



Pennsylvania  
Department of Environmental Protection

April 22, 2026

Mr. Bradford L. Fish  
Energy Transfer  
100 Green Street  
Marcus Hook, PA 19061

Re: Approval of Interim Site Characterization Report  
SPLP Pipeline Release  
eFACTS PF No. 881609  
eFACTS Activity No. 60986  
Glenwood Drive and Walker Road  
Upper Makefield Township  
Bucks County

Dear Mr. Fish:

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has reviewed the September 9, 2025 document titled *Interim Site Characterization Report*, as amended on January 5, 2026 by the document titled *Response to PADEP Letter of Deficiency on Interim Site Characterization Report*, for the Sunoco Pipeline, LP (SPLP) Twin Oaks – Newark 14”-diameter pipeline release response. This interim site characterization report was prepared by Verdantas, LLC on behalf of SPLP.

DEP has also reviewed the public comments submitted on the September 9, 2025 ISCR and the January 5, 2026 response document, as well as SPLP’s October 31, 2025 and March 30, 2026 responses to the public comments. Collectively, all the above referenced documents constitute the complete interim site characterization report (ISCR) and were submitted to DEP in accordance with DEP’s March 6, 2025 administrative order.

DEP hereby approves the ISCR in accordance with DEP’s order.

Pursuant to SPLP’s April 10, 2025 implementation schedule, approved by DEP on April 14, 2025, and as required by DEP’s order (Paragraph 2.c), SPLP shall submit a remedial action plan within 60 days of DEP’s approval of the ISCR. The remedial action plan will account for site knowledge at this time, and it will describe all actions to address soil and groundwater contamination caused by the pipeline release. The remedial action plan must contain sufficient detail to establish how the proposed remedial measures will be effective at achieving the Statewide health standard, which was selected by SPLP in your Act 2 notice of intent to remediate submitted February 13, 2025 and revised March 17, 2025. It should include adequate design plans and specifications to evaluate the proposed remedies, consistent with Act 2 procedures. The remedial action plan may be subject to revision as additional characterization, monitoring, and pathway investigation is performed.

In response to DEP Comment #1 regarding the date of the start of the pipeline leak in SPLP's January 5, 2026 *Response to Letter of Deficiency on Interim Site Characterization Report*, SPLP stated that "the earliest the release from the pipeline could have begun was May or June 2024. This date will be included in the revised ISCR and will be used in the further development and refinement of the conceptual site model."

DEP recognizes that SPLP will submit a revised ISCR following the installation and sampling of additional monitoring wells. We request that SPLP provide data or other evidence to support the conclusion that the earliest the release from the pipeline could have begun was May or June 2024 and include this data or other supporting evidence in the revised ISCR.

Please feel free to contact C. David Brown by email at [cdbrown@pa.gov](mailto:cdbrown@pa.gov) or by telephone at 484.250.5792 with any questions or if further clarification is needed regarding this matter.

Any person aggrieved by this action may appeal the action to the Environmental Hearing Board (Board), pursuant to Section 4 of the Environmental Hearing Board Act, 35 P.S. § 7514, and the Administrative Agency Law, 2 Pa.C.S. Chapter 5A. The Board's address is:

Environmental Hearing Board  
Rachel Carson State Office Building, Second Floor  
400 Market Street  
P.O. Box 8457  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8457

TDD users may contact the Environmental Hearing Board through the Pennsylvania Relay Service, 800.654.5984.

Appeals must be filed with the Board within 30 days of receipt of notice of this action unless the appropriate statute provides a different time. This paragraph does not, in and of itself, create any right of appeal beyond that permitted by applicable statutes and decisional law.

A Notice of Appeal form and the Board's rules of practice and procedure may be obtained online at <http://www.ehb.pa.gov> or by contacting the Secretary to the Board at 717.787.3483. The Notice of Appeal form and the Board's rules are also available in braille and on audiotape from the Secretary to the Board.

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IF YOU WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS ACTION, YOUR APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITH AND RECEIVED BY THE BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF THIS ACTION.

Sincerely,

C. David Brown, P.G.  
Regional Manager  
Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

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