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Re: PennEast Pipeline Company, LLC PEKMIT #_____ Request for Extension DEP Application Nos. E40-780, E13-185, E48-435, E09-998, and ESG02000160001 Luzerne County, Carbon County, Northampton County, and Bucks County

Dear Mr. Buczynski:

On behalf of PennEast Pipeline Company, LLC (PennEast), AECOM respectfully submits this request for an extension to respond to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's (PADEP) December 23, 2016 Incompleteness Review Letters for the PennEast Pipeline Project (Project).

On December 27, 2017, PennEast submitted a request for an extension of the timeline to allow for comprehensive and technically adequate submissions of the four Chapter 105 Joint Permit Applications (JPAs) and one Erosion and Sediment Control General Permit (ESCGP-2) application currently under administrative review by the PADEP. Due to unanticipated delays that were beyond PennEast's control, PennEast does not yet have the legal authority to conduct surveys on 100% of the Project workspace, thus deeming the Project "administratively incomplete" pursuant to PADEP standards. Due to the delay in establishing a quorum of Commissioners at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (Certificate) for the Project was not issued until January 19, 2018, which resulted in delays for the entire timeline. PennEast anticipated that it would gain right-of-entry to conduct surveys on certificated workspace by April 2018, which would have allowed for completion of the remaining surveys and revisions to the applications in June 2018. In its January 4, 2018 letter, the PADEP granted an extension through June 30, 2018.

PennEast initiated the right-of-entry process within two weeks of FERC's issuance of the Certificate for the Project. Since that time, PennEast has gained access to 97% of parcels in Pennsylvania, and wetland and watercourse delineations have been completed on the proposed workspace on all of those parcels. PennEast has continued to coordinate with the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to verify the accuracy of delineations as surveys are completed. The most recent USACE site visits were conducted in late May of 2018. PennEast anticipates one site visit after delineations on the remaining parcels are completed.

PennEast has also continued to update its JPAs using forms, instructions, and protocols that PADEP has implemented as policy since the submittal of the applications in February 2016. PennEast acknowledges that the revised applications, which will be submitted as soon as possible after all of the Pennsylvania surveys are complete, will include the application components the PADEP listed in the extension letters received to date.

PennEast respectfully requests a six (6) month extension to submit complete and technically adequate JPAs and an ESCGP-2 application. PennEast anticipates that six (6) months will be sufficient to gain right-of-entry on the remaining Pennsylvania parcels, complete surveys, and update the applications.

Thank you for your consideration of extending the timeframe to submit complete and technically adequate JPAs and an ESCGP-2 application. We look forward to continuing to work with the PADEP in the coming months. Please feel free to call me at (610) 832-2713 if you need any additional information, particularly pertaining to the percentage of surveys completed to date, agency consultations to date, and PennEast's proposed avoidance, minimization and mitigation measures for anticipated impacts associated with the Project.

Sincerely,

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