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Pamela G. Monroe
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Site Evaluation Committee
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RE: Northeast Energy Direct Project (“NED” or the “Project”)
SEC 2015-08

Dear Ms. Monroe:

This firm represents Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (“Tennessee”) with regard to the NED Project referenced above. The Project is an interstate natural gas pipeline regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) under the National Gas Act and related regulations. On November 20, 2015, Tennessee filed its application for this Project with FERC (Docket No. CP-21-000).

In connection with this FERC filing, Tennessee submitted a temporary air permit application to the NHDES Air Resources Division for a compressor station in New Ipswich. This submission demonstrates that the proposed facility will comply with all applicable emissions and ambient air quality standards and control technology requirements, established by both the NHDES and the USEPA.

It is understood, based on a recent discussion between the Tennessee project team and NHDES' ARD permit staff, that the NED ARD permit application will not be reviewed by the NHDES until after the full NED Project application, with a copy of a NHDES temporary air permit application attached, has been submitted to the Site Evaluation Committee. As stated at the three recent public information sessions held in Rockingham, Cheshire and Hillsborough Counties, Tennessee anticipates filing its application with the Site Evaluation Committee during the first quarter of 2016.

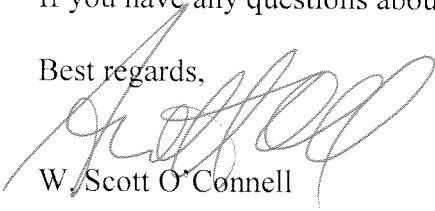
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If you have any questions about this letter, please call.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Scott O'Connell", is written over the typed name below.

W. Scott O'Connell

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cc: Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.