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Chairman
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
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RE: Docket No. CP07-208-000 Rockies Express Pipeline

Dear Mr. Chairman,

This letter is prompted by Mr. Scott E. Parker's (President of Kinder-Morgan) to you on March 20, 2008. That letter was in response to the commission's decision to not expedite the Final EIS in the REX-East project. In that letter Mr. Parker makes reference to the number of jobs this project will bring to the affected areas and the stimulus to the economy it will provide. What Mr. Parker fails to mention is that these jobs are only for a short duration and what the long-term effects of the pipeline will be to the economies of those affected areas. Mr. Parker fails to mention that in many areas, especially those where the proposed routes deviate from existing right a ways, the value of the land will plummet in the future essentially giving the same results as a job cut or no retirement for the affected landowner. But I guess when you think about it, that's not unlike what Mr. Kinder and Mr. Morgan did to their former employees at Enron. As an affected landowner in Warren County Ohio, the second fastest growing county in Ohio, this is what I see the pipeline doing for the future economy in this area. Mr. Parker also states that the project traverses rural agricultural communities where the per capita income is often below state averages. So Kinder-Morgan is going to take (through imminent domain), the one asset these people may have (i.e. the land they think they own), and devalue it leaving them with even less. Doesn't really sound like an economic stimulus.

Mr. Parker goes on to say that in order to accomplish the goals of Kinder-Morgan it is essential that the commission act on the merits of each certificate in time to meet complicated construction schedules. Unless I'm mistaken it is **NOT** the Commissions job to accomplish the goals of Kinder-Morgan or meet their complicated schedules. It is the Commissions job as a regulatory body to establish if there is indeed a true need for the project and see that it is conducted in a manner that assures the public's safety and minimizes environmental impact. Mr. Parker goes on to say that Commission action is **required** by May 1, 2008 in order to accomplish their goals. The action that is **required** by the commission is for it to take the necessary time to asses this project and all of its repercussions and to make wise informed decisions regarding it's feasibility. For Kinder-Morgan to tell the Commission what is required of it to meet there deadlines and budgets should not be part of the picture. Schedules and budgets are internal problems within Kinder-Morgan, which show the poor planning, and unrealistic implementation that this project has been plagued with since its conception. As a governmental regulatory body it is the job of the Commission to serve the best interest of the American citizen not the

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interest of big business, regardless of its close relationship with the current administration.

It is also worth noting that as Mr. Parker refers to the REX-East project he does so in a manner that implies it has already been approved. For example Mr. Parker states, "Once completed in June, 2009". This leaves little room for doubt that he is confident this project will be approved. To my knowledge the REX-East project to date has not received an approval certificate. In fact I thought this was what this whole process was about. This is the very kind of lies REX has used through out this process to intimidate and co horse people into signing agreements.

Mr. Kelliher as you and the Commission move forward regarding decisions on the REX-East project it is imperative that you do your job as regulatory body. The commission must stand firm in its commitment to investigate and consider all of the factors affected by this project and do so in a time frame that allows for complete assessment. For the commission to be pressured by big business to meet their scheduled should not be part of the equation. The American public is counting on the Commission as a regulatory body to see that this project is looked at closely regarding its need, its public safety, its possible implementation and its environmental impacts. The possible impacts of this massive project will be felt for decades to come, please take the necessary time to evaluate it and do not let internal and external pressures determine your decisions, your commitment should be to the American public.

Sincerely,

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Landowner/Taxpayer

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