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RE: Schedule for the Environmental Review

Dear Ms. Weekley:

The Commission has recently issued the Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review (NSER) for the Rockies Express-East Project. However, certain environmental information and project details remain outstanding. Staff has requested this information previously, most recently on June 18, and August 29, 2007. Some of these issues include:

- Based on discussions in the field, Rockies Express plans to relocate two compressor stations in Ohio which would result in the relocation of the pipeline and any nonjurisdictional facilities. Information on the location, environmental impacts of the relocated facilities, and the newly affected landowners is needed properties crossed by the facilities and for residences within 0.5 mile of the new compressor station sites.
- Air quality (emissions) information for portions of the project has not been provided.
- Surveys for the Indiana bat, a federally listed species is incomplete. The survey reports proved do not provide the site-specific locations surveyed.
- The Wabash River crossing would affect Wetland Reserve Program land which is under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of Agricultural, Natural Resources

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Conservation Service (NRCS). The NRCS has indicated that it can not grant an easement across this property. We have requested information on alternative crossing locations.

- A site-specific plan for the crossing the Mississippi River and alternatives are still unresolved. The proposed crossing location includes federal owned property and the crossing of a sensitive levee.
- Based on discussions in the field, Rockies Express is looking at a potential alternative route avoiding the Barnesville Reservoir. Information on the location, environmental, impacts and newly affected landowners is needed.
- Site-specific details and environmental impacts is needed for the crossing of two National Wild and Scenic Rivers and other special interest areas (such as state parks and nature preserves).

Submission of this information with sufficient time for it to be analyzed by the staff is necessary for the resolution of substantive issues, the completion of the environmental review, and the issuance of the draft environmental impact statement. We will make every effort to meet the schedule in our NSER, however, your full cooperation is needed to file the missing information as soon as possible to avoid revision of the schedule.

If you have any questions, call me at 202-502-8066.

Sincerely,

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