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To: Christine Pirik, Administrative Law Judge

Ms. Pirik,

June 13, 2012

On June 11, 2012, Dominion East Ohio Gas Company (Applicant) filed a motion in Case # 12-1796-GA-BNR for a waiver of the 22 day time period for an expedited processing under 4906-1-03. Regarding the Applicant's waiver request, OPSB staff offers the following observations:

- (1) OPSB Staff does not object to this waiver request. However, to the extent that such waiver is granted, it should not limit in any way OPSB Staff's ability to seek the information that it requires during the course of its investigation.
- (2) Applicant is not requesting to begin its actual construction prior to the elapsing of 22 days from it filing, but that the work preliminary to the construction, i.e., the placing of stopples in the existing pipeline to prevent gas from flowing, would occur prior to the automatic approval of the construction project. The actual construction of the new pipeline itself would occur 22 days from the fling of the Construction Notice, on or after July 3, 2012.

Respectfully,

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