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In Reply Refer To:

OEP/DG2E/Gas Branch 4
Atlantic Coast Pipeline, LLC
Dominion Energy Transmission, Inc.
Docket Nos. CP15-554-000,
CP15-554-001, and
CP15-555-000
§ 375.308(x)(7)

VIA FERC Service

October 27, 2020

Mr. Matthew R. Bley
Director, Gas Transmission Certificates
Dominion Energy Transmission, Inc.
Atlantic Coast Pipeline, LLC
707 East Main Street
Richmond, VA 23219

Re: Information Request

Dear Mr. Bley:

On October 13, 2017, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) authorized Atlantic Coast Pipeline, LLC (Atlantic) and Dominion Energy Transmission, Inc. (DETI) to construct and operate the Atlantic Coast Pipeline (ACP) and Supply Header Project (SHP), respectively.¹ On June 16, 2020, DETI filed a request for a two-year extension of time for construction of both ACP and SHP, citing unforeseen delays in permitting.

On July 5, 2020, Dominion Energy and Duke Energy issued a news release announcing the cancellation of ACP. On July 10, 2020, DETI filed a modification to the previous request for an extension of time, requesting a one-year extension for Atlantic to implement abandonment and restoration of ACP project areas. DETI also reaffirmed its

¹ *Atlantic Coast Pipeline, LLC & Dominion Energy Transmission, Inc.* 161 FERC ¶ 61,042 (2017) (Certificate Order), *reh'g denied*, 164 FERC ¶ 61,100 (2018).

request for a two-year extension of time to construct and place into service portions of the SHP, as it continues to evaluate options for use of SHP.

In order for us to determine if additional Commission authorizations are required in conjunction with cancellations, we will need more detail about your plans regarding the authorized facilities. Accordingly, you are required to provide a plan for disposition of ACP and SHP, including appropriate restoration activities, as further described in the attached enclosure.

You should file a complete response within 60 days of the date of this letter. If certain information cannot be provided within this time frame, please indicate which items will be delayed and provide a projected filing date.

File your response in accordance with the provisions of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. In particular, 18 CFR 385.2005 requires all responses to be filed under oath by an authorized Atlantic or DETI representative, and 18 CFR 385.2010 (Rule 2010) requires service to each person whose name appears on the official service list for this proceeding.

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For all materials submitted, provide an electronic copy directly to the FERC environmental project manager, Julia Yuan. If you have any questions, please contact Julia Yuan at 202-502-8130. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rich McGuire". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Rich McGuire
Director, Division of Gas-
Environment & Engineering

Enclosure

Enclosure**Atlantic Coast Pipeline Project
Supply Header Project**

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File a plan that addresses all contemplated disposition and restoration activities for the Atlantic Coast Pipeline (ACP) and the Supply Header Project (SHP). Activities should be identified by pipeline facility and by milepost. The plan must include, at a minimum, the following:

1. A schedule identifying planned initiation and completion dates for all discrete phases of project disposition and restoration activities.
2. Identification of all areas where construction has started but no pipeline has been installed (i.e., areas that have been cleared or graded) and a description of how these areas would be restored.
3. Identification of all SHP components that DETI plans to place into service, and how those facilities would integrate with DETI's system.
4. Identification of all pipeline segments, buildings, foundations, fences, aboveground piping, belowground piping, and appurtenant facilities that would be removed or left in place. This must include a description how each facility would either be left in place or removed from the site, and what methods or procedures Atlantic/DETI would use to dispose of the materials that would be removed.
5. A plan for the long-term restoration of disturbed rights-of-way. This must identify the entity that will be responsible for completing and maintaining this restoration.
6. Discussion of the status of Atlantic's/DETI's consultation with landowners on matters pertaining to project disposition and restoration activities on their property, as applicable, including:
 - a. preferences regarding treatment of pipeline segments that have already been installed (i.e., pipeline to be left in place or removed);
 - b. preferences for removal of felled trees that have not been cleared; and
 - c. preferences on how disturbed areas would be restored, depending on their land use type (e.g., forest, agricultural, etc.).
7. A table showing the federal, state, and local permits and approvals required for land-disturbing activities associated with project disposition and restoration. Include a discussion of the status of all required federal and state government

permit approvals and consultations. Include the agency and individual contacted, the date Atlantic/DETI submitted the application (or a timetable for the Atlantic/DETI submission), or whether Atlantic/DETI have received a permit.

8. The status of all historic properties requiring any further treatment or avoidance measures as well as a schedule and plans for fulfilling any remaining stipulations of the Programmatic Agreement executed to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.
9. The status of the implementation of conservation measures and mitigation for ACP and SHP impacts (e.g., tree clearing, ground disturbance) on species protected under the Endangered Species Act.

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