

June 2, 2025

Joseph Dean
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Re: Northeast Supply Enhancement Project (NESE)
Acknowledgment of Intent to Resubmit DEP Permit Applications
Erosion & Sediment Control and Water Obstruction & Encroachment Permits
East Whiteland Township, Chester County
Drumore, East Drumore, and Eden Townships, Lancaster County

Dear Mr. Dean:

Thank you for your letter dated May 30, 2025, notifying the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC's (Transco's) intent to resubmit applications for Erosion & Sediment Control and Water Obstruction & Encroachment Permits related to the Northeast Supply Enhancement Project (NESE). We understand these applications are being prepared in response to the expiration of previously issued permits. The Department also acknowledges that Transco does not intend to request a new Section 401 Water Quality Certification and instead plans to rely on the certification issued by the Department on May 31, 2018.

Please be advised that the Department will review any resubmitted applications in accordance with current statutory and regulatory requirements. This review will consider any changes in site conditions or applicable standards. Additional information may be requested to support a complete and accurate evaluation.

Regarding your request for a permitting decision by August 29, 2025, the Department is fully committed to performing a timely and efficient application review once the permit applications are submitted. However, final determinations cannot be guaranteed by a specific date, as the review timeline depends on when the applications are received, the completeness and quality of the submitted application materials, and the outcomes of required public and interagency coordination.

Lastly, we note your reference to recent federal executive orders. While we understand the federal policy considerations, the Department's review will remain grounded in Pennsylvania's independent environmental protection laws, which implement Pennsylvania water standards.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me at 570-826-2015 or by email at kevwhite@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kevin S. White".

Kevin S. White, P.E.

Director

Regional Permit Coordination Office

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