

Southwest Regional Office

January 29, 2018

Mr. Matthew Gordon Sunoco Logistics, L.P. 535 Fritztown Road Sinking Spring, Pennsylvania 19608

RE: Hydrogeological Re-Evaluation Report

Permit No. E65-973

Norfolk Southern Railroad Crossing (S1B-0250)

Penn Borough, Jeannette and Hempfield Townships, Westmoreland County

Dear Mr. Gordon:

DEP reviewed the January 2, 2018 response to our December 4, 2017 comment letter and is requesting more information related to the HDD Analysis for the S1B-0250 HDD under permit E65-973. The Re-evaluation Report and comment letter response submitted by Sunoco Pipeline (SPLP) were posted on the DEP Mariner East II pipeline portal webpage on November 13, 2017 and January 3, 2018 respectively.

1. SPLP indicated in response to Item 1.a. of DEP's December 4<sup>th</sup> letter that 10-day notice letters were sent to 58 individual landowners located within 450 feet of the HDD and indicated the letters were previously sent to the Department, and SPLP goes on to state in its response to Item 1.b. that copies of certified mail receipts for letters sent were provided to Karyn Yordy in DEP's central office. Our information, however, is that copies of the letters were not provided to Ms. Yordy, only copies of the certified mail receipts. Based on the information provided, it is difficult if not impossible for DEP to determine what certified mail receipts correspond to the landowners within 450 feet of the above referenced HDD. In addition, the sample letter submitted with your January 2, 2018 letter redacted the identifying information related to the landowner.

DEP again requests copies of all letters sent to individual landowners within 450 feet of the HDD. Please provide both a redacted version for posting on DEP's webpage and an unredacted copy of each letter for our information.

- 2. In its response to Item 1.c. of DEP's December 4<sup>th</sup> letter, SPLP stated that it has confirmed the presence of 7 private water wells, 2 of which are located within 450 feet of the HDD, that 48 landowners receive water supply via a public system, and 67 of the adjacent properties are vacant.
  - a. In its response to Item 1.a. SPLP indicated that 58 landowners received 10-day notice letters. Based on the statement in response to Item 1.c., it is unclear how many landowners are within 450 feet of the HDD and if ALL landowners were notified. Please clarify.

- b. Please explain what is meant by the use of the term vacant. Although a residence may be vacant, the landowner's water supply still must be protected. Was any attempt made to identify and notify the owners of vacant properties? Please provide both a redacted (landowner information) and an unredacted copy of all letters sent to individual landowners.
- c. Provide the <u>property owners' response</u> to the notifications. Please provide both a redacted (landowner information) and unredacted copy of each response.
- 3. SPLP's response to Item 1.d. of DEP's December 4<sup>th</sup> letter referred to a water supply illustration, Attachment 2. Based on the illustration, there are a number of parcels identified within 450 feet of the HDD where public water supply was not confirmed and there is no indication of a private water well. Please provide information related to these parcels.
- 4. In its response to Item 2 of DEP's December 4<sup>th</sup> letter, SPLP indicated that HDD activities could affect individual well use during active drilling for wells located within 150 linear feet of either side of the profile. SPLP offers no justification of how the 150 linear feet designation was determined. Please provide justification, sealed by a Pennsylvania Professional Geologist, that wells outside of 150 feet of the profile will not be impacted.
- 5. In its response to Item 4 of DEP's December 4<sup>th</sup> letter, SPLP indicates that DEP misunderstood information provided regarding the ME-1, 12-inch line. A comparison of the location of the ME-1, 12-inch line depicted on the profile drawings for the permitted ME-2 profile and the redesigned ME-2 profile shows that the ME-1, 12-inch profile is different. Please explain how the profile of an existing line changed. In addition, for the redesigned ME-2 profile, it appears that the ME-2 line overlaps or intersects the ME-1, 12-inch line from Station 6+50 to Station 11+00 and it is not necessarily clear based on the plan view where the ME-1, 12-inch line is located as it is not specifically labeled. Please supplement your response to address all of these concerns.

Upon receipt, DEP will post requested additional information on the DEP pipeline portal webpage for public comment. The public will have 5 additional business days from the date of posting on the website to provide DEP any additional comment.

If you have any questions regarding the matter, please contact me at 412.442.4149, or by email at dadrake@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

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