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May 3, 2018

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose  
Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20426

RE: **Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC**  
**Docket No. PF18-\_\_\_\_-000**  
**Request to Initiate NEPA Pre-Filing Process**  
**MVP Southgate Project**

Dear Ms. Bose:

Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC (“Mountain Valley”), a joint venture of EQT Midstream Partners, LP; NextEra US Gas Assets, LLC; Con Edison Transmission, Inc., WGL Midstream; and RGC Midstream, LLC, respectfully requests that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission initiate its National Environmental Policy Act (“NEPA”) pre-filing review of Mountain Valley’s MVP Southgate Project (“Project”), pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 157.21. Mountain Valley intends to file an application with the Commission for authorization to construct the Project under Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (“NGA”) following completion of the NEPA Pre-Filing Process.

Representatives of the Project met with Commission Staff on April 26, 2018 to discuss the Project and the use of the NEPA Pre-Filing Process. The Project, which is approximately 72 miles in length, will be located in Pittsylvania County, Virginia and Rockingham and Alamance counties, North Carolina. The Project will have approximately 59,450 hp of compression, as more fully described herein.

In accordance with the requirements of 18 C.F.R. 157.21(d), Mountain Valley hereby provides the Commission with the following information relating to the Project.

**1. A description of the schedule desired for the project including the expected application filing date and the desired date for Commission approval (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(1)).**

The target in-service date for the Project is the fourth quarter of 2020. Mountain Valley respectfully requests that the Director of the Office of Energy Projects issue a notice approving use of the Pre-Filing Review Process by May 11, 2018.

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Mountain Valley proposes to file its formal application for the Project pursuant to Section 7(c) of the NGA in late 2018. In that application, Mountain Valley will request that the Commission issue a certificate, authorizing the siting, construction, and operation of the Project. Mountain Valley anticipates receiving authorization from the Commission to begin construction in the first quarter of 2020 and completing construction of the pipeline during the fourth quarter of 2020.

The anticipated key milestone dates for the Project are as follows:

- Submit Request to Initiate Pre-Filing Review Process – May 2018
- Submit Initial Drafts of Resource Reports 1 and 10 – June 2018
- Submit Resource Reports 1 through 12 – Third Quarter 2018
- File NGA Section 7(c) Application – Fourth Quarter 2018
- Authorization to begin construction– First Quarter 2020

Adhering to this timeline will allow for receipt of any remaining applicable permits and authorizations necessary for the Project to begin pre-construction activities, as well as the orderly mobilization of contractors and materials and the resolution of any outstanding landowner issues. During the pre-filing process, Mountain Valley will conduct significant outreach efforts to seek stakeholder input, conduct field surveys for cultural resources, wetlands and endangered species to identify and address routing issues, and begin to submit applications to other regulatory agencies. Mountain Valley anticipates resolving issues brought up during the scoping process and submitting a complete certificate application to the Commission.

**2. For LNG terminal facilities, a description of the zoning and availability of the proposed site and marine facility location. (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(2)).**

This requirement does not apply to the Project.

**3. For natural gas facilities other than LNG terminal facilities and related jurisdictional natural gas facilities, an explanation of why the proposed applicant is requesting to use the pre-filing process under this section. (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(3)).**

Mountain Valley is seeking to use the Commission's pre-filing review process to develop a complete environmental record that will allow it to better prepare its environmental resource reports and to provide information to the Commission's Staff at the earliest possible time to obtain the most expedient processing of its certificate application. In addition, use of the NEPA Pre-Filing Process will provide interested stakeholders with an opportunity to review and comment on environmental issues at the beginning of the environmental review process, thereby facilitating the timely resolution of those issues as well as the development of a complete record. The pre-filing review process will allow the environmental scoping and review process to proceed concurrently. Specifically, early review of the environmental documentation and the implementation of the stakeholder outreach program will facilitate the development of a complete record, provide all stakeholders with an opportunity to raise questions and receive responses at the earliest opportunity, and support the conclusion that the Project is in the public

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interest and allow the Project to receive approvals necessary to implement the requested service on a timeline consistent with the targeted fourth quarter 2020 in-service date.

Use of the NEPA Pre-Filing Process will benefit the Project, interested federal, state, and local agencies, and other stakeholders by:

- Assisting in the development of initial information about the Project and identifying affected parties;
- Facilitating issue identification and resolution;
- Providing a process that accommodates site visits, meetings with federal, state, and local agencies and stakeholders, participation in public information meetings (e.g., open houses), and the examination of alternatives;
- Providing interested federal, state, and local agencies and stakeholders with access to draft Environmental Resource Reports and other Project-related information;
- Minimizing the number of Commission Staff environmental data requests deemed necessary and to streamline or otherwise reduce the number of subsequent filings;
- Maintaining a coordinated schedule for a thorough environmental impact review; and
- Facilitating the preparation of high-quality Environmental Resource Reports and other related documents.

**4. A detailed description of the project, including location maps and plot plans to scale showing all major plant components that will serve as the initial discussion point for stakeholder review (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(4)).**

The 72-mile 24-inch diameter pipeline will extend from an interconnection with the Mountain Valley Pipeline (“MVP”) mainline at the new meter station (MP 0.0) approximately three miles east of the Town of Chatham in Pittsylvania County, Virginia. An approximately 47,700 hp compression station consisting of three gas-driven turbine units will be built near the interconnection with the MVP mainline on a parcel owned by Mountain Valley. From the compressor station the pipeline traverses south-southwest approximately 26.2 miles into Rockingham County, North Carolina. The pipeline will continue in a southwest direction approximately 2.0 miles to where there will be an interconnection at East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC (“East Tennessee”) (approximately MP 28) near Eden, North Carolina. A single approximately 11,150 hp gas-driven booster compression station will be installed near the East Tennessee interconnection. The pipeline continues southwest approximately 2.4 miles to a proposed delivery interconnect near the existing PSNC Dan River Meter Station (approximately MP 30.5). From this point the pipeline continues southwest for approximately 2.1 miles east of the City of Eden, North Carolina where the line turns to the southeast (MP 32.6). The pipeline continues southeast approximately 20 miles, east of the town of Wentworth and City of Reidsville into Alamance County at (MP 52.5). From the Alamance County line, the pipeline continues southeasterly to MP 65.5, where it turns south and continues for about 6.5 miles to its delivery terminus near the existing PSNC Haw Meter Station (approximately MP 72), approximately 2.5 miles southeast of the City of Graham, North Carolina. Attachment 1 contains a Project Overview map depicting the Project location.

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The Project will increase natural gas capacity and availability to Virginia and North Carolina and adds a new pipeline into North Carolina thereby improving natural gas transportation diversity and reliability in North Carolina.

In accordance with the NEPA Pre-Filing Process, Mountain Valley is committed to continuing to review the route alignment with stakeholders and working to accommodate their concerns. As Mountain Valley continues these ongoing efforts to refine the route alignment, updates to the maps will be submitted to Commission Staff and posted on the Project website.

- 5. A list of the relevant federal and state Agencies in the project area with permitting requirements. For LNG terminal facilities, the list shall identify the agency designated by the governor of the state in which the project will be located to consult with the Commission regarding state and local safety considerations. The filing shall include a statement indicating:**
- (i) That those agencies are aware of the prospective applicant's intention to use the pre-filing process (including contact names and telephone numbers);**
  - (ii) Whether the agencies have agreed to participate in the process;**
  - (iii) How the applicant has accounted for agency schedules for issuance of federal authorizations; and**
- When the applicant proposes to file with these agencies for their respective permits or other authorizations. (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(5)).**

Initial agency outreach on the Project began in April 2018. A listing of anticipated environmental permits, reviews, and consultations is included as Attachment 2. A listing of the stakeholders that Mountain Valley has contacted is included as Attachment 3.

Additionally, Mountain Valley is in the process of requesting that each federal and state agency agree to participate in the Pre-Filing Process. To date, the Virginia DEQ has indicated an interest in participating in the Pre-Filing Process. Mountain Valley expects to file for required federal and state authorizations in the fourth quarter of 2018. Mountain Valley anticipates that the relevant agencies will issue their respective federal authorizations for the Project in accordance with their respective statutory timelines, or the schedule set by Section 157.9 of the Commission's regulations.

- 6. A list and description of the interest of other persons and organizations who have been contacted about the project (including contact names and telephone numbers) (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(6)).**

A list of stakeholders, government officials and other interested persons that have been contacted about the Project is provided as Attachment 3. Mountain Valley has contacted officials at the federal, state, and local governments, including congressional delegations, state legislators, county commissioners, and local elected officials. Mountain Valley has also begun outreach to landowners whose properties will be within

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the survey corridor crossed by the pipeline and has secured survey permission from landowners along approximately 35 percent of the route. Mountain Valley will continue its ongoing efforts to identify and contact other potential stakeholders and interested persons, and updates to Attachment 3 will be submitted to Commission Staff, accordingly.

- 7. A description of what work has already been done, e.g., contacting stakeholders, agency consultations, project engineering, route planning, environmental and engineering contractor engagement, environmental surveys/studies, and open houses. This description shall also include the identification of the environmental and engineering firms and subcontractors under contract to develop the project (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(7)).**

Mountain Valley has already initiated various planning and development work for the Project, including environmental and constructability reviews beginning in late 2017 to identify the preferred and alternative pipeline routes. As stated above, Mountain Valley began contacting stakeholders in April 2018. Mountain Valley commenced an open season on April 11, 2018 that is planned to end on May 11, 2018. If as a result of the open season, Mountain Valley obtains additional shipper interest, it will refine its project as needed. At this point, Mountain Valley does not anticipate changing the proposed route. Open house dates will be coordinated with Commission Staff and are now anticipated in late June 2018 along the project route and preliminary planning of locations has commenced.

Mountain Valley has retained the following contractors to assist with the ongoing and planned work, as listed below for each contractor:

- TRC Solutions – Civil surveys, resource reports, environmental surveys and permitting
- Doyle Land Services – Survey permissions, land acquisition
- MDM – Public outreach and regulatory consulting
- Capital Results – Government Outreach and public relations
- Poyner Spruill – Government Outreach

- 8. For LNG terminal projects, proposals for at least three prospective third-party contractors from which Commission staff may make a selection to assist in the requisite NEPA document. (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(8)).**

This requirement does not apply to the Project.

- 9. For natural gas facilities other than LNG terminal facilities and related jurisdictional natural gas facilities, proposals for at least three prospective third-party contractors from which Commission staff may make a selection to assist in the preparation of the requisite NEPA document, or a proposal for the submission of an applicant prepared draft Environmental Assessment as determined during the initial consultation described in paragraph (c) of this section. (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(9)).**

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Mountain Valley sought or received proposals from fourteen potential third-party contractors. Four of these contractors submitted proposals. Mountain Valley is submitting copies of the proposals separately to the Commission for its consideration. Information on the third-party contractors and the proposals are provided as Attachment 4. Mountain Valley intends to execute a contract with the firm chosen by the Commission's Office of Energy Projects to assist Commission Staff during the pre-filing review process and development of the required NEPA documents.

The contractor proposals contain commercially sensitive information and have been marked "CUI//PRIV - DO NOT RELEASE." Privileged information should be treated as confidential and is for use by Commission Staff only and not to be released to the public. Questions pertaining to confidential information may be submitted to William Lavarco (202-347-7127; William.lavarco@nee.com).

**10. Acknowledgement that a complete Environmental Report and Complete Application are required at the time of filing. (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(10)).**

Mountain Valley acknowledges that a complete Environmental Report and a complete application under Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act will be submitted to the Commission at the time of filing.

**11. A description of a Public Participation Plan which identifies specific tools and actions to facilitate stakeholder communications and public information, including a project website and a single point of contact. This plan shall also describe how the applicant intends to respond to requests for information from federal and state permitting agencies, including, if applicable, the governor's designated agency for consultation regarding state and local safety considerations with respect to LNG facilities. (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(11)).**

Mountain Valley has developed and initiated a Project-specific Public Participation Plan for the Project which is included in Attachment 5. As part of this plan Mountain Valley has commenced contacting and soliciting comments from federal and state agencies and others regarding the Project and its potential effects on the environment. Mountain Valley will continue to engage federal and state permitting agencies and others and will hold follow up meetings to ensure that it has responded to all requests for information. To assist in public and agency outreach Mountain Valley has retained TRC Solutions, Inc., Capital Results, Poyner Spruill and MDM. The MVP Southgate Public Participation Plan is modeled after the plan used for the MVP mainline.

**12. Certification that a Letter of Intent and a Preliminary WSA have been submitted to the U.S. Coast Guard or, for modifications to an existing or approved LNG terminal, that the U. S. Coast Guard did not require such information. (18 C.F.R. 157.21(d)(12)).**

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Mountain Valley appreciates the assistance of Commission Staff in initiating the NEPA Pre-Filing Process and ensuring a thorough and timely review of the Project. Accordingly, Mountain Valley requests that the Director of the Office of Energy Projects issue a Notice commencing the pre-filing process by May 11, 2018. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me (412-553-5786; meggerding@eqt.com) or William Lavarco (202-347-7127; William.lavarco@nee.com). Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

MOUNTAIN VALLEY PIPELINE, LLC  
by and through its operator,  
EQM Gathering Opco, LLC

By:



Matthew Eggerding  
Senior Counsel, Midstream

Attachments

cc: Rich McGuire (letter only)  
Jim Martin (letter only)



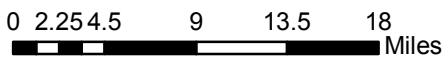
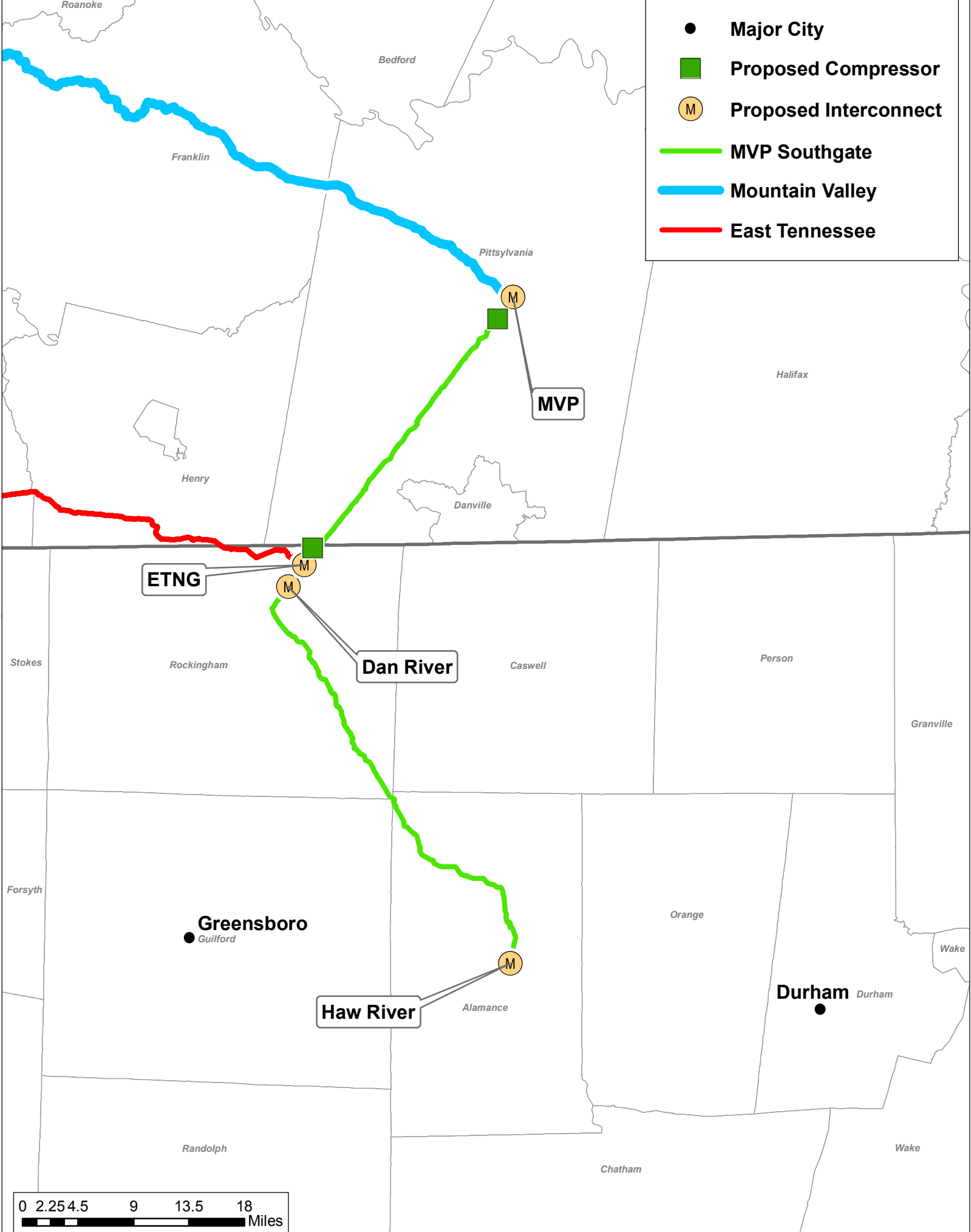
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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**MAP**



- Major City
- Proposed Compressor
- Ⓜ Proposed Interconnect
- MVP Southgate
- Mountain Valley
- East Tennessee





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**ATTACHMENT 2**

**ANTICIPATED ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS, REVIEWS, AND  
CONSULTATIONS**

Agency or Organization	Contact Address	Permit/ Approval/ Consultation a/	Anticipated Submittal	Anticipated Receipt	Project Introduction Meeting Date
<b>Federal</b>					
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission	888 First Street, NE. Washington, DC 20426.	NGA Section 7; Certificate for construction and operation of interstate natural gas pipeline.	Q4/18	12/19	4/26/18
U.S Department of the interior Bureau of Indian Affairs, Eastern Regional Office	545 Marriott Drive Suite 700. Nashville , TN 37214	Consultation regarding which tribes may have potential interest in project area or presence of traditional cultural properties, and contact tribes as appropriate	7/18	10/18	
U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), Office of Safety, Energy, and the Environment	1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590	Consultation	8/18	7/19	
U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), Office of Pipeline Safety	U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590	Consultation	10/18	7/19	
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Norfolk District	9100 Arboretum Parkway, Ste. 235, Richmond, VA 23236	Section 404 Permit for impacts on waters of the U.S., including wetlands  Section 10 Permit for activities affecting navigation (Not Anticipated)	10/18	7/19	4/24/18
USACE, Wilmington District	3331 Heritage Trade Drive, Suite 105, Wake Forest, NC 27587	Same as USACE, Huntington District	10/18	7/19	
EPA, Region 3 Water Protection Division	1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103- 2029	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) stormwater construction permit for stormwater runoff	11/18	7/19	
EPA, Region 4 Water Protection Division	Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center (SNAFC) 61 Forsyth Street SW Atlanta, GA 30303-8960	Same as EPA Region 3	2/19	7/19	

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Virginia	6669 Short Lane Gloucester, Virginia 23061	Consultation under Section 7 of ESA for potential impacts on federally protected species  Consultation regarding impacts on migratory birds  Consultation regarding impacts on fish and wildlife	5/18	7/19	
USFWS, North Carolina	"551F Pylon Drive Raleigh, NC 27606 "	Same as USFWS, Virginia	5/18	7/19	
<b>Virginia</b>					
Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF)	P.O. Box 90778, Henrico, VA 23228	Consultation regarding potential impacts to state-managed lands	6/18	11/18	
Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals, and Energy – Division of Gas and Oil	Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy 3405 Mountain Empire Road, P.O. Drawer 900 Big Stone Gap, VA 24219	Consultation	6/18	7/19	
Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)	Virginia Department of Transportation 1401 E. Broad St. Richmond, Virginia 23219	Road bonds and crossing permits	7/18	10/18	
Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR), Division of Review and Compliance (SHPO)	Department of Historic Resources 2801 Kensington Avenue Richmond, VA 23221	Consultation and clearance regarding potential impacts on pre-historic and historic resources eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places	5/18	2/19	
Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (VDCR)	600 E Main Street FL 24, Richmond, VA 23219	Consultation on potential impacts to state-listed species and habitat	4/18	10/18	
VDCR, Division of Planning and Recreation	Department of Conservation and Recreation State Parks 600 E. Main St., 24th Floor, Richmond, VA 23219	Consultation for state parks and managed lands	7/18		
VDEQ, Water Division	P.O. Box 1105 Richmond, VA 23218	Water Quality Certification for construction and operation impacts on water and wetlands	8/18	7/19	

VDEQ	P.O. Box 1105 Richmond, VA 23218	General Permit No. VAG83	10/18	7/19	4/24/18
VDEQ, Office of Environmental Impact Review	P.O. Box 1105 Richmond, VA 23218	Consultation	5/18	7/19	4/24/18
<b>North Carolina</b>					
North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ), Division of Air Quality	N.C. DEQ Air Quality 1641 Mail Service Center Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1641	Air Quality permit for air emissions	11/18	7/19	
NCDEQ, Division of Water Resources (DWR)	1611 Mail Service Center Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1611	401 Water Quality Certification for construction and operation impacts on water and wetlands	2/19	7/19	
NCDEQ, DWR	1611 Mail Service Center Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1611	Permit for Isolated/non-404 wetlands and waters	10/18	7/19	
NCDEQ, DWR	1611 Mail Service Center Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1611	Buffer authorization for Jordan Lake Watershed	8/18	7/19	
NCDEQ, DWR	1611 Mail Service Center Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1611	Registration – Hydrostatic test water source	11/19	7/19	
NCDEQ, Division of Energy, Mineral and Land Resources	N.C. DEQ Energy, Mineral and Land Resources 1612 Mail Service Center Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1612	NPDES Permit – Construction Stormwater General Permit for Oil and Gas Related Construction Activities.	10/18	7/19	
NCDEQ Division of Energy, Mineral and Land Resources	N.C. DEQ Energy, Mineral and Land Resources 1612 Mail Service Center Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1612	Erosion and Sediment Control Certificate of Approval	10/18	7/19	
North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT)	1501 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-1501	Road bonds and crossing permits	7/18	7/18	
North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources (SHPO)	4617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699-4617	Consultation and clearance regarding potential impacts on pre-historic and historic resources eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places	5/18	11/18	
North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission	1701 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1700	Consultation – State listed species	5/18	11/18	
a/ Consultations will occur continuously throughout the development of the Project.					



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**STAKEHOLDER LIST**

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Agency Contact List

Contact Name	Blank	Contact Title	Contact Organization	Address Line 1	City	Zip 1	State
Michael Regan		Secretary	Department of Environmental Quality, North Carolina				
Sheila Holman		Assistant Secretary for the Environment	Department of Environmental Quality, North Carolina				
Walter Clark		Executive Director	Department of Environmental Quality, Clean Water Management Trust Fund, North Carolina				
Mike Abraczinskas		Director	Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality, North Carolina				
Toby Vinson		Director	Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources, North Carolina				
Linda Culpepper		Director	Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Resources, North Carolina				
Susi Hamilton		Secretary	Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, North Carolina				
Kevin Cherry		Deputy Secretary	Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, North Carolina				
Susan Myers		Assistant State Archaeologist and Site Registrar	Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Office of State Archaeology, North Carolina				
Ramona Bartos		Director, Historical Resources	Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, State Historic Preservation Office, North Carolina				
Dr. Kenneth Taylor, PG		State Geologist	Geological Survey, North Carolina				
Jan Larsen		Engineering Director of Natural Gas Division	North Carolina Utilities Commission, North Carolina				
Gordon Myers		Executive Director	Wildlife Resources Commission, Division of Wildlife Management, North Carolina				
Greg Richardson		Executive Director	NC Commission of Indian Affairs, North Carolina				
Vernon Cox		Director	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Division of Soil and Water Conservation, North Carolina				
Jason D. Byrd		Supervisor	Rockingham County Soil and Water Conservation District, North Carolina				
Roy Stanley, Jr		Supervisor	Alamance County Soil and Water Conservation District, North Carolina				
Ed Finley		Chairman	NCUC, North Carolina				
Bill Gilmore		Deputy Director	NCUC, North Carolina				
Jennifer Mundt		Policy Advisor	DEQ, North Carolina				
Jeffrey Rogers		Environmental Program Planner	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Division of Consumer Protection, Office of Pesticide Services, Virginia				
Clyde Cristman		Director	Department of Conservation and Recreation, Virginia				
Jason Bullock		Director	Department of Conservation and Recreation, Natural Heritage Program, Virginia				
Bettina Sullivan		Manager	Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Env Impact Review, Virginia				
Dave Paylor		Director	Department of Environmental Quality, Virginia				
Melanie Davenport		Director	Department of Environmental Quality, Water Division, Virginia				
James Golden		Director of Operations	Department of Environmental Quality, Water Division, Virginia				
Michael Santucci		Asst Dir for Forestland Conserv	Department of Forestry, Virginia				
Michael Dowd		Director	Department of Environmental Quality, Air Division, Virginia				
John M.R. Bull		Commissioner	VA Marine Resources Commission (VMRC), Virginia				
Bob Duncan		Executive Director	Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, Virginia				
David Whitehurst		Director	Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, Bureau of Wildlife Resources, Virginia				
Julie Langan		Director and SHPO	Department of Historic Resources, Virginia				
Roger Kirchen		Director, Review and Compliance	Department of Historic Resources, Virginia				
Rick Cooper		Director	Department of Mines, Minerals, and Energy, Virginia				
Stephen C. Brich		Commissioner	Department of Transportation, Virginia				
Matthew Strickler		Secretary	Natural Resources, Virginia				
Angella Navarro		Deputy	Natural Resources, Virginia				

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Pete Benjamin		Field Supervisor	USFWS Raleigh Field Office Raleigh, NC				
Cindy Schulz		Field Supervisor	USFWS Virginia Field Office Gloucester, VA				
Colonel Robert J. Clark		Commander	Army Corps of Engineers, NC Wilmington District				
Dale Beter		Field Office Chief	Army Corps of Engineers, NC Wilmington District				
Colonel Jason E. Kelly		Commander	Army Corps of Engineers, VA Norfolk District				
Jennifer Frye		Western Section Chief	Army Corps of Engineers, VA Norfolk District				
Heather E. Campbell		Senior Policy Advisor (OEP)	Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, DC Office of Federal Programs				
Charlene D Vaughn		Assistant Director for Federal Permitting, Licensing, and Assistance Section	Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, DC Office of Federal Programs				
Chandra Pathak		Senior Policy Advisor	Army Corps of Engineers, DC Planning and Policy Division				
Brenda Mallory		Deputy General Counsel	Council on Environmental Quality, DC				
Edward "Ted" Boling		Associate Director for NEPA Oversight	Council on Environmental Quality, DC				
Stuart A. Lee		State Public Affairs and Outreach Coordinator	Natural Resources Conservation Service, NC				
Timothy A. Beard		State Conservationist	Natural Resources Conservation Service, NC				
Barbara Bowen		Public Affairs Coordinator	Natural Resources Conservation Service, VA				
John A. Bricker		State Conservationist	Natural Resources Conservation Service, VA				
Nell Fuller		National Environmental Compliance Manager	USDA, Conservation and Environmental Program Division, FSA				
Andree DeVarney		National Environmental Coordinator	USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service				
Jim Smalls		Assistant Director, NEPA	Department of Agriculture, DC - Ecosystem Management Coordination				
Steve Troxler		Secretary of Agriculture	N. C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services				
Charles Green		Acting Commissioner	Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services				
Steve Kokkinakis		NEPA Policy & Compliance	NOAA, Dept of Commerce				
Steve Leathery		National NEPA Coordinator	NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service				
David Dale		Southeast Region EFH Coordinator	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Marine Fisheries Service Habitat Conservation Division				
Virginia Fay		Office Essential Fish Habitat	NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service SE Region				
David Bernhart		Assistant Regional Administrator	NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service , Protected Resources Division, SE Region				
John Bullard		Regional Administrator	NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service , Protected Resources Division, Greater Atlantic Region				
Daniel Morris		Deputy Regional Administrator	NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service , Protected Resources Division, Greater Atlantic Region				
David Gouveia		Acting Assistant Regional Administrator (Section 7 ESA)	NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service, Protected Resources Division Northeast Regional Office				
Jordan Carduner		Fishery Biologist National NEPA Coordinator	NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service				
David O'Brien		Fisheries Biologist (Essential Fish Habitat )	NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service , Northeast Region Essential Fish Habitat				
Julia Harrison			NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Protected Resources Permits and Conservation Division				
Amy Sweeney		Director	Department of Energy, DC, Division of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities				
James M. Owendoff		Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary	Department of Energy, DC, Office of Environmental Management				
Brian Costner		Acting Director	Department of Energy, DC, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance				
Edward Pfister		Environmental Program Manager	Department of Health and Human Services, DC				
		Health Services Director	National Center for Environmental Health, Division of Emergency and Environmental				
Danielle Schopp		Director	Department of Housing and Urban Development, DC, Office of Environment and Energy				
Orbin Terry		NEPA Manager	Department of Justice, DC, Environment & Natural Resources Division				



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Alexander Yuan		Foreign Affairs Officer	Department of State, DC Bureau of Oceans & International Environmental & Scientific Affairs				
Terry L. McClung		NEPA Coordinator	Department of the Interior, DC Bureau of Indian Affairs				
Kerry Rogers		Senior NEPA Specialist	Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management				
Wilson Laney		Regional FERC Coordinator	Department of the Interior, NC Fish and Wildlife Service, North Carolina Ecological Field Services Office				
Pamela Snyder-Osmum		EMS / EMAP Program Manager	Department of the Interior, VA, Bureau of Indian Affairs				
Dr. Jill Lewandowski		Division of Environmental Assessment, Chief	Department of the Interior, VA, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management				
David Fish		Environmental Enforcement Division Acting Chief	Department of the Interior, VA, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement				
			Department of the Interior, VA, Fish and Wildlife Service, Virginia Ecological Field Services Office				
Camille Mittelholtz		Environmental Policy Team Leader	Department of Transportation, DC, Office of Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy				
Helen Serassio		Acting Assistant Chief Counsel	Department of Transportation, DC, Office of Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy				
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Interested Party Contact List

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**ATTACHMENT 5**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN**





## **MVP Southgate Project**

Project Docket No. PF18-\_\_-000

# **Public, Stakeholder, and Agency Participation Plan**

May 2018



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## 1.0 Plan Purpose

The purpose of this Public, Stakeholder and Agency Participation Plan is to identify stakeholders and potential issues related to the proposed MVP Southgate project (MVP Southgate or Project), determine appropriate and effective methods of communication with stakeholders, identify responsible parties, document the public consultation process, and adhere to communication protocols. The MVP Southgate project team is dedicated to seeking out greater involvement from the various affected groups early in the planning so that those who are interested may participate in the decision-making process. Our goal is to work with stakeholders to achieve consensus and settlements on mutually acceptable Project designs. We believe an early and more collaborative approach will lead to Project designs that minimize impacts to landowners, communities, and the environment, while enabling us to develop more comprehensive applications for submittal to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and other agencies.

## 2.0 Project Scope

As proposed, MVP Southgate is a FERC-regulated natural gas pipeline system that spans approximately 72 miles from southern Virginia into central North Carolina. MVP Southgate will be developed, constructed, and owned by Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC. EQT Midstream Partners, LP will operate the pipeline.

With a vast supply of natural gas from Marcellus and Utica shale production, the Mountain Valley Pipeline, currently under construction, will transport natural gas to markets in the Mid- and South Atlantic regions of the United States. The MVP Southgate project, as proposed, will receive gas from the Mountain Valley Pipeline mainline in Pittsylvania County, Virginia, and extend approximately 72 miles south to new delivery points with PSNC Energy in Rockingham and Alamance Counties, North Carolina. MVP Southgate would provide low-cost supply access to natural gas produced in the Marcellus and Utica shale regions – for service delivery to PSNC Energy customers, as well as existing and new end-user markets in southern Virginia and central North Carolina.

The pipeline will be governed by the Natural Gas Act, which requires a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity from the FERC before construction can commence. Subject to regulatory approvals, the pipeline is expected to be in-service during the fourth quarter 2020. As currently proposed, the pipeline will be 24 inches in diameter and will require approximately 50 feet of permanent easement, with up to 100 feet of temporary easement during construction. In addition, the project will require one compressor station with three gas-fired units that is anticipated to be located at the start of the project in Pittsylvania County, Virginia, on land owned by Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC and one booster compression station in Rockingham County, North Carolina.

## 3.0 Outreach Plan Goal

Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC (Mountain Valley) and the Project team know that stakeholder outreach and public consultation are essential elements of the permitting process and will play an important role in the overall successful development of the Project.

The Project has developed a comprehensive stakeholder list and public participation plan. The plan is built around the fundamental principle that open, honest and proactive communication is simply the right thing to do and necessary for the sound development of the Project. The Project strives to be a good neighbor and a good corporate citizen, and believes that every person, organization, and institution that might be affected by the Project has the right to be informed and should have an opportunity to participate in the decisions that might affect them.

The MVP Southgate project team, including land agents and survey crews, will participate in Public Consultation Training. This training includes appropriate communication, participation and documentation practices with stakeholders.

The Project team will also be trained in appropriate research methods about determining property ownership and legal descriptions. They will receive training on landowner negotiations, including effective listening skills. These skills are a fundamental part of the communication process between stakeholder and agent.

### Examples of FERC Key Stages and other information to be communicated:

- Pre-filing Request
- Open Houses
- Draft Resource Reports and Alternatives
- Monthly Status Reports
- FERC issues Notice of Intent
- Draft Resource Reports
- FERC Scoping Meetings
- Responses to Scoping Comments
- File Application
- Data Requests & Responses
- Supplemental information
- Commission Order
- Construction
- In-service

## 4.0 Outreach and Public Participation Plan

It is the Project's objective to ensure that all potential Federal, state and community stakeholders are informed of our intentions relative to the proposed Project in a timely manner. The Public, Stakeholder, and Agency Participation Plan, herein outlined, has the following objectives:

- *Identify all key stakeholders along the proposed pipeline route.* While landowners are the most obvious and directly affected stakeholders, many additional individuals and organizations along the proposed route may have a stake in the Project. Identifying and engaging them is important to the success of the Project.
- *Establish channels for two-way communication throughout the life of the Project.* Mountain Valley realizes that effective communication must be two-way. In addition to sharing information, the Project's outreach effort is designed to create a continuing dialogue with stakeholders, from the start of the pre-filing process through construction, restoration, and operation. It is also designed to provide stakeholders with a central point of contact to maintain ease of communication and ensure consistency of messaging.
- *Ask for public input at critical stages of planning.* Mountain Valley believes that the Project is a partnership not only with the commercial partners, but with all stakeholders. With that idea in mind, the MVP Southgate team will seek to gain input and ideas from stakeholders during the planning and pre-filing process. This will help identify and address areas of concern. The Project will hold several open houses at locations convenient to affected stakeholders along the proposed MVP Southgate route. These open house events will initiate the open-dialogue process with our community members. The MVP Southgate open houses and other activities outlined

herein, will serve as opportunities for the public to learn about the Project and for the MVP Southgate team to listen to concerns of affected stakeholders.



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- *Keep stakeholders informed throughout the process.* Early and timely communication with all stakeholders is essential to the Project's success. The Project is committed to proactively communicate, through the use of via website updates and other methods, during all phases of the Project, even after all approvals have been received. Many outreach plans are designed to communicated effectively during early stages of implementation – especially during the approval state – but then reduce communication during construction. While communication about the Project will certainly be heaviest early in the process, the Project team plans to proactively communicate, via website updates and other methods, during all phases of the Project, even after all approvals have been received.
- *Engage local resources.* To gain insight into public perceptions along the route and to improve the credibility of the Project, the MVP Southgate team has retained community involvement specialists, who are very familiar with and knowledgeable about the local area, to supplement the efforts of the Project team. These specialists will arrange community meetings and other necessary meetings between the Project and stakeholders. Additionally, they will serve as the “eyes and ears” of the Project, helping to identify growing areas of concern, potential issues, and misinformation.

### 5.0 Stakeholder Identification

Mountain Valley will focus its efforts on reaching the following audiences:

- Landowners
- Local elected officials
  - Mayors, city councils, boards of supervisors
  - County commissioners
  - County and municipal planning organizations
  - Zoning boards, etc.
- State elected officials
  - State senators (local area staff)
  - State congressmen (local area staff)
- Federal elected officials
  - U.S. Senators (local area staff)
  - U.S. Congressmen (local area staff)
- Federal, state, and local regulatory agencies
- Native American Tribes
- Economic development agencies/chambers of commerce
- Owners of mineral rights, such as coal companies
- Local law enforcement agencies
- Local emergency services (fire departments, ambulatory)
- Local media outlets
- Environmental Non-governmental organizations
- Community at large

The status of contacts made to-date with Federal and state agencies, local elected officials and municipal planning agencies can be found in the Project's request to initiate the pre-filing process with the FERC.

#### Agencies

In April 2018, the Project team made phone calls to all permitting agencies that require consultation of the projects plan to use the FERC pre-filing process and invited them to participate in the pre-filing process. Additionally, the Project team sent written correspondence to many of the aforementioned agencies requiring consultation that included a formalized invitation to participate in the FERC pre-filing process, a



basic project overview, and a point of contact for the project.

The Project team remains committed to working with Federal and state agencies. In the spirit of two-way engagement, the Project team is responding, and will continue to respond, to requests for information from these agencies in a timely manner. During the initial contacts, a specific line of communication was established between the agency personnel and Project staff. This line of communication will be utilized as confirmation to better understand agency requests and reaffirm agency receipts of requested information.

### Other Stakeholders

Within 14 days of the Director's Notice, MVP Southgate will contact all stakeholders not already informed about the Project, including any affected landowners (as that term is defined by 18 CFR Section 157.6(d)(2)). In areas where notifying a larger group may be necessary, the Project will expand the mailing list to include landowners that may fall outside the requirements stated in 18 CFR Section 157.6(d)(2). Many of these stakeholders will have already been contacted, but it is the Project's goal to provide all stakeholders – including those with who we have been in contact – the same information at the same time. The letter will describe the Project and provide updated information and inform stakeholders of the pre-filing process timeline and invite them to open houses.

### Stakeholder Outreach Activities

Mountain Valley will employ the following methods to ensure successful communication and outreach, including:

*Stakeholder Identification and Issues Management & Database Tracking System:* After identifying stakeholders, the Project will develop and maintain an issues management system to track contact with these stakeholders in a manner that helps identify address and resolve emerging issues and concerns.

*Information Materials:* The Project will develop messages and materials to inform stakeholders about the MVP Southgate project and to address potential questions and areas of concern. These materials will include, for example:

- A project overview fact sheet
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)
- “Standard presentation” information posters, etc. for use at Open Houses and other meetings
- Internal project guidance concerning key messages about MVP Southgate to ensure consistency in communication
- Media advisories to announce public meetings and other Project updates
- Project newsletter to be physically mailed directly to affected landowners and other stakeholders 3-4 times per year and made available online via the Project website
- Project website that will include all the above, as well as maps of the proposed pipeline route

*Media Relations:* Keeping the media appropriately informed helps minimize the potential for misunderstanding and allows the Project to inform all stakeholders while reducing inaccurate information. Messages and materials about MVP Southgate will be refined throughout the development effort to contain updated information and to address stakeholder concerns that may arise. In addition, materials will contain the following information:

- Purpose and Need of the Project
- Information on Mountain Valley
- Information on environmental and other benefits of natural gas
- Discussion of today's energy market and the need for expanded natural gas infrastructure
- FERC background information – The role of the FERC and other regulatory agencies in the process,



and an overview of the pre-filing and filing processes

- Information on construction, including the types and sizes of equipment used
- Information on environmental activities conducted throughout the project, including pre- construction environmental surveys, measures during construction to minimize impact on environmental resources including agricultural resources, restoration, and post-construction monitoring
- Safety information – A discussion of pre- and post-construction safety, and an overview of the safety record of the interstate natural gas pipeline industry and of the Project’s affiliates
- A Project time line – An intended time frame for completing key phases of the MVP Southgate project

*Training:* A significant component of the outreach and communication team’s effort is focused on training the Project team. The goal of the training effort is to familiarize all personnel who participate in the Project - both home office and field staff, including sub-contractors - of the MVP Southgate outreach and public participation plan and to provide specific modules of training – including those developed by INGAA/IRWA for those personnel and contractors who will interface with the public. Project staff receiving training includes all Project personnel and all contractors involved in field engineering, siting and survey, permitting and environmental impact mitigation, land acquisition, operations, property-owner relations, and government affairs. The Project’s guiding principle is to train each individual shortly after retention for the Project or before the individual engages in his or her designated role.

*Website:* Because of its accessibility and the ability to be constantly updated, online communications will play a vital role in stakeholder dialogue. In addition to serving as a repository for up-to- date materials and information, the MVP Southgate website will feature mechanisms for stakeholders to ask questions and provide input about the Project. During the coming weeks, the MVP Southgate website<sup>1</sup> will be updated to contain the following:

- A narrative and graphic overview of the MVP Southgate project
- A downloadable map of the entire proposed route
- Downloadable detailed maps of the proposed route through each of the counties
- Downloadable project fact sheet about the MVP Southgate project
- FAQs and answers, collected during outreach meetings, arranged by topic
- FERC Information, including an overview of FERC’s role and where the MVP Southgate project is at in the FERC process
- Information on public open houses
- Information on FERC scoping meetings
- Newsroom (Project announcements, press releases, media advisories)
- Typical pipeline construction sequence
- How natural gas pipelines work
- Information on pipeline safety
- Additional contact information/project hotline
- Information for suppliers interested in potential business service opportunities related to the Project
- Information on post-construction use of heavy equipment in crossing the right-of-way

*Direct Contact Outreach:* Mountain Valley will utilize direct contact, either in-person, by phone, or correspondence (e-mail and letter) with stakeholders throughout the Project, as appropriate. The Project will notify landowners affected by the Project as required by FERC’s regulations. For example, direct contact by Project right-of-way representatives is a necessity in communicating with affected landowners. Direct contact with agencies has already been initiated by Project environmental staff and continued with

<sup>1</sup> All features of the proposed MVP Southgate website may not be available at the time of pre-filing due to ongoing refinement of route details, commercial agreement negotiations, events and activities set for future dates,



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pre-filing/pre-application agency scoping meetings. The communications staff will be responsible for contact with key elected officials (county commissioners, state and Federal senators and representatives) along the proposed route. Direct contact will allow the Project to respond in a timely fashion to all inquiries from any agency, federal, state, or local authorities. Other stakeholders, including environmental organizations, economic development councils, and the news media will be contacted directly as appropriate to inform those stakeholders of the status of the Project.

*Open Houses:* During June/July 2018, Mountain Valley plans to conduct three community open houses at various locations in the project area. MVP Southgate’s community open houses will be in addition to the FERC scoping meetings. A formal presentation will not be given during these open houses. However, attendees will have direct, one-on-one access to members of the Project team who will listen to stakeholder ideas and concerns and answer questions about the Project. The Project plans to use an “information station” open house format with topic-specific stations covering possible concerns and potential solutions. The stations will include rights-of-way, environmental, construction, engineering, etc. as well as a station dedicated specifically for FERC personnel. Each station will contain information pertinent to that area of project responsibility, presented both in larger visual aids and/or in handout form and will be manned by Project team members knowledgeable of the subject presented. This will allow attendees arriving at different times to circulate among the stations and gather information in a more personal and relaxed fashion. Land agents will be present at the open houses to review the proposed route and to answer any specific landowner concerns.

The Project will utilize GIS software as a means of highlighting the proximity of the MVP Southgate route to individual landowners’ properties, businesses, farms, neighbors, etc. Stakeholders will be notified and invited, both directly via invitations sent by U.S. mail, and indirectly through the media and the MVP Southgate website open house schedule when finalized.

Locations of the open houses will be determined and selected based on their proximity to the Project route and meeting room capacity, with intent to be as convenient as possible to the majority of landowners along the route. A list of tentative dates and locations are provided in the table below:

<b>Project Open House Meetings – MVP Southgate Project</b>	
<b>Proposed Date</b>	<b>Proposed Location</b>
June/July 2018	Pittsylvania County, VA
June/July 2018	Rockingham County, NC
June/July 2018	Alamance County, NC

*Scoping Meetings:* The FERC may conduct scoping meetings in the Project area. The Project will participate in those scoping meetings, as well as in meetings with Federal, State, and local resource agencies.

*Project Contact Information:* The Project will maintain and monitor a toll-free phone number, e-mail address, and postal mailing address that will enable stakeholders to obtain additional Project information and provide input. This information will be printed on all materials and included on the Project website and will include a point of contact for stakeholder inquiries.





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In summary, the Project understands that Stakeholder Outreach does not stop at submittal of the application or possible receipt of a certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity but is an ongoing commitment to keeping the public at-large, affected landowners, the market, and other interested parties informed of the Project status. The Project will seek to continue the relationships and dialogue built during these crucial early stages of public interaction.

### Communications Milestones

- April 2018 to present – Initial communications with agencies and stakeholders
- April 2018 – MVP Southgate project website live and online
- April 2018 – Landowner welcome packet to introduce MVP Southgate
- Projected May 2018 – FERC accepts MVP Southgate into Pre-filing Process
- Projected May 2018 – Additional informational letter to stakeholders; open house invitations; print media outreach
- Projected June/July 2018 – Community open houses
- Projected August 2018 – MVP Southgate first newsletter
- Projected Fourth Quarter 2018 – File Certificate Application

### Communication Vehicles

- Briefing materials for elected officials
- Website: [www.mvpsouthgate.com](http://www.mvpsouthgate.com)
- Toll-free hotline: 833-MV-SOUTH
- Email: [mail@mvpsouthgate.com](mailto:mail@mvpsouthgate.com)
- Community open houses
- Site visits
- Maps for stakeholders to view (hard copy and electronic versions)
- High-level maps for general distribution
- Regular mailings to engage stakeholders without internet access and locations set up to review voluminous Project info
- Newspaper advertorials as needed
- Media interviews, including TV, radio, newspapers, to produce ongoing public stories and articles regarding updates on the MVP Southgate project

### FERC Landowner Assistance

The FERC landowner helpline via telephone is toll-free at 1-877-337-2237 and via email address is [LandownerHelp@FERC.gov](mailto:LandownerHelp@FERC.gov)

### MVP Southgate Landowner Resolution Process

In the early stages of the Project's planning and development, MVP Southgate established a protocol to address landowner concerns and answer questions. The protocol utilizes MVP Southgate's toll-free phone line (833-MV-SOUTH) and/or email submission to [mail@mvpsouthgate.com](mailto:mail@mvpsouthgate.com) and this same protocol will be utilized during the construction phase as well. These communication portals were created as a means for landowners, as well as community members, to contact Project representatives with questions, concerns, and issues. MVP Southgate also keeps a formal record of all calls and emails received in order to effectively track inquiries and resolutions. The three-step process is as follows:

#### *Step 1: Gather Information*

- MVP Southgate project representative will request all necessary information to complete the information section of the Inquiry/Issues Tracking Log, including the individual's name, address, parcel number, phone number, and Project reference. Additionally, any details offered regarding the purpose of the call will be entered on the Tracking Log.




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**Step 2: Define the Inquiry/Issue**

- MVP Southgate project representative will work with the individual to help understand and address their concerns. If the representative can resolve the issue, they will record this on the Tracking Log. Otherwise, the individual will be advised that their concerns have been documented and that they can generally expect a return call within three business days from an MVP Southgate project representative. The questions/concerns/issues as documented on the Tracking Log will then be directed to the appropriate right-of-way agent.

**Step 3: Resolution**

- If the issues are resolved during Step 2, the MVP Southgate representative will complete the process by documenting how a resolution was reached for the Tracking Log. If a resolution is not reached during Step 2, the Tracking Log is forwarded to the appropriate right-of-way agent who will return the call and also update the Tracking Log with the resolution. The delegation of the issue should generally follow this progression until resolution is reached. If a right-of-way agent receives a direct phone call relating to environmental, construction, or non- right-of-way issues from a landowner during pre-construction, construction, or post-construction activities, the agent will request all necessary information (as outlined in Step 1) and will initiate submission of the information on the Inquiry/Issues Tracking Log. The agent will then proceed to Steps 2 and 3 until a resolution is reached. After working with the MVP Southgate project representative and appropriate right-of-way agent, if the landowner is still not completely satisfied with the resolution, the individual should contact the Commission's Landowner Helpline at (877) 337-2237, or by email, [LandownerHelp@FERC.gov](mailto:LandownerHelp@FERC.gov).

**MVP Southgate Formal Application – Public Locations for Viewing**

When the formal application from MVP Southgate is filed with the FERC, it will be sent to a public location in each county in Virginia and North Carolina. The list below identifies the locations in each county where the public can review a hard copy and/or a digital copy (depending on the preference of the library or county building).

County	Name	Address
Pittsylvania		
Rockingham		
Alamance		

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