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Statement by David A. Raymond, President & CEO of the American Council of Engineering Companies, In response to State Department Report on the Keystone XL Pipeline

"The studies have been done, the results are in, and now is the time for the President to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline project.

Today's report from the State Department that the pipeline project will have minimal environmental impact reconfirms the findings of a previous study by the agency, and should make it clear to the White House that the pipeline project represents a responsible approach to the further development of energy resources in North America.

This project will promote energy security, and will create jobs and economic activity at a time when we need it most. I urge President Obama to act quickly and approve the Keystone pipeline project."

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