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No More Excuses: Build Keystone XL and Put America to Work

WASHINGTON, DC -- *The following statement was issued today by James T. Callahan, General President of the International Union of Operating Engineers, on the Nebraska Supreme Court decision and bi-partisan House vote supporting Keystone XL:*

“Today’s Nebraska Supreme Court decision, followed by a strong bi-partisan vote in the U.S. House of Representatives, leaves the Obama Administration with no more excuses for standing in the way of the Keystone XL pipeline.

Every state along the pipeline’s route have approved it, Congress is prepared to send the President a bi-partisan bill, and every public opinion poll shows that the American public is ready for this debate to end and to unlock the job creating potential of this critical energy infrastructure project.

Our people are ready to go to work. Operating Engineers are among the most highly trained and skilled pipeline workers in the world. Their expertise will ensure that Keystone XL is built right, built safe and built to last.”

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The International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) is a progressive, diversified trade union that primarily represents operating engineers, who work as heavy equipment operators, mechanics, and surveyors in the construction industry, and stationary engineers, who work in operations and maintenance in building and industrial complexes, as well as a number of job classifications in the petrochemical industry.