

## **Williams Atlantic Sunrise PA DEP 102 and 105**

My name is Ed Hill and I am a representative of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers for approximately 20K construction members in Pennsylvania. I am here in support of the Atlantic Sunrise project and encourage the PA DEP to approve the Chapter 102 and 105 Permits for the project.

I would like to begin by thanking the PA DEP for giving us an opportunity to voice our opinions on the matter at hand.

Williams has been working with the Pennsylvania DEP for more than two years, providing the data and information needed to it and other agencies for approval of the Atlantic Sunrise project.

Williams has committed to implementing best-management practices during construction and restoration to mitigate potential impacts associated with installation of the project.

Transco had also **demonstrated** their commitment to utilizing professionally trained construction workers, including those from the IBEW, who attend at least 900 hours of in-class training and 8000 hours of on the job training over a 5-year period. In addition to the IBEW, Transco had committed to using other highly trained construction workers, including the Pipeliners, Laborers, and Operating Engineers, which again, demonstrates a commitment to following the best possible safety and quality practices by using the best trained construction workforce in America.

Williams has developed a timeline that allows for the Department's thorough and complete review of its applications as well as a comprehensive construction schedule that would place the project's facilities in service in the safest and most environmentally responsible manner. This construction schedule would enable the company to fully consider all environmental factors, maximize favorable construction and weather conditions while minimizing adverse impacts that could result from a longer construction period.

As this Project is designed, constructed and operated, Williams is committed to maintaining the highest standards of safety, utilizing construction and operational procedures that exceed already stringent industry regulations. These procedures, many of which exceed minimum federal industry regulations, includes monitoring of the pipeline 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

The IBEW encourages timely approval of the Chapter 102 and 105 permits.

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