

BNP Paribas exits Dakota Access Pipeline

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NEW YORK, April 05, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- BNP Paribas announces that it has sold its USD 120m share in the USD2.5bn Dakota Access Pipeline loan. The decision to divest the loan was made following an extended and comprehensive review of the project including consultation with all the relevant stakeholders.

The sale of our stake signals the importance of full and detailed consultation on projects that impact large numbers of stakeholders.

Following the sale of the loan, BNP Paribas no longer has financial exposure to the Dakota Access Pipeline.

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