

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Lee Terry (R-NE) released the following statement today in response to a study on the impact of the Keystone XL pipeline on the Nebraska economy conducted by Creighton University economist Dr. Ernie Goss for the Consumer Energy Alliance (CEA):

“The most important reason for the construction and operation of the Keystone XL pipeline is to provide a steady, reliable source of energy for the United States from a source just steps from our northern border.□ The pipeline has the potential to bring us closer to energy security and less dependent on OPEC nations.□ The economic impact of the Keystone pipeline is an added bonus both nationally and within the state of Nebraska.

□ **“Governor Heineman will make a decision soon about the portion of the pipeline through our state.□ It is my hope the State Department will make a final decision immediately following the governor’s declaration.□ The benefits of Keystone are obvious and there is no reason to delay its final approval and construction. □ We need to get Americans back to work.”**