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MERCER COUNTY

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FROM: Laurie E. Gompf, Municipal Clerk *JEG*

DATE: November 12, 2015

Enclosed find a certified copy of Township of Hopewell Resolution #15-339, RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION TO HOLD INDEPENDENT HEARINGS RELATED TO THE PROPOSED PENNEAST PIPELINE. The resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at its regular meeting held on November 9, 2015.

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MERCER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #15-339

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION TO
HOLD INDEPENDENT HEARINGS RELATED TO THE PROPOSED PENNEAST
PIPELINE**

WHEREAS, PennEast Pipeline Company, LLC plans to construct a natural gas pipeline from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania to Hopewell Township, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) is a federal-interstate compact government agency that was formed by concurrent legislation enacted in 1961 by the United States and the four basin states (Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, and Delaware); and

WHEREAS, the DRBC has legal authority over both water quality and water quantity-related issues throughout the basin; and

WHEREAS, PennEast Pipeline will adversely affect water quality and water quantity throughout the basin, including in municipalities affected by the pipeline, such as Hopewell Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, Mercer County, New Jersey that:

1. The Township Committee requests the DRBC to hold independent hearings regarding the pipeline, separate and apart from any hearings held by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC);
2. The Township Committee invites the DRBC to hold one of those independent hearings at the Hopewell Township Municipal Building;
3. The Township Committee requests that the hearings be held as soon as time permits; and
4. The Township Committee encourages the DRBC to hold such hearings in other affected communities along the length of the proposed pipeline.

Date Adopted: November 9, 2015

CERTIFICATION
I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE
A TRUE COPY OF A *Resolution* ADOPTED
BY THE HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
AT A MEETING HELD

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