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Chairman Norman C. Bay
Commissioner Cheryl A. LaFleur
Commissioner Colette D. Honorable
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First St NE
Washington, DC 20426

January 5, 2017

RE: Rover Pipeline LLC
Docket No. CP15-93-000
Request for Immediate Commission Action

Dear Chairman Bay and Commissioners,

On behalf of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, the Laborers International Union of North America, the United Association, and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, we write to you regarding the Commission's ongoing review of the Rover Pipeline and we ask the Commission to immediately issue the certificate. This project is a 713-mile pipeline designed to transport domestically produced natural gas from processing plants in West Virginia, Ohio, and Pennsylvania to regional markets. As such, Rover will fill a critical gap in the region's energy infrastructure system.

Equally as important are the thousands of jobs that Rover will create. The construction process will generate as many as 12,000 positions for tradesmen and women. Opportunities of this nature are truly the lifeblood for our members, allowing them to earn a living and thereby support their families.

Our organizations, local unions and their signatory employers co-sponsor joint apprenticeship and training programs that train in all aspects of pipeline work throughout the United States to the highest current and up to date standards. All training emphasizes safety and protection of the environment.

Nearly a year ago, we sent you a letter from our General Presidents urging an expedient review of the Rover Pipeline. Since that time, FERC has held five public meetings on the draft environmental impact statement, taken into account a broad array of public feedback, consulted a range of experts, and issued the project's final environmental impact statement.

Meanwhile, the company has undertaken an enormous amount of preparation, arranging construction contracts and securing for components all along the pipeline route. From our understanding, the project has been deemed to have no adverse impacts on the environment. And yet, the Commission has still not granted Rover's approval.

While Rover awaits final approval from FERC, so too do our members wait for the opportunity to put this training to good use and earn income. Simply put, many union members depend on opportunities like those that Rover will provide. During this period of extended review, they are unable to provide for their own welfare and that of their families.

We reiterate the previous letter's sentiment in encouraging the Commission to approve the Rover Pipeline in an expeditious manner. It's time for FERC to finish its work on Rover so that our members can get to work on this vital infrastructure project.

Sincerely,



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