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Anne Idsal Stated She Would Recuse Herself From "Particular Matters" Involving Enbridge's Valley Crossing Pipeline.

Anne Idsal, In July 2018, Submitted a Recusal Statement In Which She Recused Herself From "Particular Matters" Where "Valley Crossing Pipeline Is An Entity." In Idsal's recusal she promised not to "participate personally and substantially in any particular matter in which I know that I have a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter... unless I first obtain a written waiver. [Environmental Protection Agency, [07/24/18](#)]

Valley Crossing Pipeline Is "100%" Owned By Enbridge.

✉ [Valley Crossing Pipeline, LLC](#)

Enbridge Inc. (100%)

[Enbridge, [accessed 05/29/20](#)]

Meanwhile, Enbridge Has Spent Nearly \$3 Million Lobbying On Methane Reform.

Since 2019, Enbridge Has Spent \$2,970,000 Lobbying The Federal Government On "Issues Related To Methane Emissions."

In The First Quarter of 2019, Enbridge Spent \$600,000 Lobbying Congress And The White House On "Issues Related To Methane Emissions." [[LD-2 Disclosure Form, Q1 2019](#)]

In The Second Quarter of 2019, Enbridge Spent \$330,000 Lobbying Congress And The White House On "Issues Related To Methane Emissions." [[LD-2 Disclosure Form, Q2 2019](#)]

In The Third Quarter of 2019, Enbridge Spent \$160,000 Lobbying Congress And The White House On “Issues Related To Methane Emissions.” [[LD-2 Disclosure Form, Q3 2019](#)]

In The Fourth Quarter of 2019, Enbridge Spent \$610,000 Lobbying Congress And The White House On “Issues Related To Methane Emissions.” [[LD-2 Disclosure Form, Q4 2019](#)]

In The First Quarter of 2020, Enbridge Spent \$460,000 Lobbying Congress And The White House On “Issues Related To Methane Emissions.” [[LD-2 Disclosure Form, Q1 2020](#)]

In The Second Quarter of 2020, Enbridge Spent \$170,000 Lobbying Congress And The White House On “Issues Related To Methane Emissions.” [[LD-2 Disclosure Form, Q2 2020](#)]

In The Third Quarter of 2020, Enbridge Spent \$640,000 Lobbying Congress And The White House On “Issues Related To Methane Emissions.” [[LD-2 Disclosure Form, Q3 2020](#)]

EPA's Office of Air and Radiation, Which Idsal Runs, Is Working On Proposals That Would Stop Direct Regulation Of Methane Emissions From The Oil And Gas Industry.

Anne Idsal Is Tasked With Leading The EPA Office That Worked On New Proposals To “Stop Directly Regulating Methane Emissions From The Oil And Gas Industry.”

Anne Idsal Is The Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator of EPA's Office of Air and Radiation. [Environmental Protection Agency, [accessed 05/29/20](#)]

In August, Idsal’s Office Released New Proposals To “Stop Directly Regulating Methane Emissions From The Oil And Gas Industry.” "EPA today unveiled two parallel proposals for how the agency would stop directly regulating methane emissions from the oil and gas industry, slashing controls on the sector's greenhouse gases. EPA would only target volatile organic compounds, or VOCs, from new or modified sources in both plans — a move that would effectively halt any action by the administration to regulate existing oil and gas operations, the largest source of methane emissions from the sector. Anne Idsal, acting head of EPA's Office of Air and Radiation, described the change as 'eliminating regulatory duplication,' saying the plans would have net benefits of about \$10 million per year for the industry." [E&E News, [08/29/19](#)]