

OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

In Reply Refer To:  
OEP/DG2E/Gas 1  
Tennessee Gas Pipeline  
Company, L.L.C.  
Docket No. CP11-161-000  
§ 375.308(x)

December 14, 2012  
Jacquelyne M. Rocan  
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**Re: Authorization to Commence Construction, Tree Clearing, and Use of Variances**

Dear Ms. Rocan:

I grant your November 30, 2012 request, as supplemented, for Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (TGP) to utilize access roads and commence construction and tree clearing for certain portions of the Northeast Upgrade Project in Pennsylvania. This approval is limited to:

- construction at Compressor Stations 319, 321, and 323 in Bradford, Susquehanna, and Pike Counties, respectively;
- pre-construction tree clearing and use of access roads along Loops 317 and 319 in Bradford County and Loop 321 in Wayne and Pike Counties; and
- use of the Wysox and Highway 6 Pipeyards in Bradford County and the Honesdale Pipeyard in Wayne County.

In considering this notice to proceed, we have reviewed TGP's Implementation Plan, filed on August 8, 2012, as supplemented, which included the information necessary to meet the pre-construction conditions of the Commission's Order Issuing Certificate and Approving Abandonment (Order) issued to TGP on May 29, 2012, in the above-referenced docket.

I also grant certain variance requests for additional temporary workspace and access roads as detailed in the attached table. Your requests for these additional temporary workspaces and access roads are in compliance with environmental condition 5 of the Order. In addition, we have confirmed the receipt of all federal authorizations relevant to the approved activities herein; however, use of access roads shall not involve any modification to wetlands (must be used as-is) until a permit is issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

This authorization **does not** include TGP's requested pre-construction tree clearing or use of access roads on Loop 323 in Pennsylvania. We will reconsider TGP's request once the outstanding cultural resource consultation is completed for Loop 323.

This approval also does not grant TGP the authority to commence any additional construction activities associated with the Northeast Upgrade Project or utilize any variances that are not listed in the attached table. I remind you that TGP must comply with all applicable remaining terms and conditions of the Order. If you have any questions, please contact David Hanobic at (202) 502-8312.

Sincerely,

J. Rich McGuire  
Chief, Gas Branch 1  
Division of Gas – Environment  
and Engineering

cc: Public File, Docket No. CP11-161-000

<b>Approved Additional Temporary Workspace and Access Roads</b>		
<b>Loop &amp; Milepost of Variance/Line List</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>State</b>
<b>Loop 317</b>	Bradford	Pennsylvania
2.10 / 457		
3.06 / 462		
<b>Loop 319</b>		
0.42 / 490		
2.00 / 503		
<b>Loop 321</b>	Wayne and Pike	
0.00 / 851	Wayne	
0.2 – Permanent access to MLV 322-2A		
0.26 / 856.02		
1.81 / 864		
4.00 / 872 & 873.01		
4.25 / 876	Pike	
4.42 / 877		
6.19 / New Access Road L3 AR 54		
6.70 / 884		
6.89 / 885		
7.96 / 889.02		
8.00 / 891		