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Philis Posey  
Acting Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20426

Re: Rockies Express Pipeline Project, REX-East  
Docket No. PF06-30

Dear Mrs. Posey:

As requested by Staff, attached for filing in the above-referenced proceeding is a weekly status report of Rockies Express Pipeline LLC.

If you have any questions with regards to these materials please contact Ryan Childs at (307) 760-5635.

Sincerely,

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## **ROCKIES EXPRESS PIPELINE PROJECT – REX EAST FERC PROJECT WEEKLY REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 03/30/07**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL WEEKLY REPORT**

#### **ENVR – FERC:**

1. Submitted 2<sup>nd</sup> Draft of Resource Report Nos. 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 11 to FERC.

#### **ENVR - FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING:**

1. Meetings held with Huntington District USACOE and OH EPA to discuss 404/10/401 permitting requirements in Ohio. USACOE concerned about EPact2005 requirements relative to NWP 12 authorizations. They believe it may be too early for applicant to submit PCN at same time as FERC application.
2. Meeting held with USACOE – Deer Creek Lake State Park to discuss results of civil, environmental, cultural surveys and request authorization to perform geotechnical core sampling. Staff believes short-term impact to campground along existing TETCO pipeline corridor outweighs creating new corridor to avoid campground. Will review with ODNR Parks and Recreation for their input.
3. Meetings held with Reynoldsburg USFWS office regarding upcoming survey requirements. Surveys will be acceptable for next year's construction period. Also will allow pre-roost tree clearing as method of avoidance to Indiana bats. May require additional mitigation for affected habitat impact.
4. Meeting held with City of Barnesville, OH to discuss HDD crossing of Barnesville Reservoir. Officials concerned about potential impact to drinking water supply system. REX-East believes that the HDD will not impact the drinking water supply system but has agreed to prepare a contingency plan in the event there is an impact to the system.
5. Meeting with SNY Levee District regarding the east federal levee at the Mississippi River. Whether REX-East crosses over the east levee or under the east levee via an HDD has not been decided. REX-East agreed to provide additional engineering detail for both cases for further discussion.
6. Preparation of USCOE 404 Wetland permit and state 401 Water Quality Certification applications continued.
7. Continued preparation of draft 401 water quality permit applications for Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio.

#### **ENVR – NEXT WEEK MAJOR ACTIVITIES:**

1. Continue development of 404/401 wetland permit applications.
2. REX-East Coordination meeting in Houston.

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**ENGINEERING WEEKLY REPORT**

**ENGR – MANAGEMENT / ADMINISTRATIVE / CONTROLS:**

1. Coordination with geotechnical boring contractors. Geotechnical borings postponed due to rain in OH.

**ENGR - FERC APPLICATION SUPPORT:**

1. Issued HDD preliminary drawings for 2<sup>nd</sup> draft resource reports.
2. Issued alignment sheets for 2<sup>nd</sup> draft resource reports.
3. Issued CD containing .pdf file of 2<sup>nd</sup> draft alignment sheets for submittal to FERC.
4. Issued waterbody crossing drawing for submittal to FERC for 2<sup>nd</sup> draft resource reports.
5. Issued residential mitigation drawings for submittal to FERC for 2<sup>nd</sup> draft resource reports.

**ENGR – CIVIL SURVEY:**

1. Continued efforts to incorporate new photography into route maps.

**ENGR – ROW SUPPORT:**

1. Issued Option Drawings to Decatur and Columbus Field Offices for review.
2. Continued development of property sketches where title and survey are available.

**ENGR – ENGINEERING:**

1. Continued development of overall project Material List.
2. Continued development of hydrostatic test plan.

**ENGR - NEXT WEEK MAJOR ACTIVITIES:**

1. Continue developing alignment sheets.

**ROW WEEKLY REPORT**

**ROW – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

1. Acquisition underway on tracts in Missouri and Indiana. Finalizing the actual number of on-line tracts and adjusting on and off-line properties and evaluating the need for survey permissions.
2. Continue to seek survey permission on tracts.
3. Continue support of civil and environmental field survey work.
4. Continue title work.

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5. Document preparation ongoing and acquisition packages being prepared as drawings are received, reviewed and approved.

### **ROW - SURVEY:**

1. Survey permitting continues along original route as well as for newly identified properties.
2. Agents are attempting personal contacts where landowners' phone numbers are unavailable. Also, letters have been sent to non-resident landowners.
3. Decatur and Columbus offices are generating weekly reports as to survey permitting status. Data is revised daily and is incorporated into status reports issued to the Survey/Construction Team.
4. Logging of trespass issues continues as they are reported. No incidents of trespass were received during the reporting period.
5. New mapping received from GIE and tract by tract review completed and sent back to GIE.
6. Work is ongoing to support geomorphic digs. To date, 127 sites have been approved for excavation. To date, 36 digs have been completed in Missouri and Illinois.

### **ROW - NEXT WEEK MAJOR ACTIVITIES:**

1. Continue title investigation in all areas.
2. Continue acquisition efforts for compressor stations.
3. Respond to landowners' requests received by phone or mail.
4. Continuing support of construction planning / meter site / compressor site issues as well as mine areas, especially in eastern Ohio.
5. Continue investigation of permitting agencies and development or planned development areas along route.
6. Continue Survey Support along the entire route of REX East as requested by Survey / Construction personnel
7. Continue ownership investigation for any new route revisions and any other areas as may be requested.
8. Continue putting together acquisition packages for Missouri, Indiana and Ohio (as drawings are made available). Illinois will follow due to narrative descriptions. Ohio status depending on availability of exhibit drawings.
9. Continue to issue acquisition packages to field Agents.
10. Continue support for geomorphic / geotechnical digs.

## **COMPRESSION WEEKLY REPORT**

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### **COMP – MAJOR ACTIVITIES:**

1. WS Nelson Engineering is completing site layouts for the REX East Reciprocating Compressor Stations for air permitting. The permitting layout for Bertrand and Arlington have been completed and have been submitted to the environmental group for air permitting.
2. Ordering materials for REX East Compressor Stations where identical materials are being ordered for REX West Compressor Stations.

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS WEEKLY REPORT**

#### **PR - MAJOR ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:**

##### **Project Web Site**

1. From March 22 – March 28 the site had 664 visits and 2,890 page views.
2. FH received and responded to 1 inquiry from the Web site.

##### **Outreach and Monitoring**

1. FH COs (Fleishman-Hillard Community Organizers) contacted 16 elected officials and 1 NGO.
2. FH COs are continuing to update elected officials and stakeholders on project status.
3. FH COs met in Ohio with officials from the Village of Barnesville (Belmont County).
4. FH COs in Ohio contacted the Wayne Township Trustee (Belmont County) and Commissioner Mark Forni (Monroe County).
5. FH COs in Illinois met with the SNY Levee District Board of Commissioners (Quincy).
6. FH COs in Illinois contacted the Pike County Board, the Morgan County Board, the Interstate Municipal Gas Agency and the Illinois Association of Drainage Districts.
7. FH COs in Illinois contacted the Cass-Morgan Farm Bureau, the Pike County Farm Bureau, the Sangamon County Farm Bureau, the Christian County Farm Bureau, the Macon County Farm Bureau, the Douglas/Moultrie Farm Bureau, and the Edgar County Farm Bureau.
8. FH COs in Indiana contacted Rick Wilson, District Director for U.S. Congressman Dan Burton, State Representative Tom Dermody (LaPorte County), and Commissioner Jeff Quyle (Morgan County).
9. FH COs attended committee hearing regarding Indiana SB 529.

##### **Media Coverage**

1. *Martins Ferry Times Leader* (OH): Pipeline answers sought
2. *Brookville Democrat* (IN): REX Pipeline officials receive cool reception
3. *Reporter-Times* (IN): Rotary International gives April schedule

#### **PR – NEXT WEEK MAJOR ACTIVITIES:**

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**Stakeholder Outreach**

1. FH will continue to reach out and respond to stakeholders.
2. FH COs will continue updating stakeholder lists for Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio.
3. FH will continue to monitor legislative activity in Indiana, Illinois and Ohio.

**Media Monitoring**

1. FH will respond to REX East media inquiries.
2. FH will monitor media for coverage of REX East and distribute any clips.