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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20426

Re: Docket No. CP15-558-000

Dear Secretary Bose:

As chairman of the New Jersey General Assembly Telecommunications and Utilities Committee, I have direct oversight of energy issues pending before the State. As such, many individuals, advocacy groups and business entities have shared their opinions with me regarding the PennEast Pipeline that would traverse much of central Jersey.

While the proposed line's potential route is a matter of great concern for some impacted by it and should be a matter of examination for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the pipeline could deliver potentially hundreds of millions of dollars in energy savings for residents and business alike each year. For example, a recent study found that the PennEast Pipeline would have saved New Jerseyans \$378 million in gas and electric energy costs during the 2014-2014 polar vortex. Our state needs to strive to provide savings for our resides as we maintain the diverse energy portfolio where approximately 95 percent of our power needs comes from natural gas, nuclear and renewable energy.

Furthermore, energy industry improvements can be an economic driver for our state. One economic impact study has found that approximately 12,160 jobs -- 2,500 of which would be regional direct planning and construction jobs -- could be created by the PennEast pipeline alone. The project would have an economic impact of potentially \$1.62 million.

I respectfully urge a timely review and ruling on this important project. Please feel free to contact me at any time on this or another matter of concern as I look forward to continuing to address New Jersey's energy service and infrastructure needs.

Sincerely,

Assemblyman Wayne P. DeAngelo
Deputy Speaker
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