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The Honorable Michael R. Pence
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Representative Pence:

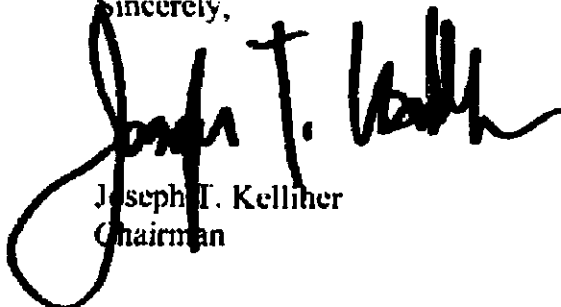
I am writing in response to your April 23, 2008 letter on behalf of Mr. Andy Stirn regarding the Rockies Express Pipeline Project - East (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Docket No. CP07-208-000).

Please be assured that we are aware of the Stirn family's concerns and those of their neighbors in West Harrison, Indiana as Mr. Stirn filed the same letter with the Commission that you forwarded to us. The Commission issued the final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Rockies East Project on April 11, 2008. Volume 2 of the final EIS, in Appendix K, contains the Commission staff's response to Mr. Stirn's letter (filed March 13, 2008) in addition to five other comment letters he filed in this proceeding.

The final EIS examined route variations in the project area--the Shulte, Oetzel and Stirn Route Variation (Section 3.512 of the final EIS). This variation, although not identical to the variation proposed by the Stirns, would reduce impacts to land use and forest. Because this variation would affect previously unaffected landowners, the final EIS recommends that Rockies Express consult with the new landowners and the existing landowners, and provide the Commission with further information on this variation.

We value your views and those of your constituency. The Commission will continue to take public comments into consideration during its decision-making process for this project. If I can be of further assistance in this or any other Commission matter, I hope you will not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,



Joseph T. Kelliher
Chairman

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