

MEETING MINUTES

PennEast Pipeline Company, LLC (PennEast) (Applicant)

Docket Number PF15-1-000

PennEast Pipeline Project

Meeting at FERC Office

DATE September 10, 2015 9:00 AM (EDT)

Attendees

FERC	Tetra Tech	PennEast
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medha Kochhar ▪ Jennifer Kerrigan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ John Scott ▪ Nathalie Schils 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Anthony Cox ▪ Dante D'Alessandro (UGIES) ▪ Jeff England (UGI) ▪ Michael Wilcox (Hatchmott McDonald) ▪ Marco Calderon (UGIES) ▪ Bernie Holcomb (URS) ▪ Jay Seegers (Vinson & Elkins) ▪ Walter Judge (PS&S)

Agenda

- Discussion on timing for certificate application and overall project schedule
- Discussion regarding NJDEP and Green Acres
- DRBC River Basin level information in the Resource Reports (RRs)
- High-level discussion of major re-routes and minor re-routes, including a discussion of appendix P and the agency and stakeholder communications tables in RR1
- Comments on RR1 1, 8, 9 and 10 and explain where we will have or have addressed those comments
- Comments from a high level on RRs 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11 and 12
- Various issues and recent trends that continue to be raised in comments and how they are/are not addressed in the filing
- Address questions

Discussion Items

- Overview of PowerPoint presentation by PennEast during meeting with FERC Commissioners at 2pm
 - o Market vs. production are pricing
 - Need is demonstrated by contracted percentage of total pipeline capacity (90 percent)
 - PennEast has responded to criticism received about consumer benefit study
 - o Project Schedule
 - Expect to submit application in mid-September, may slip from September 18th filing

- Expect to receive Certificate in August 2016
 - Construction to occur in 2017 with contingency of continuing into 2018 due to need to survey, finalize state permits, etc.
 - eLibrary comments
 - PennEast continues to track and respond to comments, updating RRs as needed
 - Survey status
 - Access to New Jersey parcels continues to be a problem; however, survey status is above 50% for wetlands, cultural, and RTE species
- NJDEP and Green Acres
 - PennEast has conducted several meetings with NJDEP to discuss process and review route
 - NJDEP doesn't appear to understand the FERC process; have requested opportunity to review RRs prior to 7(c) application
 - Medha proposed conducting a separate meeting with NJDEP to try (again) to explain process and differentiate between EA and EIS
 - Certificate will be conditional on surveys being completed
 - PennEast will meet with Highlands Conservancy in a couple weeks and with Green Acres later today
 - Concerned about timeline with regards to Green Acres review which can take 12-18 months and requires township participation
 - 100 percent of municipalities in New Jersey are being uncooperative
 - PennEast stressed willingness to compensate and mitigate for impacts to Green Acres parcels
 - Medha requested that PennEast provide details on consultation and proposed mitigation in RRs
- Delaware River Basin Commission
 - DRBC is hoping to avoid completing their own EIS and has requested that information in RRs be presented in a certain way to accommodate their review
 - PennEast is adhering to this request
 - See Tables 1.2-3, 1.2-4, and 1.3-2 in RR1
 - PennEast has conducted four face-to-face meetings with DRBC and participates in ongoing calls
- Alternatives (RR10 and Appendix P)
 - Reviewed Table 10.3-18
 - PennEast plans to add commentary to this table to explain why certain alternatives were abandoned/rejected
 - Differentiation between proposed route and prior alternatives and alternatives to prior alternatives
 - Example at Popco Quarry
 - FERC and Tetra Tech stressed importance of explaining the story for how PennEast developed this route

- Ongoing Studies
 - o Seismic hazards analysis
 - o Quarry blasting
 - o Arsenic in drinking water
 - o Karst hazard analysis
 - o Geotechnical surveys of HDD locations
 - o Geotechnical surveys at meter stations and compressor station site
 - o Seismic landslide mapping & steep slope analysis
- Review of data gaps
 - o Technically, no "non-jurisdictional" facilities
 - o Zoning for compression station site is light industrial
 - o Status of Susquehanna Estates Subdivision Project development – development is on hold; activity we saw during the site visit is just stabilization measures
 - o Noise concerns related to compressor station site
 - PennEast toured existing compressor station sites with township officials
- Review of compressor station site plan
 - o Avoids impacts to wetlands
 - o Noise impacts mitigated by presence of (much louder) Interstate 80
 - o Area is zoned for "light industrial use"
 - o PennEast has purchased entire 40 acre site
 - o Previous/historic logging in the area
- Review of Wellhead Protection Area (MP87.2) – Data Gap #59
 - o Crossing Is within 2-year refill zone
 - o PennEast will provide additional detail in RR10 but focused on constructability/engineering challenges
 - o Recommendation that PennEast document protection measures and explain reasoning behind not moving the route from this area
 - o Need to address landowner concern – horse farm
- Bethlehem Water Authority
 - o Wild Creek and Penn Forest Reservoirs – PennEast is located downstream of both
 - o BWA is concerned about age of their existing water line, sole source of water for the population
 - o PennEast is working with BWA and has increased the vertical distance between the proposed route and the water line
 - o PennEast will work with BWA to develop a contingency plan for water supply in the township in general
- Consultation with USACE (Section 408 Permit)
 - o Several collaborative meetings
 - o PennEast is working with USACE with regard to restrictions and management measures implemented at Beltzville Dam
 - Will likely result in out of sequence construction of crossing in this location
- Sourlands Conservancy

- PennEast to provide length of crossing (thought it was approx. 1 mile)
- Proposed route is not located in Ted Stiles Preserve
- Conservancy lands encompass a wide range of existing development, not all pristine land
- Primarily collocated in this area
- Communication with power line companies along pipeline route
 - JCP&L – centerline can be up to 5 feet within easement
 - PSE&G – reviewing crossings, work spaces, etc.
 - Overlapping as much as possible
 - Positive communication so far
 - PennEast will mitigate as needed
- High Consequence Areas (RR11)
 - Review of EPA's definition of "unusually sensitive areas"
 - Drinking water source
 - Ecological resource
- RR12
 - No PCBs
 - Known sites identified in RR2
 - Unanticipated finds plans will be included in Application and will be in accordance with federal and state regulations
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