

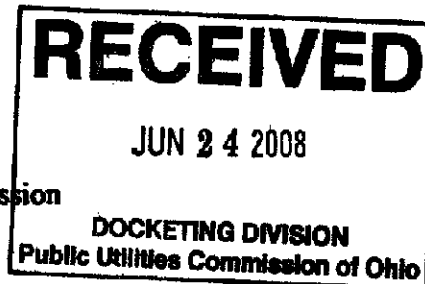
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RE: Docket Nos. CP07-208-000, 001
Rockies Express Pipeline LLC, REX-East Project
Request for Notice to Proceed - SPREAD B

Ms. Bose:

On May 30, 2008, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC" or "Commission"), pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations, issued Rockies Express Pipeline LLC ("Rockies Express") a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct and operate the REX-East project ("May 30 Order" or "Order").¹ On June 2, 2008, Rockies Express, pursuant to Section 157.20(a) of the Commission's Regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 157.20(a), notified the Commission that it accepted the Commission's Order.

The May 30 Order authorizes Rockies Express to construct and operate the REX-East project subject to identified environmental conditions contained in the Appendix to the Order. In accordance with Condition Nos. 4 & 5 to the Order, Rockies Express is required to file detailed survey alignment maps/sheets for all facilities approved by the Order and to receive written authorization to commence construction prior to actually commencing construction.

Pursuant to Condition Nos. 4 & 5 of the May 30 Order, Rockies Express hereby requests that the Director of Office of Energy Projects provide Rockies Express with written authorization ("Notice to Proceed") to commence construction on Spread B of the REX-East project, subject to the conditions set forth in the environmental conditions. Allowing Rockies Express to commence construction on this Spread will allow for the timely transportation of natural gas to consumers following the completion of the REX-East pipeline. Rockies Express respectfully requests written authorization by July 3, 2008.

¹ Rockies Express Pipeline LLC, 123 FERC ¶ 61,234 (2008)

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Spread B will be constructed between mileposts 144.1 and 190.8. All of the tracts on this Spread have been surveyed for environmental and cultural resources. Rockies Express will not commence construction in those areas of Spread B where requisite local, state or federal permits or approvals; rights of possession; or environmental (biological and cultural) surveys have yet to be obtained or conducted.

As support for this Notice to Proceed request, Rockies Express is filing "Issued for Construction" alignment sheets for Spread B. In addition, Rockies Express is submitting attachments for Spread B that include information such as Cultural Resources Survey Coverage maps, an All Conditions Table, Gantt Charts, ATWS, Hydrostatic Test Plan, CC110 Depth of Cover, Residential Plans, T&E Correspondence, SHPO Correspondence, and HDD Site-Specific Drawings.

Contained within the information submitted is cultural resource information that is considered to be privileged and confidential under the Commission's regulations. The privileged and confidential information is submitted under separate cover and marked in accordance with the Commission regulations.

Due to the large and voluminous nature of the alignment sheets, Rockies Express is only filing one hard copy of each alignment sheet with the Secretary's office. In addition, CD-ROMs with the information listed above will be included with the filing.

Please direct any questions with respect to this request for authorization to proceed to Ryan Childs at (307) 760-5635.

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