

I appreciate your recent letter to me about the Keystone XL pipeline. You can be assured that I completely support this project, and I will continue to do all that I can to ensure that the pipeline is completed.

As you may know, I represent Port Arthur, Texas, which is one of the southern destinations of the Keystone XL pipeline. This project will be extremely important to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District of Texas, as it is home to over 23% of the refining capacity in the United States. The oil from Canada that will be refined from this pipeline will provide the United States with a reliable and affordable source of energy for many years to come.

I have joined a letter to Secretary Clinton along with 35 other members of Congress in support of this project. I have also written a personal letter to Secretary Clinton asking for her to keep me updated on the status of the permitting process, and I will keep you up to date on any information that I learn. I will continue to support this project, so please do not hesitate to let me or my staff know if I can help in the future.

Sincerely,

TED POE  
Member of Congress