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Mr. John Hohenstein, P.E. Chief, Dams and Waterways Section Department of Environmental Protection Waterways and Wetlands – Southeast Regional Office 2 East Main Street Norristown, PA 19401-4915

Re: DEP File E22-619

Technical Deficiency Response Chapter 105 Dam Safety and Waterway Management Joint Permit Application Sunoco Pipeline L.P. – Pennsylvania Pipeline Project (Mariner East II) Conewago, Derry, Highspire, Londonderry, Lower Swatara, Middletown Townships, **Dauphin County**

Dear Mr. Hohenstein:

On behalf of our client, Sunoco Pipeline L.P. (SPLP), Tetra Tech, Inc. provides the following responses to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Technical Deficiency letter dated September 6, 2016 regarding the Chapter 105 Joint Permit Application (Joint Permit Application) for the Pennsylvania Pipeline Project (Project or PPP as defined in the application). SPLP has had minor revisions to the proposed workspaces since submittal of the original application. These revisions have occurred as result of preparing a response to these technical deficiencies, landowner requests, further reduction of impacts to aquatic resources, or minor limit of disturbance (LOD) changes to facilitate construction. The supporting attachments represent a revision of the Joint Permit Application that not only addresses the DEP's technical deficiencies, but also provides revised sections that reflect the most current project areas. The attachment includes all necessary components of a complete application; however, it excludes previously submitted aquatic resource reports. Please consider the previously submitted aquatic resource reports as part of this application revision. We are providing one hard copy and a single CD of the revised application to your office, and a hard copy of the application and two CDs to Mr. Edward Muzic at the SCRO, per the DEP's request.

For ease of your review, each DEP item is set forth verbatim below, followed by a narrative response with supporting attachments.

Comments and Responses to September 6, 2016 Technical Deficiency Letter

DA 1	General Information Form (GIF)/Application:	NA - Heading
DA 1.a	List the types and amounts of emissions to satisfy	Question 13.0.1 of the General Information Form in
	question 13.0.1 of the General Information Form.	Attachment 1 has been revised to address this comment.
	[1300-PM-BIT0001 5/2012 Instructions]	
DA 1.b	The Application and GIF have different titles for	The Application has been revised to provide a consistent
	M.L. Gordon. Provide consistent titles for Mr.	title for M.L. Gordon. A "Delegation of Authority" letter
	Gordon and a demonstration that he is authorized to	authorizing Mr. Gordon to sign the Application on behalf
	sign the Application. [25 Pa. Code Sections	of the partnership is provided in Attachment 1 of the
	105.13(i); 106.12(f)]	Application.
DA 2	Identify the proposed provisions for shut-off in the	The revised Project Description provided in Attachment 9
	event of break or rupture for each crossing.	discusses block valves, their location, and the siting
	Provide locations and description of how this action	criteria that provides shutoff provisions. Valves are shut
	will be completed in the event a break or rupture	off remotely or manually. Block valves are also depicted
5	occurs. [25 Pa. Code Section 105.301(9)]	on the aerial site plans provided in Attachment 7, Tab 7A.
DA 3	Site Plan, Drawings and Details (including Erosion	NA - Heading
	and Sediment (E&S) Control Plan Drawings):	
DA 3.a	Several of the E&S Plan drawings appear to include	The plan drawings have been reviewed and only indicate
	design data or refer to the Mariner-1, 8-inch	the 8-inch project where the proposed Project crosses the
	Anomaly Repair Project (see sheet ES-0.11, the dry	ROW. Typical drawings, cross section, and details have
	bypass plan indicates a proposed 8" pipe).	been revised to indicate the appropriate pipes, widths, and
	Perform a review of all plan drawings and remove	depths, where applicable (Attachments 12 and 7).
	all references to past projects. Typical detail data	
	needs to be labeled appropriately and specific	
	location details need to reference specific locations.	
	Typical cross sections need to be revised to indicate	
	the proposed 20" and 16" diameter pipes. Typical	
	trench details need to indicate the appropriate	
	trench width and include trench boxes, if	
	appropriate for depth. [25 Pa. Code Section	
DA 3.b	105.13(e)(1)(i)(C)] Stroom and watland argaing details are only	Stream and arossing "tymical" arossing details are to be
DA 3.0	Stream and wetland crossing details are only provided in the "Notes" pages	Stream and crossing "typical" crossing details are to be utilized at each crossing; therefore, the notes are
	provided in the Trotes pages	utilized at each crossing, therefore, the notes are

	of the E&S plan. Provide details on how each crossing will be constructed, associated E&S controls installed and how restoration will be accomplished. To facilitate your response this comment can be addressed by developing a table for placement on the drawings containing the requested information. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(i)(C); 105.13(e)(1)(iii)(A); 105.15(a); 105.21(a)(1)]	applicable to all crossings and best presented in the upfront sheeting. The typical crossing details are relevant and applicable to each typical resource crossing, and will be implemented at each crossing without the need to specifically depict such typical details on the plan views of the E&S Plan drawings. In several cases, site-specific drawings have been created and are referenced within the E&S Plan sheets and provided after the standard sheeting. These sites-specifics also reference the typicals which provide a consistent location for the same information.
DA 3.c	Provide site plans that depict proposed work for each ATWS within a floodway or floodplain. These plans should include, at a minimum, the duration of proposed activities, the expected layout, E&S controls, and size or quantity of materials or structures proposed. [25 Pa. Code Section 105.13(e)(1)(i)(C)]	The E&S Plan in Attachment 12 has been revised to identify the proposed work and durations for ATWS activities. The associated erosion and sediment controls used to minimize the potential for discharge of fill material to the stream are provided on the plan drawings and/or as referenced to the E&S plan standard typical details. The duration of ATWS use will be consistent with the duration of construction.
DA 3.d	A number of drawings in the package, for example, the auger bore drawings, state that the plans are for permitting purposes only. The plans, specifications and reports in the application are part of a permit once a permit is issued and are considered final. Remove this language from the plans and provide final plans. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e); 105.44(a)]	All drawings and maps provided in the Application have been revised to remove this language and are considered to be final plans.
DA 3.e	The auger bore drawings reference cathodic protection being installed. Provide plans and/or details for any proposed cathodic protection and identify on the plans where and which type of cathodic protection is proposed to be installed. [25]	The Project Description provided in Attachment 9 includes a narrative outlining SPLP's cathodic protection plans. A typical cathodic protection test station detail has been added to the E&S Plan Sheets in Attachment 12.

	Pa. Code Sections 105.3(4); 105.11(a); 105.13(e)(1)(i)(C)]	
DA 3.f	Where cathodic protection is proposed to be installed in wetlands or other areas where vegetation is proposed to be undisturbed or replanted, identify how this cathodic protection will be maintained and replaced without vegetative disturbance. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.15(a); 105.13(e)(1)(ix); 105.18a]	The Project Description provided in Attachment 9 includes an updated narrative outlining SPLP's cathodic protection plans.
DA 3.g	For all Bore and HDD locations: Identify where all pipe pull back, assembly, lay out, and construction staging areas are located. Identify all temporary crossings and impacts to streams, wetlands, and floodways associated with these areas and revise the application accordingly to include these impacts. Include site-specific plans depicting the impacts and proposed temporary matting. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(i); 105.13(e)(1)(iii); 105.3(a)(4)]	To reduce overall impacts to the landscape and, in particular, wetlands and streams, pullback areas are sited within the same workspaces designed for the open cut installation of the pipeline to the maximum extent practicable. Pullback areas not proposed within the workspaces needed to install the pipelines via open cut are accommodated by adding Additional Temporary Workspace (ATWS). Although avoided to the maximum extent practicable, if streams and wetlands are crossed by the pullback activity within the ATWS, then temporary crossings or impacts, such as temporary bridges, are identified on the Aerial Site Plans and site-specific, E&S Plan sheets (Attachments 7 and 12). Additional temporary matting and bridges to accommodate the pullback activity including pipe layout and assembly in the open cut areas are also identified on E&S Plan sheets. Temporary bridges and matting will be installed and restored in accordance with the standard typical details provided within the E&S Plan in Attachment 12. The impacts of these activities occur within the permanent and temporary workspaces within the LOD.

DA 3.h	The site plan sheets and E&S plan sheets identify the 50-foot assumed floodway boundary to be measured from the centerline of the stream as opposed to the top of bank. Revise the drawings to indicate floodway boundaries that adhere to the definitions in Chapter 105. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(i)(A); 105.1]	In absence of a FEMA NFHL Floodway, the PA 50-foot floodways have been created by buffering the stream on each side of its centerline by one-half the bank width of the stream at the crossing plus 50 feet. For example, a stream that has a 5-foot bank width would be buffered by 52.5 feet on each side the stream's centerline, to ensure both the bank width and the 50-foot setback from the bank was encapsulated within the Chapter 105 floodway, as per the definitions identified in Chapter 105. FEMA NFHL data was downloaded and re-analyzed for this Project on September 27, 2016. The 105 and 102 E&S Plans have been checked to assure consistent presentation of these areas.
DA 3.i	The Typical Wetland Crossing detail on the E&S plans, ES-0.09, indicates soil will be stockpiled in the wetland along the trench. Revise the detail to include a means of separating the stockpiled soil from the wetlands, such as geo-fabric and matting, to ensure full removal of the stockpiles soil and minimize impacts. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.423; 105.18a(a); 105.18a(b); 105.15(a); 105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(11); 105.14(b)(13)]	The standard typical detail has been revised to show topsoil segregation. The standard typical detail also notes that topsoil and wetland spoils are to have a physical separation to ensure full restoration and to minimize impacts. Separation may be achieved by geo-fabric, physical space, or matting.
DA 3.j	Installation of the trench plugs as depicted in the Trench Plug Detail is likely to result in adverse impacts to the hydrology of Waters of the Commonwealth. Provide a revised detail showing the trench plug continuing to the bottom of the trench instead of the top of the bedding material. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.18a; 105.15(a)]	The typical standard trench plug detail provided within the E&S Plan provided in Attachment 12 has been revised to show the trench plug continuing to the bottom of the trench.
DA 3.k	The Typical Wetland Crossing detail on the E&S Plans states that the detail does not apply to active	The note for this standard typical detail has been removed so that the detail is applicable to all wetland crossings.

	cultivated or rotated cropland. Revise the detail to apply to all wetland crossings or provide a separate detail for wetland crossings in active cropland. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.18a; 105.15(a)]	
DA 3.1	Provide a description of the expected duration each temporary stream crossing will remain in place. If the temporary stream crossing will be in place for greater than 1 year, then risk analysis will be necessary. [25 Pa. Code Section 105.13(1)(iii)(A)]	The temporary stream crossings will remain in place for no greater than one year.
DA 3.m	Additional comments relating to the drawings can be found in specific comments below.	NA - Heading
DA 4	There are several comments regarding Agency Coordination, including Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) and Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC). See specific comments below.	NA - Heading
DA 5	There are several comments regarding the Environmental Assessment (EA). See specific comments below.	NA - Heading
DA 6	There are several comments regarding the Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Plan. See specific comments below.	NA - Heading
DA 7	There are several comments regarding the Alternatives Analysis. See specific comments below.	NA - Heading
DA 8	Comprehensive Environmental Evaluation - The following technical deficiencies are related to the overall project comprised by the 17 Chapter 105 Water Obstruction and Encroachment permit applications associated with this pipeline. Provide the Department with a Comprehensive	NA - Heading

	Environmental Assessment of the Entire Pipeline	
	Project as a Whole ("Comprehensive	
	Environmental Evaluation") which, at a minimum,	
	includes the following:	
DA 8.a	Use the Environmental Assessment Form (3150-	A Comprehensive Evaluation of Compliance for the
	PM- BWEW0017, 2/2013) as a guide and provide a	Project has been added to the application materials and is
	detailed narrative and other appropriate	located in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 1. This
	documentation that comprehensively evaluates the	Comprehensive Evaluation of Compliance references
	project as a whole under each of the categories	application materials that apply to each requirement
	therein (Part 1 – Resource Identification; Part 2 –	pursuant to 25 Pa. Code § 105.18a and associated
	Project Description – including all the analyses	referenced regulations, including 25 Pa. Code §§
	listed in the form, as well as in 25 Pa. Code	105.13(e)(1)(vii-x), (2), (3), (g), and (j); and 25 Pa. Code
	Sections 105.13(f)(1)(vii-x), (2), (3), (g), and (j);	§ 105.15.
	105.15; Article I, §27 (Pa. Constitution).	
DA 8.b	The Comprehensive Environmental Evaluation also	A Comprehensive Evaluation of Compliance for the entire
	needs to provide a detailed narrative and other	project has been added to the application materials and is
	appropriate documentation that comprehensively	located in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 1. This
	evaluates the project as a whole for compliance	Comprehensive Evaluation of Compliance references
	with the requirements associated with the	application materials that apply to each requirement
	Department's review of the application listed in 25	pursuant to 25 Pa. Code § 105.18a and associated
	Pa. Code Section 105.14 in its entirety, with	referenced regulations, including 25 Pa. Code § 105.14.
	particular emphasis on:	
DA 8.b.i	Antidegradation Analysis - Prepare and submit an	An Antidegradation Analysis consistent with 25 Pa. Code
	analysis and information that addresses consistency	§ 105.14(b)(11) has been prepared and is provided in
	with State antidegradation requirements contained	Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 5.
	in Chapters 93, 95 and 102 (relating to water	
	quality standards; wastewater treatment	
	requirements; and erosion and sediment control)	
	and the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Sections	
	1251—1376) for this entire project and other	
	potential or existing projects. 25 Pa. Code Section	
	105.14(b)(11).	

DA 8.b.ii	Secondary Impact Analysis – Prepare and submit an analysis and information that addresses secondary impacts associated with but not the direct result of the construction or substantial modification of the water obstruction or encroachment in the areas of the entire project and in areas adjacent thereto and future impacts associated with water obstructions or encroachments, the construction of which would result in the need for additional dams, water obstructions or encroachments to fulfill the project	A Secondary Impact Analysis consistent with 25 Pa. Code § 105.14(b)(12) has been prepared and is provided in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 2.
	purpose. 25 Pa. Code Section 105.14(b)(12).	
DA 8.b.iii	Project Wide Cumulative Impacts Analysis. Prepare and submit an analysis and information that addresses the cumulative impact for this entire project and other potential or existing projects. As part of this analysis evaluate whether numerous piecemeal changes associated with all the Chapter 105 applications related to this pipeline project may result in a major impairment of the wetland resources. The analysis must be undertaken for each alternative prepared for the proposed pipelines and facilities of Mariner East II, on a statewide basis and must be completed for the entire project, as a whole referencing each of the applications for the entire project. 25 Pa. Code Sections 105.14(b)(14); 105.15.	A stand-alone Cumulative Impacts Analysis has been added to the application materials and is located in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 6.
DA 8.b.iv	Comprehensive Evaluation of Compliance with 25 Pa. Code § 105.18a. Prepare and submit an analysis and information that evaluates the project as a whole with all the requirements found in 25 Pa. Code Section 105.18a for each wetland or wetland	A Comprehensive Evaluation of Compliance for the Project has been added to the application materials and is located in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 1. This Comprehensive Evaluation of Compliance cross-

	complex in or along the project area as a whole. 25 Pa. Code Section 105.18a.	references the application materials that address each requirement in 25 Pa. Code § 105.18a.
DA 8.b.v	Comprehensive Alternatives Analysis, Avoidance and Minimization and Mitigation. The applicant needs to demonstrate that the alternatives chosen for the entire project will avoid cumulative impacts to the maximum extent practicable, and where such impacts are not avoidable, describe in detail with appropriate supporting documentation, how such impacts will be minimized and mitigated to the satisfaction of the Department. 25 Pa Code Section 105.1	A comprehensive Alternatives Analysis has been added to the application materials to address this comment and is located in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 3. A Cumulative Impacts Analysis has been added to the application materials to address this comment and is located in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 6. An Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Procedures document has also been added to address this comment, located in Attchment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4.
DA 1	General Information Form (GIF)	NA - Heading
DA 2	Application Fee and Worksheet - No additional comments.	NA - Heading
DA 3	Act 14 Notification - No additional comments.	NA - Heading
DA 4	Cultural Resources	NA - Heading
DA 4.a	Provide clearance or approval from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC) for cultural, archeological, and historic resources for the proposed water obstructions and encroachments and areas necessary to construct the water obstructions and encroachments. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(x); 105.14(b)(5); 105.15(a); 105.15(a)(1); 105.14(b)(4); Environmental Assessment Form Instructions, Joint Permit Application Instructions for a Water Obstruction and Encroachment Permit Application, III., Section F., d.; Implementation of the Pennsylvania State History Code: Policy and	While DEP is required to consider potential impacts to historic resources under 25 Pa. Code Chapter 105 when DEP conducts reviews of a water obstruction, encroachment or dam permit application, none of the regulations or guidance referenced in DEP's comment require SPLP to provide clearance or approval from the PHMC as part of a Chapter 102 or Chapter 105 permit application. Furthermore, as noted in a letter from Alexandra C. Chiaruttini, Esq., DEP's Chief Counsel concerning the SPLP Pennsylvania Pipeline Project, "the [Pennsylvania] History Code does not authorize our agency or any Commonwealth agency to stop the processing of permits solely due to possible or actual presence of archaeological or historic resources, unless

	Procedures for Applicants for DEP Permits and Plan Approvals, Document # 012-0700-001]	the agency's enabling legislation contains specific statutory authorization for such action. DEP does not have such authorization here." A copy of the February 1, 2016, letter from Ms. Chiaruttini is provided in Attachment 4. See also Pennsylvania History Code \$508(a)(4). Accordingly, SPLP requests that DEP continue its review of SPLP's applications.
		SPLP will continue to work with the PHMC to ensure that impacts to cultural resources are avoided where possible. In addition, SPLP has included with its Chapter 102 application a Cultural Resources Unanticipated Discovery Plan to be implemented during construction that outlines the protocols SPLP will follow if SPLP unexpectedly encounters archaeological or historic resources, including notification to DEP and PHMC and cessation of earth disturbance.
DA 4.b	The project description provided in the Cultural Resource Notice states that the second pipe is to be installed within 5 years. The application Project Description or other descriptions in the application do not mention that the second pipe will be installed within 5 years. Revise and clarify the application to clearly identify if both pipelines will be installed at the same time, or if they will be installed at separate times. If the pipelines will be installed at separate times, revise the application to indicate this, and identify the temporary and permanent impacts from the second pipeline installation separately, and discuss the alternative of installing them at the same time to avoid and minimize impacts. [25 Pa. Code Sections	The Project Description in Attachment 9 to the Application has been updated to reflect the timing of the installation of the 20-inch and the 16-inch pipeline. The two pipelines will be installed during the same time period, with the 20-inch pipeline preceding the 16-inch pipeline. For safety purposes, the installation would be staggered by what is estimated to be no more than 60 days. At some Horizontial Direction Drills (HDD) with longer drills, however, the time period between installation of the two pipelines may exceed 60 days. Both pipelines will be installed within the same limit of disturbance so there would be no additional, temporary disturbance resulting from a second separate installation. Any temporary stabilization required would be implemented in accordance with project's E&S Plans.

	105.13(e)(1)(iii)(A); 105.13(e)(1)(iii)(B); 105.15(a); 105.15(a)(1); 105.14(b)(4); 105.18a(a);	
	105.18a(b); 105.13(e)(1)(ix)]	
DA 5	PASPGP Cumulative Impact Form.	NA - Heading
DA 5.a	PASPGP-4 has expired. Prepare and submit PASPGP-5 Reporting Checklist and Aquatic Impact Table forms and acknowledgement of application of Section 404 Permit Application made to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. [25 Pa. Code Section 105.13]	DEP has agreed that if the USACE does not require the PASPGP-5 Reporting Checklist and Aquatic Impact Table form that it would not be needed for this application. The aquatic resource impact tables found in Attachment 11 have all of the information included the new PASPGP-5 forms. The USACE Districts have agreed that the checklist and form are not needed. That acknowledgement is provided in Attachment 5. Furthermore, the aquatic resource impact tables found in Attachment 11 have all of the information required in the PASPGP-5 forms.
DA 6	6. PNDI and Agency Coordination	NA - Heading
DA 6.a	Provide a PNDI Search clearance letter from the Pennsylvania Game Commission for threatened and endangered species under their jurisdiction. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13; 105.14; 105.21]	The Pennsylvania Game Commission (PGC) provided clearance by letter dated June 8, 2016. A copy of this letter is provided in Attachment 6.
DA 6.b	Provide details and clearance status of Migratory Bird issue requested by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13; 105.14; 105.21; 105.411(3)]	A revised Migratory Bird Conservation Plan was submitted to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) in correspondence dated November 23, 2016. That correspondence and plan are included in Attachment 6, Tab 6B. The Conservation Plan incorporates many of the USFWS recommendations for linear projects. In addition, many of USFWS' recommendations have previously been implemented during planning and design of the Project, including paralleling the ROW for the Project with existing utility ROWs and reducing workspaces when possible. Clearance or approval of the Conservation Plan

DA 6.c	The consultations with the agencies [Pennsylvania	is not a requirement. As stated in the letter, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) has no provision for authorization of take for migratory birds. To ensure contractor compliance, SPLP has developed a
	Game Commission (PGC), Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PFBC), Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)] have resulted in the incorporation of avoidance measures, seasonal restrictions and other recommendations being provided to the applicant in the various clearance letters. In an effort to clarify and implement these measures and restrictions the applicant needs to prepare a table clearly listing all avoidance measures, seasonal restrictions and other recommendations and provide this table to the Department as a supplement to their application. These conditions also need to be included in the Notes of the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan so that they are readily accessible to project staff and contractors. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13; 105.14; 105.16(c)(3); 105.21]	state-of-the-art web-based mapping application that is required to be used by the contractor to determine all special environmental restrictions such as Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) and trout stream restrictions. All of the restrictions and avoidance measures committed to and approved by PNDI agencies are included in the Project Description within a summary table and within the PNDI agency final determination letters and accepted Conservation Plans included in Attachment 6, Tab B. The same notes in the Project Description are reflected within the E&S Plan notes. Trout stream restrictions and other sensitive species restrictions are also noted on aerial site plans and E&S Plans, however due to the senstive nature of the some of the information not all is depicted. SPLP will implement a comprehensive Environmental Training and Inspection program designed specifically to ensure contractors are appropriate notified and are adhering to such restrictions.
DA 7	Site Plans	NA - Heading
DA 7.a	Provide cross section drawings for all stream crossings and indicate existing and proposed conditions at each crossing site. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(A) & (G); 105.302; 105.311; 105.13]	Attachment 7, Tabs 7B, 7C, 7D, and 7G contain cross sections of all streams that are proposed to be crossed using a trenchless construction method, are complex, or are intermittent or perennial. The existing and proposed conditions are to be the same based on the full restoration of existing grade except where the project has planned aboveground facilities.
DA 7.b	Provide plans and cross sections indicating pipe size, placement, and locations for all wetlands,	Water withdrawals in Dauphin County (i.e., Susquehanna River and Swatara Creek) will use temporary and above-

	streams, floodways and floodplains where the testing discharges are proposed for Mainline Testing and HDD Testing and revise the impact tables to include these impacts. The cross sections need to depict, at a minimum, the proposed structures, resource boundaries, stream bed and banks, water surface elevation. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.3(a)(4); 105.11(a); 105.13(e)(1)(i); 105.14(b)(4); 105.301; 105.151(1)]	ground equipment. The water withdrawal locations are labeled on the Chapter 105 drawings. Additional details, including specific equipment configurations are included in the Chapter 102 E&S drawing details, which are referenced in the Chapter 105 drawings. All encroachments and obstructions (e.g., pump pad) are identified on the Chapter 102 drawings and included within the limit of disturbance. All discharge outfall locations are shown on the Chapter 105 drawings and supporting information such as typical discharge details are included in the Chapter 102 E&S drawings which are referenced in the Chapter 105 drawings. Per a conference call with DEP on September 27, 2016, it was agreed that call-out notes will be added on Chapter 102 drawings to refer to typical discharge structure details instead of supplying full cross sections at each outfall location.
		In addition, SPLP has obtained a DEP PAG-10 General NPDES Discharge Permit (Pending Permit No PAG103570) to allow discharge of hydrostatic test waters. The permit application captures the details of the mainline and HDD testing discharges including discharge capacity, methods, and structures. All discharge structures are located within the LOD and are identified in the Chapter 105 application impacts (Attachment 11).
DA 7.c	Provide plans showing the location, type, size and height of the proposed culvert modifications for piping placed in existing stream culverts and along and within stream channels for the Mainline Testing and HDD Testing. Provide an analysis of the hydraulic capacity demonstrating that the	Temporary piping will be placed in Burd Run as part of water withdrawal at the Susquehanna River. Water withdrawal activities for the Susquehanna River are being permitted through the SRBC. Chapter 102 E&S drawing details include the location information for the temporary culvert impacts. Chapter 102 E&S drawings

	structures do not materially alter the natural regimen of the stream or increase velocities or direct flows in a manner which results in erosion of stream beds and banks. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.3(a)(4); 105.11(a); 105.13(e)(1)(i); 105.14(b)(4); 105.301; 105.151(1) and (3); 105.161(a)(3) and (4)]	are referenced in the Chapter 105 drawings. The temporary piping will be installed in a manner whereby it is easily removed when not in use or prior to any flooding events. A hydraulic analysis of all culvert modifications was completed to determine the hydraulic capacity of each culvert. Each culvert is adequately sized to accommodate a 25-year storm when the temporary piping is in place, so that the modifications will not materially alter the natural regimen of the stream or increase velocities or direct flows in a manner which results in erosion of stream beds and banks. See E&S Report Attachment 8 for the supporting calculations.
DA 8	Location Map - No additional comments.	NA - Heading
DA 9	Project Description	NA - Heading
DA 9.a	Provide a description and plans of how the water will be withdrawn for the proposed hydrostatic testing to include the methods to be utilized, what equipment and structures are proposed to be placed and utilized for both withdrawals and discharges in Waters of the Commonwealth, and the length of time which any temporary water obstructions will remain in place. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(x); 105.13(e)(1)(x)]	The Susquehanna River and Swatara Creek are the only water withdrawals planned to be used in Dauphin County. Water withdrawals from these locations will use temporary and above-ground equipment. These water withdrawal locations are labeled on the Chapter 105 drawings. Additional details, including specific equipment configurations are included in the Chapter 102 E&S drawing details, which are referenced in the Chapter 105 drawings. All encroachments and obstructions (e.g., pump pad) are identified on the Chapter 102 drawings and included within the limit of disturbance. Water withdrawal activities for both the Susquehanna River and Swatara Creek are being permitted through the SRBC. The surface water withdrawal dockets for these water sources are expected in December 2016. A copy of the approved dockets will be made available to DEP.

		Withdrawal rates from the Susquehanna River and Swatara Creek will be limited to approved SRBC docket conditions. The Susquehanna River and Swatara Creek are expected to be used intermittently over a period of a few months. Equipment will be removed from the floodway when not in use and in the event of flooding. The Susquehanna River is planned as the source of water to drill and test four HDDs and conduct mainline hydrostatic testing. Swatara Creek is planned as the source of water to drill and test two HDDs and conduct mainline hydrostatic testing. HDD drilling/testing will be completed weeks to months prior to the mainline hydrostatic testing.
		SPLP has obtained a DEP PAG-10 General NPDES Discharge Permit to allow discharge of hydrostatic test waters (Pending Permit No PAG103570). The permit application captures the details of the mainline and HDD testing discharges including discharge capacity, methods, and structures. All discharge structures are located within the LOD. The length of time the structures will be used is also captured in the PAG10 permit application.
		In addition to the information provided in the PAG-10 permit application, all discharge outfall locations are shown on the Chapter 105 drawings and supporting information such as typical discharge details are included in the Chapter 102 E&S drawings which are referenced in the Chapter 105 drawings.
DA 9.b	Descriptions and locations of valve stations are not provided. Provide descriptions and locations of the valve stations located in Dauphin County. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13; 105.14]	Three block valves are proposed in Dauphin County; two would be newly created and one would be located at existing SPLP facility locations. Block valves are

		described and locations are identified/listed in the Project Description (Attachment 9).
DA 9.c	Provide the provisions to be used to protect the environmental resource in the event of break or rupture. These provisions need to be explained in	The revised Project Description provided in Attachment 9 discusses block valves, their location, and the siting criteria that provides shutoff provisions. Values are shut
	the Project Description and referenced on the drawings. [25 Pa. Code Section 105.302(5)]	off remotely or manually. Block valves are also depicted on the aerial site plans provided in Attachment 7, Tab 7A.
DA 10	Color Photographs - No additional comments.	NA - Heading
DA 11	Environmental Assessment	NA - Heading
DA 11.a	The application identifies a number of watercourses (streams) as ephemeral (see Table 3, Section F, Attachment 11). Methods for the determination of flow ephemeral status of the streams are not provided. It appears that only desk-top evaluations and/or cursory field observations were utilized. Ephemeral streams are not identified separately in Chapter 105 and are included in the definition of intermittent streams. Revise the application materials accordingly to identify the ephemeral streams as intermittent. [25 Pa. Code Section 105.1]	Attachment 11 provides a supplemental aquatic resources report and provides the methodology for identification of the flow regime. Ephemeral and intermittent streams are identified in Table 3 to provide a better understanding of those streams that are primarily driven by stormwater runoff, versus those with stormwater and groundwater support. This designation will aid in the selection of the appropriate dry stream crossing method and selection of the type of temporary equipment bridgethat will be installed. A footnote has been added to Table 3 to indicate that in accordance with Chapter 105, ephemeral streams are included in the definition of intermittent streams.
DA 11.b	The application classifies watercourses as "drains to." There is no stream classification in 25 Pa. Code Chapter 93 as "drains to." All tributaries not noted separately in Chapter 93 are given the classification of their downstream reaches and thus receive the appropriate level of protection. Revise relevant tables to include the correct stream classification for all streams and their tributaries. [25 Pa. Code Section 93.1]	The "drains to" qualifier was added to reflect that the crossed portion of the stream has not been formally classified in Chapter 93, however SPLP understands that the designation extends beyond the designated reach. The qualifier assists with an understanding of this distinction and Table 3 has been updated with a footnote for clarity.

DA 11.c	Section F, Attachment 11, EA Form, page 2, Item 7 states, "Is the water resource part of or located along a private or public water supply?" The Applicant checked "No." However, no documentation validating this statement is provided in the application. DEP is concerned that private and perhaps public water supply wells are located along crossed stream and wetland water resources and/or along the length of the HDD operations.	Water supply impacts have been analyzed and addressed within three supplemental plans to the PPC Plan: the Water Supply Assessment, Preparedness Prevention and Contingency Plan, the IR Plan, and Void Mitigation Plan for Karst Terrain and Underground Mining. These supplemental plans are provided in Attachment 12 and the EAF revised accordingly. These plans provide instructions and procedures to facilitate the avoidance and minimization of impacts and provides the framework to investigate and resolve impacts caused by spills, releases, and other pollution events should they occur. Applicable public private downstream user information is compiled within the Water Supply plan and identification, notification, and testing procedure for private wells discussed.
DA 11.c (cont.)	The applicant needs to propose measures to protect all public water uses, both surface intakes and groundwater sources, located along and/or downstream of the proposed work areas. Special attention needs to be applied to the potential unplanned impacts that HDD and inadvertent releases (IR) may have on groundwater sources. In addition, where a structure or activity is in a wetland, the applicant must demonstrate that this project will not cause or contribute to the pollution of groundwater or surface water resources or diminution of resources sufficient to interfere with their uses, including use as a public or private water supply. Your assessment needs to include identification, notification and consultations with water suppliers and/or well owners. A notification contact list needs to be included in your PPC Plan	Water supply impacts have been analyzed and addressed within three supplemental plans to the PPC Plan, the Water Supply Assessment, Preparedness Prevention and Contingency Plan, the IR Plan, and the Void Mitigation Plan for Karst Terrain and Underground Mining. These plans are provided in Attachment 12.

	and Inadvertent Release Plan. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13; 105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(5); 105.18a(5); 105.18a(b)(5)]	
DA 11.d	Item B.2.a of Section F, Attachment11, Enclosure D of the Environmental Assessment (EA) states the natural drainage patterns of the wetlands and small or headwater streams will be maintained. However, no information, detailed contours or cross sections depicting the drainage patterns of streams has been provided, nor have the existing drainage patterns been documented. Provide site specific cross sections for the streams and wetlands which depict the existing and proposed conditions of the streams and wetlands, proposed pipes and depths, the existing stream bed and banks dimensions. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(i)(G); 105.13(e)(1)(x); 105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(13); 105.13(e)(1)(ix); 105.1, Mitigation Definition; 105.14(b)(11); 105.15(a); 105.15(a)(1); 105.16(d); 105.18a(a)(1); 105.18a(a)(5); 105.301(4); 105.301(5)]	Additional cross sections are located in Attachment 7, Tab 7G for intermittent and perennial stream crossings that do not have site-specific (Attachment 12), HDD (Attachment 7, Tab 7B), or bore (Attachment 7, Tab 7C) drawings prepared which contain profile information. All existing bank and wetland dimensions are provided within the aquatic resource tables provided in Attachment 11. Typical cross-sectional details provided within the E&S Plan Sheets accommodate the lesser and more minor stream crossings (e.g., those designated ephemeral). All bed and bank and wetland contours are to be restored to the existing condition in accordance with the Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Procedures provided in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4.
DA 11.e	Revise Section A.9 of Enclosure D of the Environmental Assessment to discuss and identify impacts to preserved farms and/or farms with agriculture preservation easements or restrictions. Discuss how the minimization measures would affect preserved farms and how they will be affected, such as not to be able to replant an orchard or vineyard. [25 Pa. Code Sections	Impacts of the Project, which includes an evaluation of water resource impacts, on these designations are provided in Attachment 11, Enclosure D, A.11 and Enclosure E, Part 2.

	105.13(e)(1)(x); 105.21(a)(1); 105.15(a);	
	105.15(a)(1); 105.14(b)(5); 105.14(b)(4); EA Form	
DA 10	Instructions]	NTA TI 1'
DA 12	Erosion and Sediment Control Plan	NA - Heading
DA 12.a	The E&S Plan drawings and, plan sheets indicate that no improvements are proposed for the resource crossings. However, the impact plan drawings and impact tables indicate temporary crossings and bridges are proposed. Revise the application accordingly to be accurate. If temporary crossings are proposed, revise the E&S Plan drawings to depict the impacts. If an existing road with existing obstructions crossing streams or wetlands is proposed to be utilized with no improvements proposed to the road, then provide color photographs of the resources and existing road crossings. Note: the provided photographs do not depict or clearly depict these crossings. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(i)(C); 105.13(e)(1)(iii)(A); 105.13(e)(1)(iv); 105.15(a), and 105.21(a)(1); and on EA Form Instructions]	The E&S Plan (Attachment 12) has been updated to clarify that there are no permanent improvements at the referenced resource crossings. Project areas identified as Temporary Access Roads will need varying level of improvement to facilitate construction, but are to be restored to pre-existing conditions. Temporary impacts to the floodway at existing culverted crossings are quantified and accounted for within the application.
DA 12.b	Stream and wetland crossing details are only provided in the "Notes" pages of the E&S Plan. Provide details on how each crossing will be constructed, associated E&S controls installed and	Stream and crossing "typical" crossing details are to be utilized at each crossing; therefore, the notes are applicable to all crossings and best presented in the upfront sheeting. The typical crossing details are relevant
	how restoration will be accomplished. To facilitate your response this comment can be addressed by developing a table containing the requested information. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(i)(C), 105.13(e)(1)(iii)(A), 105.13(e)(1)(iv), 105.15(a), and 105.21(a)(1) and	and applicable to each typical resource crossing, and will be implemented at each crossing without the need to specifically depict such typical details on the plan views of the E&S Plan drawings (Attachments 7 and 12). In several cases, site-specific drawings have been created and are referenced within the E&S Plan sheets and
	on EA Form Instructions]	provided after the standard sheeting. These site-specifics

		also reference the typicals which provide a consistent location for the same information.
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DA 12.c	The "typical" wetland crossing details shown on the E&S plans indicates Trench Breakers are to be	The standard typical detail on the E&S plans has been revised to better detail ditch trench plug installation
	installed in the trench in the wetlands; however, it	(Attachment 12). Additionally, the trench plugs have
	is not clear what Trench Breakers are or if Trench	been moved to the outside of the wetland boundaries and
	Plugs are what is meant. Revise this detail to	a note added that additional trench plugs will be installed
	identify if Trench Plugs are meant by this term or	for long open-cut wetland crossings. The project's
	provide a detail for trench breakers. In addition, if	Environmental Compliance Program team will ensure
	trench plugs are proposed to maintain wetland	appropriate spacing.
	hydrology, revise the detail to include trench plugs	
	within the wetland for wetland crossings and	
	specify the distance increments. Furthermore, the	
	E&S plan drawings depict trench plugs which are	
	inconsistent with the detail. Revise the site plans to	
	be consistent with the detail. [25 Pa. Code Sections	
	105.18a(a)(1); 105.18a(a)(3); 105.18a(a)(4);	
	105.18a(a)(5); 105.18a(b)(2); 105.18a(b)(3);	
	105.18a(b)(4); 105.18a(b)(5); 105.15(a)(1);	
	105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(11); 105.14(b)(13); 105.13(e)(1)(i)]	
DA 12.d	Provide plans showing the location, type, size and	No permanent culverts are planned to be installed in
	height of any proposed culvert construction and/or	Dauphin County. Temporary bridge installation will be in
	modifications of culverts within streams or	accordance with the E&S Plan provided in Attachment
	wetlands. Provide an analysis of the hydraulic	12.
	capacity demonstrating that the structures do not	
	have: (1) an adverse impact on EV wetlands; (2) a	
	significant adverse impact on Other wetlands; and	
	(3) materially alter the natural regimen of the	
	stream or increase velocities or direct flows in a	
	manner which results in erosion of stream beds and	
	banks. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.18a(a)(1);	

	105.18a(a)(3);105.18a(a)(4); 105.18a(a)(5); 105.18a(b)(1);105.18a(b)(2); 105.18a(b)(3); 105.18a(b)(4); 105.18a(b)(5); 105.15(a)(1); 105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(11); 105.14(b)(13);	
DA 12.e	ES-0.11 Sheet needs cross section revised to indicated 20" and 16" pipes (w/ trench box, if appropriate), and width of trench. Dry bypass plan shows 8" pipe (from ME1?). This needs to be revised. [25 Pa. Code Section 105.13(e)(1)(i)(C)]	The E&S Plan notes and detail sheets have been revised accordingly.
DA 12.f	Proposed plantings relating to immediate stabilization on restoration plans need to eliminate Crown Vetch (Coronilla varia).	Crown vetch has been eliminated for use on the Project.
DA 13	Hydrologic and Hydraulic Analysis - No additional comments.	NA - Heading
DA 14	Stormwater and Floodplain Management Analysis	NA - Heading
DA 14.a	An Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan has been prepared/adopted by the County under the Stormwater Management Act. Provide an analysis of the project's impact on, and consistency with, the stormwater management plan, along with a letter from the municipalities and county commenting on this analysis. If a letter is not provided, provide all correspondence with the	In accordance with 25 Pa. Code § 105.13 (e)(1)(v), in November 2015 and February 2016, SPLP submitted requests for a consistency determination to Dauphin County and to the municipalities in Dauphin County crossed by the Project. The requests for consistency determination provided an analysis of the Project's potential impacts and how the Project intends to comply with the applicable stormwater management plans for the
	County and municipalities on this subject. [25 Pa. Code Section 105.13(e)(1)(v)]	County and municipalities, including the restoration of disturbed soils and the implementation of Erosion and Sediment Control Stormwater Best Management Practices such as Antidegradation Best Available Combination of Technologies (ABACT) at post-construction to minimize stormwater runoff, rate and volumes. The letters requesting consistency determinations from the County

		and municipalities, and their respective responses are provided in Attachment 14 of this application. The correspondence received to date include responses from Lower Swatara Township on December 3, 2015; Highspire Borough on November 24, 2015; Middletown Borough on March 1, 2016; Londonderry Township on December 11, 2015; and Conewago Township on December 11, 2015. SPLP has not received a response yet from Dauphin County. In accordance with guidance from DEP, an analysis of the Project's impact on the Stormwater Management Plan is provided in Attachment 14.
DA 14.b	The proposed project is located within a floodway delineated on the municipal FEMA map. Provide an analysis of the project's consistency with municipal flood plain management programs and provide a letter from each local municipality indicating consistency with their respective municipal flood plain management programs. If a consistency letter is not provided, provide all correspondence (including municipal requests for more information) with the municipalities on this subject. [25 Pa. Code Section 105.13(e)(1)(vi)]	Under 25 Pa. Code § 105.13(e)(1)(vi), if a proposed dam, obstruction or encroachment is located within a floodway delineated on a FEMA map, then the permit applicant must include within its permit application an analysis of the Project's impact on the floodway delineation and water surface profiles and a letter from the respective municipality commenting on the analysis. The Project does not cross or encroach upon a FEMA designated floodway in Conewago Township, Derry Township, Highspire Township, or Middletown Borough. Therefore, SPLP is not required to provide, as part of its Chapter 105 permit application, a response from Conewago Township, Derry Township, Highspire Township, or Middletown Borough regarding floodplain management consistency. The correspondence with municipalities is included within Attachment 14.
		The Project pipeline will cross FEMA-designated floodways in Londonderry Township and Lower Swatara Township. Therefore, as required by 25 Pa. Code

		105.13(e)(1)(vi), SPLP prepared a floodplain management analysis for both Londonderry Township and Lower Swatara Township. SPLP sent the analysis to Londonderry and Lower Swatara and both Townships provided comments on the analysis. Londonderry and Lower Swatara Townships have indicated that the Project is consistent with the FEMA floodplain management program effective for their Townships, evidenced by the letter responses dated December 11th and December 3rd, 2015 (respectively), and attached in Attachment 14 of this application.
DA 15	Risk Assessment - No additional comments.	NA - Heading
DA 16	Professional Engineer's Seal/Certification - No additional comments.	NA - Heading
DA 17	Alternatives Analysis (AA)	NA - Heading
DA 17.a	The AA needs to include a summary of major actions taken to avoid/minimize impacts. The Alternatives Analysis must be a detailed analysis of alternatives, including alternative locations, routings, or designs to avoid or minimize adverse impacts. Document and provide evidence that there is no practicable alternative which would not involve a wetland or that would have less adverse impact on a wetland. Revise the AA to provide a detailed analysis of alternative routings, locations, and designs to avoid and minimize impacts and provide detailed documentation and evidence that there are not practicable alternatives which would further avoid and minimize impacts. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(viii), 105.14(b)(7),	The Alternatives Analysis in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 3 has been revised to provide a detailed analysis of alternative routings, locations, and designs to avoid and minimize impacts and to provide documentation/evidence that there are no practicable alternatives that would further avoid and minimize impacts. Section 3.3 of the Alternatives Analysis includes a summary of major actions taken to avoid/minimize impacts.

	105.18a(a)(2), 105.18a(a)(3), 105.18a(b)(2), and 105.18a(b)(3)]	
DA 17.b	The applicant has selected HDD to cross selected sensitive environmental and residential/commercial areas but has not presented supporting data that documents the suitability of the substrate and geology for HDD utilization. The Revised Bog Turtle Conservation Plan (February 20, 2016) prepared by the applicant includes geotechnical data that was obtained at selected sites. However, similar geotechnical and risk analysis were not included in the application package for all proposed HDD crossings. The applicant needs to submit such data and documentation. In addition, the applicant has not presented contingency plans in case HDD fails at certain sites. Such contingency plans must be developed and submitted to DEP. Resultant impacts of utilizing other construction methods must also be documented and submitted to DEP. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(viii), 105.14(b)(7), 105.18a(a)(2), 105.18a(a)(3), 105.18a(b)(2), and 105.18a(b)(3)]	The revised IR Plan provided in Attachment 12C includes a IR risk assessment for each of the HDDs. SPLP is requesting a Chapter 105 permit to perform the crossing as presented within the application. The planned HDDs are not expected to fail, therefore contingencies for failure on not presented. Each HDD is carefully engineered for success. The project has proposed 237 HDDs (132 20-inch and 105 16-inch). Contingency planning and impact assessment for failure for all 237 HDDs would be considered unnecessary, given the historic success SPLP has had with HDD installation on other projects along this alignment. If an HDD were to fail, alternate crossing methods or routing would be assessed at that time and the appropriate agency authorizations sought.
DA 18	Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Plan	The Alternatives Analysis in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 3 has been revised to provide a detailed analysis of alternative routings, locations, and designs to avoid and minimize impacts and to provide documentation/evidence that there are no practicable alternatives that would further avoid and minimize impacts. Section 3.3 of the Alternatives Analysis includes a summary of major actions taken to avoid/minimize impacts.

DA 18.a	Concerning temporary wetland impacts associated with temporary access roads, it does not appear that proposed impacts to wetlands were avoided or minimized to the greatest extent practical. Evaluate these wetland impact areas for alternative routes. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(vii), 105.18a(2)	The Alternatives Analysis in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 3 has been revised to address this comment.
DA 18.b	and 105.18a(3)(i)—(ii)] For each wetland to be impacted, identify any potential permanent impacts to wetland hydrology and provide a plan to minimize this risk. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.18a(b)(2) and 105.14(b)(12)]	Project construction will result in minor, temporary impacts to wetland hydrology resulting from excavation of the pipeline trenches. Accordingly, Site-Specific Plans located within the E&S Plan sheet sets (Attachment 12) have been revised to address complex aquatic resource crossings and will aid in the restoration of contours and hydrology. For other wetlands areas, the construction and restoration methods are the same methods commonly used and standard for the industry, and are described in the Impact Minimization, Avoidance, and Mitigation Procedures (Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4) and in Section 3.8.1. These standards include adhering to DEP's General Permit 5 - Utility Line Stream Crossings and the USACE's Pennsylvania State Programmatic General Permit – 5 requirement that original grades must be restored after trenching and backfilling in wetlands, and that any excess fill material must be removed from the wetland and not spread onsite. These standard wetland utility installation crossing methods have been documented to result in successful restoration of wetland vegetation and hydrology, and will be implemented on the Project. Other mitigation measures that will be implemented to
		minimize impacts to wetland hydrology include segregation of topsoil and subsoil, and the installation of

trench plugs at the wetland boundaries to reduce hydrologic loss along the trench line and are presented in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 2. Impacts to wetland hydrology associated with open-cut construction vary depending on the wetlands primary source of hydrology, the wetlands position relative to the water table, and the underlying geology/soils (i.e., confining layer and/or fragipans to maintain hydrology). A restrictive layer is a layer in the soil/substratum profile that could slow or prevent the infiltration of water, potentially resulting in a perched water table. Restrictive layers could include, but are not limited to, consolidated bedrock, fragipans, dense glacial till, layers of silt or substantial clay content, strongly contrasting soil textures (e.g., silt over sand), or cemented layers, such as ortstein.

In order to minimize impacts to wetlands that depend on a restrictive layer for hydrology, SPLP has conducted a thorough review the mapped soil units in combination with field data to determine if the soil unit has the potential to support fragipan wetlands and if the field data indicated that there was a refusal when characterizing the soils. Refusal is the depth at which a layer inhibiting the ability to dig deeper was reached. Refusal is not always indicative of a hydrologically restrictive layer (e.g., high gravel/cobble content, dense tree roots), but could be indicative of a shallow restrictive layer. A refusal layer may still be permeable; whereas, a restrictive layer is impermeable by definition.

In wetlands where a confining layer or fragipan has been identified based on SPLP's assessment, or is encountered during the excavation of the trench, SPLP will have

		Professional Geologist (PG) work with the construction EIs. Specifically, the PG will field review all wetlands areas before and during trenching. During trenching, the PG will advise on the need to segregate confining layers for proper restoration of subsurface conditions following trenched construction. At wetlands determined to require confining layer restoration, the PG will also be on-site during subsurface soil backfilling to ensure proper soil layer restoration. The PG may advise on bentonite sandbag layering along the entire or portions of the trench line at the appropriate height if an identified confining layer cannot be segregated and/or restored. The PG will also provide technical expertise and oversight when karst/openings or groundwater seeps are encountered during trenching activities, and also when the presence of groundwater seeps and drains are encountered within wetland areas.
		Based on the minimization and mitigation measures that will be implemented to address wetland impacts, the Project is not anticipated to result in any adverse, significant impacts to wetland hydrology.
DA 18.c	The application references stream and wetland restoration, but sufficient details and plans for stream and wetland restorations have not been provided. Provide a mitigation/restoration plan for the impacted streams and wetlands in accordance with Section 105.20a (a) and (b). This plan needs to include all phases of restoration and replacement including detailed grading plans, stabilization, instream control measures, planting and seeding plans, schedules and monitoring plans. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(ix), 105.1, Mitigation	Stream and wetland restoration methods are identified in the Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Procedures (Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4) The E&S Plan drawings in Attachment 12 also provide notes and details on stream and wetland crossing methods and restoration. Detailed grading plans are not provided for streams and wetlands, as the preconstruction grades will be restored in accordance with pre-construction photos and visual estimation/matching of the elevations and contours with adjacent undisturbed areas. Stabilization will be achieved through restoration of grade, seeding, use

	Definition and 105.14(b)(4), 105.14(b)(13), 105.18a(a)(1), 105.18a(a)(3), 105.18a(a)(6), and 105.18a(b)(1)]	of erosion control blanket (where required), and installation of temporary erosion controls until revegetation is successful.
		Except for areas where rip-rap is proposed in streams, no in-stream control measures will be placed as obstructions in streams. Seeding plans are provided in the E&S Plan Drawings, and planting plans for restoration of woody species in PSS and PFO wetland areas are provided in the Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Procedures (Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4) Site Specific Plans located within the E&S Plan sheet set address complex aquatic resource crossings and will aid in the restoration of contours. For other areas, the construction and restoration methods are the same methods commonly used and standard for the industry, and are described in the Impact Minimization, Avoidance, and Mitigation Procedures (Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4). These standards include adhering to DEP's General Permit 5 - Utility Line Stream Crossings and the USACE's Pennsylvania State Programmatic General Permit – 5 requirement that original grades must be restored after trenching and backfilling in wetlands, and that any excess fill material must be removed from the wetland and not spread onsite. These performance standards will be adhered to for this Project.
DA 18.d	Revise Enclosures C&D to assess the condition and discuss the condition of and impacts to forested and scrub shrub riparian areas. Revise the enclosures to	Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 2 discusses primary and secondary impacts to forested and scrub-shrub riparian areas; and Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 5 has been
	discuss the primary and secondary impacts, as well as consideration of antidegradation, on watercourses for each watercourse crossing from the riparian vegetation impacts. [25 Pa. Code	expanded to include an analysis of Chapter 105 antidegradation requirements related to forested riparian buffer impacts along watercourses crossed by the Project.

	§§105.15(a), 105.13(E)(1)(x); 105.14(b)(4);	
	105.14(b)(11); 105.14(b)(12); 105.14(b)(14)]	
DA 18.d.i	Evaluate the riparian areas from the top of bank	Riparian areas have been evaluated for each stream from
	landward 100ft, and if the area utilized is less than	100 feet from each bank according to DEP's
	100ft, justification should be given as to why. [25	recommendation. The analysis discussing the effects of
	Pa. Code §§105.15(a); 105.13(E)(1)(x);	the Project on the riparian areas is provided in Attachment
	105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(11); 105.14(b)(12);	11, Enclosure E, Part 2 (Project-wide Resource
	105.14(b)(14); Riparian Forest Buffer Guidance,	Identification and Project Impacts).
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DA 18.d.ii	To avoid and minimize the impacts to the	Except at above ground facilities including valve and
	watercourses, provide a plan to replace the	pump stations, all previously vegetated temporary and
	vegetation lost in both permanent and temporary	permanent workspaces are restored to a vegetated state in
	ROW and workspaces. Alternatively, where it	accordance with the E&S Plan provided in Attachment
	cannot be replaced and protected from clearing	12. Also the BMPs for restoring and maintenance of
	during the proposed project's operation and	these areas are discussed within the Impact Avoidance,
	maintenance, provide an explanation as to why it	Minimization, and Mitigation Procedures found in
	cannot be replaced. [25 Pa. Code §§105.15(a);	Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4 as well as the
	105.13(E)(1)(x); 105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(11);	Resource Identification and Project Impacts found in
	105.14(b)(12); 105.14(b)(14); 105.1; 105.14(b)(7)]	Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 2.
DA 18.d.iii	Revise the application plan drawings and project	SPLP did not revise the plan drawings. Instead, SPLP
	description, to clearly and specifically state if	revised both the Project Description located in
	vegetation clearing, cutting, removal, or other	Attachment 9 to define the terms used within the plan
	alteration is proposed as part of the proposed	drawings such as "Permanent Access Road," "Permanent
	projects' construction, operation, and maintenance.	ROW," "Temporary ROW," and "Additional Temporary
	Revise the plan drawings to clearly indicate all	Workspace" and the aerial site plans located in
	locations where maintenance clearing, cutting,	Attachment 7, Tab 7A to more clearly depict these
	removal, or other alteration is not part of proposed	designated areas. The Impact Avoidance, Minimization,
	maintenance activities. [25 Pa. Code	and Mitigation Procedures in Attachment 11, Enclosure E,
	§§105.13(e)(1)(ix); 105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(12);	Part 4 details the construction, operation, and maintenance
	105.14(b)(13); 105.14(b)(14); 105.11(d)]	procedures in these designated areas.
		As depicted on the aerial site plans, the DEP Chapter 105
		jurisdictional areas defined as "Permanent Impact" are

areas where the "Permanent ROW", "Permanent Access Road", "ROW-Travel and Clearing LOD", "Station-LOD", and "Block Valve Setting-LOD" intersect waters of the Commonwealth. These areas will receive both direct and indirect impacts resulting from the placement or construction of a water obstruction or encroachment and include areas necessary for the operation and maintenance of the water obstruction or encroachment located in, along or across, or projecting into a watercourse, floodway or body of water. These "Permanent Impacts" areas are proposed for permanent vegetation clearing, cutting, grubbing, removal, and maintenance. However, wetlands will not be cut or mowed during general operation and maintenance.

As depicted on the aerial site plans, the DEP Chapter 105 jurisdictional areas defined as "Temporary Impacts" are areas where "Temporary ROW", Additional Temporary Workspace ("ATWS"), "ROW-Travel LOD", and "Temporary Access Road" intersect waters of the Commonwealth. These areas will receive both direct and indirect impacts resulting from the construction of a water obstruction or encroachment located in, along or across, or projecting into a watercourse, floodway or body of water that are restored upon completion of construction. These "Temporary Impacts" areas are proposed for temporary vegetation cutting, clearing, grubbing, and removal. These areas will be allowed to revert, no future maintenance or operations will occur.

The "Permanent Easement" depicted on the aerial site plans identifies the limits of SPLP's agreement with the affected landowner, and is an independent designation

from proposed "Permanent Impacts" and "Temporary Impacts". In areas not identified as "Permanent Impacts" or "Temporary Impacts" within the "Permanent Easement", no permanent or temporary vegetation cutting, clearing, grubbing, removal, and/or maintenance is proposed. The "Permanent Easement" is depicted on the aerial site plans in response to previous DEP requests to show the limits of the permanent easement in areas where "Permanent Impacts" and "Temporary Impacts" are not proposed, and does not represent a DEP Chapter 105 jurisdictional area. DA 18.e In regards to the Mitigation Plan, explain how The Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation preexisting conditions (bank grades, bank slopes, Procedures provided in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part bed and bank elevations and habitat features) will 4 includes the details for stream restoration. The E&S be documented and used as a basis to restore Plan included in Attachment 12 provides the plan and impacted streams and wetlands to preexisting or details, including standard typical details and site-specific plans for select crossings, as well as conditions for stream better habitat conditions. Explain under what conditions the restoration design based on bed materials segregation and installation of BMPs to preexisting design will be modified when the protect on-site and adjacent waters from storm-event preexisting conditions are degraded (areas of severe sedimentation and erosion. The Environmental Inspection bank erosion, bank undercutting, unnatural Program and conditions for inspection of BMPs postsignificant rain events is also discussed. substrate and similar conditions). Provide plans and details for the restoration of stream habitat at The wetland and stream construction and restoration open cut stream crossings. This needs to include methods are the same methods commonly used and stock piling and segregation and replacement of standard for the industry, and are described in the Impact native stream bed material. Contingency plans Minimization, Avoidance, and Mitigation Procedures addressing measures to stabilize the work area in (Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4). These standards the event of sudden precipitation need to be include adhering to DEP's General Permit- Utility Line included. [25 Pa. Code Sections Stream Crossings and the USACE's Pennsylvania State 105.13(e)(1)(i)(G), 105.13(e)(1)(i)(C), 105.311(2), Programmatic General Permit requirement that original 105.15(a), 105.14(b)(4), and 105.16(d)

grades, hydrology, and wetland vegetation must be

		restored after trenching and backfilling, and that any excess fill material must be removed. These performance standards will be adhered to for this Project. These standard stream/wetland utility installation crossing methods have been documented to result in successful restoration of cross sections and profiles.
DA 18.f	The Mitigation Plan provided indicates that temporarily impacted palustrine scrub/shrub (PSS) and palustrine forested (PFO) wetlands located outside of the permanent right-of-way will be replanted with native trees and shrubs. However, according to the wetland impacts presented throughout the application, no PSS or PFO wetlands are proposed to be impacted outside of the permanent right-of-way (ROW). Please clarify. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(x), 105.13(e)(1)(ix), and 105.21(a)(1)]	The permit application submitted with these responses now indicates the locations where there may be temporary impacts to PSS and PFO wetlands located outside the permanent right-of-way. The replanting of temporarily impacted PSS and PFO wetlands is discussed in the Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Procedures provided in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4.
DA 18.g	Section 2.2.2.1 of the Mitigation Plan identifies that wetlands will be reseeded with a native wetland seed mixture; however, the mixture is not specified nor is it proposed on the plans. Revise the application to identify the seed mixture to be used and revise the E&S plans to indicate its use for wetland restoration. Provide similar information for the replanting of wetland shrubs and forest species. Note that not planting and allowing natural colonization of impacted areas will likely result in domination by invasive, non-native species and is not an acceptable approach to restoration. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(ix); 105.1, Mitigation Definition; 105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(13);	The Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Procedures provided in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4 includes the details for standard and site-specific (including restored PSS and PFO habitats) wetland restoration, as well as invasive species control, monitoring, and reporting. The E&S Plans have been revised accordingly.

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	105.18a(a)(1); 105.18a(a)(3); 105.18a(a)(6);	
	105.18a(b)(1); 105.18a(b)(2); 105.18a(b)(6)]	
DA 18.h	The Mitigation Plan and Environmental	A stand-alone Alternatives Analysis document, which
	Assessment (EA) state that conversion of Palustrine	evaluates the cumulative conversion of PFO wetlands for
	Forested Wetlands (PFO) is proposed to occur, that	the entire project, has been added to the application
	there will be a functional loss, but the loss is de	materials and is located in Attachment 11, Enclosure E,
	minimis; however, the application does not	Part 3. The stand-alone compensatory mitigation plan has
	evaluate the cumulative conversion of PFO	been revised and is located in Attachment 11, Enclosure
	wetlands for the entire project. Revise the	F.
	application to assess the impacts to the affected	
	forested wetlands, evaluate the cumulative effect on	
	all counties of the proposed project, and provide	
	compensatory replacement for the lost functions	
	and values. Provide plans for compensatory	
	mitigation to replace PFO permanently loss due to	
	forest conversion. Provide your definition of de	
	minimis and the source of this definition. [25 Pa.	
	Code Sections 105.13(e)(1)(ix); 105.1, Mitigation;	
	105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(14); 105.14(b)(13);	
	105.18a(a)(1); 105.18a(a)(3); 105.18a(a)(6);	
	105.18a(b)(1); 105.18a(b)(2); 105.18a(b)(6);	
	93.4a(b); 93.4a(c); Article I, Section 27 (Pa.	
	Constitution)]	
DA 18.i	Section 2.2.2.1 of the Mitigation Plan, entitled	The Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation
	"Construction in Wetlands with Unsaturated Soils",	Procedures provided in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part
	conflicts with the rest of the application, which	4 has been revised to indicate that temporary wetland
	identifies that all wetland crossings will be crossed	matting will be used along the travel lane where any
	with mats or pads. Crossing unsaturated wetlands	staging or work areas are proposed in wetlands regardless
	without timber mats would contribute to soil	of the wetlands saturated condition.
	compaction, rutting, and disturbance of the cut	
	vegetation's roots. Therefore, revise the Mitigation	
	Plan to identify that all wetland crossings shall use	

	mats or pads. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.21(a)(1); 105.13(e)(1)(ix); 105.13(e)(1)(i); 105.13(e)(1)(iii); 105.13(e)(1)(x); 105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(13); 105.15(a); 105.15(a)(1); 105.18a(a)(3); 105.18a(a)(1); 105.18a(b)(1); 105.18a(b)(2); 105.422]	
DA 18.j	Prepare a monitoring plan that verifies that the permittee will monitor the stream and wetland restoration sites for at least five (5) years. Monitoring reports will need to be submitted to the Department every six months for the first two years after construction and annually for three years thereafter. The monitoring reports shall contain information describing the success of the site at the time of inspection, an inventory of the surviving plant species and percent aerial coverage, photographs of the replacement sites with plans showing the location and orientation of each of the photographs, and a written plan to correct any deficiencies identified during the monitoring phase. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.20a; 105.18a(a)(7); 105.18a(b)(7); 105.13(e)(1)(ix) 105.16(a); 105.1 (defn. of mitigation); 105.53(4); 105.54]	Details of SPLP's annual Wetland Monitoring Program are provided in the Project Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Procedures (Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4; refer to Section 11.0). The program reflects the elements noted in this comment. Details of SPLP's Environmental Inspection Program are provided in the Project Description (Attachment 9), and also in the Project Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Procedures (Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4).
DA 18.k	The Department disagrees with the statement made in several sections of the application that secondary effects will not occur to impacted wetlands. Secondary (indirect) effects are defined in the EPA Regulations (40 CFR §230.11) as effects on an aquatic ecosystem that are associated with a discharge of dredged or fill materials, but do not result from the actual placement of the dredged or fill material. Secondary effects that may possibly	The project impact assessment document has been revised to include a Secondary Impact Analysis for the entire project, adjacent areas thereto, and future impacts, and is located in Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 2.

	occur on the impacted wetlands include alteration of wildlife and aquatic habitats, changes in hydrology due to factors such as over-compaction of soils, and colonization by invasive species. Address secondary impacts, their monitoring, prevention and control strategies in the requested restoration and mitigation plan. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.21(a)(1); 105.13(e)(1)(ix); 105.13(e)(1)(i); 105.13(e)(1)(iii); 105.13(e)(1)(x); 105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(13); 105.15(a); 105.15(a)(1); 105.18a(a)(3); 105.18a(a)(1); 105.18a(b)(1); 105.18a(b)(2); 105.53(4); 105.54; 105.422]	
DA 19	General and Other Comments	NA - Heading
DA 19.a	The application will need a comprehensive Preparedness Prevention Contingency Plan (PPC) combined with the Inadvertent Release Plan (IRP). The plan needs to include downstream notification lists of public and other water intakes and public and private water wells along the ROW, noting those water users along areas where HDD will be utilized.	The PPC Plans provided in Attachment 12, Tabs 12 A-C provide instructions and procedures to facilitate the avoidance and minimization of impacts and provides the framework to investigate and resolve impacts caused by spills, releases, and other pollution events should they occur. Applicable public private downstream user information is compiled within the Water Supply Plan and identification, notification, and testing procedure for private wells discussed.
DA 19.b	The application includes separate documents covering PPC activities. Due to the scope of this project, you must consolidate these plans into one stand-alone document that can be used in the field. This single document will be the primary document used for emergency response, and as such, needs to provide a complete and useable reference for	The Preparedness, Prevention, and Contingency Plan (PPC Plan) has been updated to be applicable projectwide, and is the overarching plan to three supplemental plans: the Water Supply Assessment, Preparedness Prevention and Contingency Plan, the IR Plan, and the Void Mitigation Plan for Karst Terrain and Underground Mining. Due to the size and distinct subject matters of

DA 19.b.i	contractors and other on-site personnel. The PPC needs to include the following: Instructions and procedures to facilitate the	each plan, these three plans are separate but reference each other and work together to provide protection to onsite and off-site water resources. These plans are found in Attachment 12 of this application are also consistent and part of the Chapter 102 application. The PPC Plans provided in Attachment 12, Tabs 12 A-C
DIX 17.0.1	avoidance and minimization of impacts and provide the framework to investigate and resolve impacts caused by spills, releases, and other pollution events should they occur.	provide instructions and procedures to facilitate the avoidance and minimization of impacts and provides the framework to investigate and resolve impacts caused by spills, releases, and other pollution events should they occur.
DA 19.b.ii	Notification protocols and an up to date list of agencies and local governments. Specifically missing from the current submitted application is the contact information for The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, PADEP Southeast Regional Office and Counties in the Southeast Region.	The IR Plan in Attachment 12C has been updated and contains a complete list of contacts, should an IR occur.
DA 19.b.iii	The management of excess drilling mud/liquids that may be encountered at the individual bore pits.	The PPC Plan and the IR Plan were updated to include standard operating procedures, which address management of excess drilling muds/liquids encountered at individual HDD sites. These plans are provided in Attachment 12
DA 19.b.iv	Appendix B needs to be revised to state that all discharges to a stream, wetland or groundwater must be contained, and PADEP must be notified. [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.2 (1 and 2); 91.33(a) and (b)]	Attachments 12A, 12B, 12C, and 12D discuss in depth groundwater and surface water protection preparedness, prevention, and mitigation measures, including all required notifications.
DA 19.c	While you provided a narrative discussing how impacts to private water supplies will be investigated and addressed, a formal plan has not been provided. Revise the PPC Plan to include the	The Project Impact Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation Procedures presents details of SPLP's annual Wetland Monitoring Program (Attachment 11, Enclosure E, Part 4). The program reflects the elements noted in this comment.

	following on public and private water supplies: [25 Pa. Code Sections 105.14(b)(4);105.14(b)(5)]	
DA 19.c.i	A copy of the FERC standards SPLP Plans to use in accepting and investigating landowner complaints of spring and well water supply impairment.	The PPC Plan has been revised to remove the reference to FERC standards in accepting and investigating landowner complaints of spring and well water supply impairment. A separate, stand-alone Water Supply Assessment, Prevention, Preparedness, and Contingency Plan has been prepared that details the procedures and standards for accepting and investigating landowner complaints regarding spring and well water supply impairment. This Water Supply Assessment, Prevention, Preparedness, and Contingency Plan is provided in Attachment 12, Tab 12B.
DA 19.c.ii	Measures the applicant will take to investigate for the presence of public and private water supplies in areas where HDD crossings are proposed. Utilize the attached instructions for searching eMAP for Public Water Supply locational information. You will not be able to obtain the exact source location, but you will be able to find any in the vicinity and obtain the name of the Public Water Supplier. If any are identified in the vicinity of your project, you need to contact the water supplier to discuss the project with them and work to determine if your project will have an impact on the water supply. Both surface and groundwater supplies need to be evaluated and included in your review and response documents.	Water supply impacts have been analyzed and addressed within three supplemental plans to the Preparedness, Prevention, and Contingency Plan (PPC Plan), the Water Supply Assessment, Preparedness Prevention and Contingency Plan, the IR Plan, and the Void Mitigation Plan for Karst Terrain and Underground Mining. These plans are provided in Attachment 12. SPLP used DEP's eMapPa system (DEP 2016) to identify Public Water Supply (PWS) areas that utilized "Groundwater Wells" and "Surface Water Intakes" as their source. The PWS data was used to create a file of all known public water supply areas located within 1 mile of the Project workspace, and notification letters and maps were sent to these identified PWS authorities. In the letters, SPLP requested the locations of the authority's PWS groundwater wells and/or surface intakes. SPLP used the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' (DCNR) Pennsylvania Groundwater Information System (PAGWIS) well data (DCNR 2016)

		to identify private groundwater wells located within 150 feet of the proposed Project's HDD locations. The DCNR recommends that PAGWIS data not be used for mapping purposes; therefore, SPLP has conducted independent identification and verification of private wells with landowners to determine the exact location(s) of their water well(s) prior to construction. SPLP's Water Supply Assessment, Preparedness, Prevention, and Contingency Plan (Attachment 12, Tab12B) provides a summary of well identification efforts completed to date as well as SPLP's mitigation plan.
DA 19.c.iii	Procedures that will be followed to investigate and resolve impacts to public and private water supplies should they occur as a result of the proposed activities. This procedure needs to discuss how water supply owners will be alerted in the event of an inadvertent return.	Attachment 12, Tab 12B includes a Water Supply Assessment, Prevention, Preparedness, and Contingency Plan that addresses potential impacts and describes the procedures to prevent and prepare for resolution of water supply impacts should they occur, including notification procedures.
DA 19.c.iv	Here are some options for the pipeline drilling to protect drinking water wells.	NA - Heading
DA 19.c.iv.1	Map where the pipeline crosses sensitive geology and aquifers. Maps are available from the state geologic survey of unconsolidated sand and gravel, carbonate, and known karst feature density.	Attachment 12D - Void Mitigation Plan for Karst Terrain and Underground Mining, has been created to address and map sensitive geology.
DA 19.c.iv.2	Location and contact information for drinking water wells in the vicinity of the pipeline. Well contact info can be searched for by location in the eMAP PA website for public wells and PAGWIS website for driller registered private wells.	SPLP used DEP's eMapPa system (DEP 2016) to identify Public Water Supply (PWS) areas that utilized "Groundwater Wells" and "Surface Water Intakes" as their source. The PWS data was used to create a file of all known public water supply areas located within 1 mile of the Project workspace, and notification letters and maps were sent to these identified PWS authorities. In the

		letters, SPLP requested the locations of the authority's PWS groundwater wells and/or surface intakes. SPLP used the DCNR's Pennsylvania Groundwater Information System (PAGWIS) well data (DCNR 2016) to identify private groundwater wells located within 150 feet of the proposed Project's HDD locations. In addition, SPLP has conducted independent identification and verification of private wells with landowners to determine the exact location(s) of their water well(s) prior to construction. Potential impacts to public and private water supplies have been analyzed and addressed within three supplemental plans to the PPC Plan, the Water Supply Assessment, Preparedness Prevention and Contingency Plan, the IR Plan, and the Void Mitigation Plan for Karst Terrain and Underground Mining. The IR Plan outlines the preconstruction activities implemented to ensure sound geological features are included in the drill profile, the measures to prevent impact, and the preparedness plan if an impact were to occur. These plans are provided in Attachment 12.
DA 19.c.iv.3	Within 0.5 miles, wells are potentially vulnerable over a long time period, and within 400 feet wells are vulnerable in short time periods. Some wells may have more accurately modelled protection zones available.	Potential impacts to public and private water supplies have been analyzed and addressed within three supplemental plans to the PPC Plan, the Water Supply Assessment, Preparedness Prevention and Contingency Plan, the IR Plan, and the Void Mitigation Plan for Karst Terrain and Underground Mining. The IR Plan outlines the preconstruction activities implemented to ensure sound geological features are included in the drill profile, the measures to prevent impact, and the preparedness plan if an impact were to occur. These plans are provided in Attachment 12.

DA 19.c.iv.4	Continuous monitoring of water levels in nearby wells could show a hydraulic connection that may have quantity or quality impacts. Water quality sampling and analysis of nearby wells could monitor for quality impacts.	Water supply impacts have been analyzed and addressed within three supplemental plans to the Preparedness, Prevention, and Contingency Plan (PPC Plan), the Water Supply Assessment, Preparedness Prevention and Contingency Plan, the IR Plan, and the Void Mitigation Plan for Karst Terrain and Underground Mining. These plans are provided in Attachment 12. The Water Supply Plan indicates the sampling over 120 wells.
DA 19.d	The HDD Inadvertent Return Contingency Plan includes profiles identifying Geotechnical profiles; however, no analysis has been provided on the risk of an inadvertent return occurring. Provide an analysis on the risk of an inadvertent return occurring for all proposed HDD crossings. Include in-depth detail, discussion, and data in the analysis of the risk of a return occurring. [25 Pa. Code §§105.14(b)(7); 105.18a(b)(3); 105.18a(b)(4); 105.18a(b)(5), 105.14(b)(4); 105.14(b)(11)]	The revised IR Plan provided in Attachment 12, Tab 12C includes an IR risk assessment for each of the HDDs.
DA 19.d.i	Provide information/details on previous HDD activities on the prior Mariner East pipeline project where IRs occurred. At a minimum this needs to include a topographic map with locations and latitude/longitude of each occurrence, description of event, amount of discharge, whether the discharge entered waterways and/or wetlands, mitigation/clean-up measures taken, etc. Also, provide a list of areas where Mariner East 1 had issues with inadvertent returns to the surface when conducting HDD crossings, and discuss how you have taken these historic issues into account in your design of the proposed project.	An HDD Risk Assessment is included as part of the revised Inadvertent Return Assessment, Prevention, Preparedness and Contingency Plan (IR Plan) provided in Attachment 12C. The assessment discusses previous inadvertent returns (IR) and provides the data and analysis requested.

DA 19.d.ii	A stand-alone attachment needs to be created to
	address the pre-boring geologic evaluation of the
	existence and potential to impact local drinking
	water supplies or aquifers around the boring
	location. The plan needs to include what measures
	will be employed to verify that no supplies or
	aquifer are impacted (i.e. pre and post water quality
	and quantity analysis). The plan also needs to
	specify what notifications and remediation
	measures will be employed if there are impacts.

Water supply impacts have been analyzed and addressed within three supplemental plans to the PPC Plan: the Water Supply Assessment, Preparedness Prevention and Contingency Plan, the IR Plan, and the Void Mitigation Plan for Karst Terrain and Underground Mining. These supplemental plans are provided in Attachment 12. The Water Supply Plan provides for the assessment of the existing public and private water supplies in or along the Project, as well as identifies prevention and preparedness measures to be implemented to protect those supplies. The IR Plan outlines the preconstruction activities implemented to ensure sound geological features are included in the drill profile, the measures to prevent impact, and the preparedness plan if an impact were to occur. These plans are provided in Attachment 12.

SPLP appreciates your timely review of the revision. Please contact Sandy Lare of Tetra Tech, Inc. with any questions at 716-849-9419, or email sandy.lare@tetratech.com.

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