

January 2, 2019

The Honorable Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Office of the Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426

Re: Dominion Energy Transmission Inc. West Loop Project – Docket Number CP19-26

Dear Secretary Bose:

On behalf of the Marcellus Shale Coalition (MSC), I am writing to express our strong support for Dominion Energy Transmission, Inc.'s application to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for the company's West Loop Project.

The MSC was formed in 2008 and is comprised of approximately 200 producing, midstream, transmission and supply chain members who are fully committed to working with local, county, state and federal government officials and regulators to facilitate the safe development of natural gas resources in the Marcellus, Utica and related geological formations. Our members represent many of the largest and most active companies in natural gas production, gathering, processing and transmission in the country, as well as the suppliers and contractors who work with the industry.

The West Loop project will involve the construction and installation of five miles of pipeline in an existing right of way, along with key upgrades at compressor and regulator facilities, to help facilitate the transport of up to 150,000 dekatherms of natural gas per day across Carroll County (Ohio), and Beaver and Lawrence counties in Pennsylvania. This expanded supply is critical to supply a new natural gas electric power generation facility.

Expanding access to abundant, local supplies of natural gas is crucial to ensuring the long-term sustainability of the region's electric power generation grid, particularly as older and less economic power generation facilities are retired. Communities throughout Pennsylvania and Ohio, and beyond, are fortunate that as the region's energy landscape changes, particularly as older facilities unable to meet new federal and state environmental performance standards, there is access to abundant, clean and domestic energy right in our backyard. FERC's role in reviewing and authorizing the construction of necessary infrastructure in a timely manner is crucial to meeting the needs of our local communities. Dominion Energy's track record speaks to its commitment to construct and operate this infrastructure in a safe and reliable manner that protects the interests of local communities and our environment.

On behalf of the MSC, its member companies and their employees, I strongly urge FERC's favorable consideration of Dominion Energy's West Loop Project. Thank you for your consideration in this important matter, and please do not hesitate to contact me should FERC require additional information.

Sincerely

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President

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