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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
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October 23, 2015

RE: PennEast Pipeline Project
 Docket No. PF15-1-000

Dear Secretary Bose:

This letter follows the cover letter and the Preliminary NG Pipeline Impact Study for the Wild Creek Watershed and Public Water Supply Facilities in Carbon County, PA, dated July 16, 2015, and subsequent letter and addendum to the same report, dated August 19, 2015, in which your office was copied. The Bethlehem Authority (Authority) and the City of Bethlehem (City) have had continued discussions with representatives of PennEast in an effort to find a mutually acceptable route through lands of the Authority for the proposed pipeline. The current pipeline routing being proposed by PennEast will bring it adjacent to sensitive water system facilities owned and operated by the Authority and the City. The most recent discussions with PennEast occurred at a meeting of "high level officials" on October 15, 2015, in Bethlehem City Hall. The Authority and City certainly appreciate PennEast's willingness to meet with and continue the dialogue in an open and candid manner, for which PennEast should be recognized.

Despite the recent discussions between PennEast, the Authority, and the City, it is still the Authority's and City's position that the current proposed route exposes the more than 150,000 water system customers to a potential severe water outage should something occur during the construction or operation of the proposed pipeline which prevents the City from providing water service to its customers. As owners and stewards of the watershed property and operators of the water system, the Authority and the City strongly oppose the current proposed pipeline route for this reason and the reasons set forth in the Pipeline Impact Study previously provided to the Commission. The Authority and City

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have strongly suggested alternative routes to PennEast that would avoid significant portions of Authority property, including sensitive system facilities, such as the water transmission mains which carry the water to the system's customers in the City and ten surrounding municipalities in the greater Lehigh Valley. In fact, one of the alternate routes being proposed by the Authority and City offers the ability for PennEast to co-locate in a currently existing pipeline easement for a longer distance than it now does with PennEast's current proposed pipeline route.

PennEast has indicated a willingness to review alternative routes that were proposed by the Authority and City and has agreed to meet monthly with the Authority and City in order to continue this dialogue and hopefully select a pipeline route that the Authority and the City are comfortable with, and one which ensures that our customers will never face a water outage as a result of the construction and operation of the pipeline.

We trust you understand and will support our position, and we welcome any questions you may have or dialogue you may want to engage in concerning these extremely sensitive matters affecting the lives of the 150,000 water customers of the Authority and City.

Sincerely,


Executive Director

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