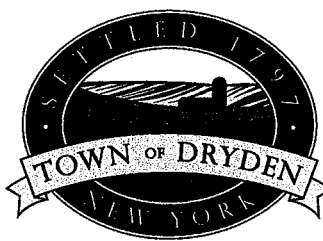


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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
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Re: Docket # CP14-497-000

Dear Secretary Bose:

I write to you today based on concerns I have heard from my constituents, regarding the variance request and Notice to Proceed submitted on January 24, 2017, by Dominion Transmission, Inc. for their New Market Project. The variance request would apply to the Borger Compressor Station located at 219 Ellis Hollow Creek Road, Ithaca, NY, in the Town of Dryden.

It has come to my attention that this site and proposed variance may impact wetlands and waterways in the vicinity in violation of the 50-foot buffer required by Wetland and Waterbody Construction and Mitigation Procedures. It has been alleged that Dominion's Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SPPP) appears to have inaccurately concluded that these wetlands and waterways at issue are located outside of the proposed Limit of Disturbance (LOD).

My constituents have provided mapping that alleges inaccuracies in Dominion's SPPP. This mapping appears to show that the SPPP failed to identify protected wetlands and several areas of contamination that were not cleaned up to New York State state standards, and also shows that the maps Dominion provided in its request do not match tax parcel boundaries and failed to delineate important adjacent water bodies. If true, Dominion's documentation is fundamentally flawed and the SPPP issued by New York's Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) should be rescinded until the information provided by Dominion is compared to the information provided by my constituents.

If, after careful review, there are any inaccuracies discovered, then Dominion must be required to revise their SPPP plan to address the inaccuracies as well as address any pollution concerns. If this requires Dominion to cleanup the spills prior to breaking ground on this project, then Dominion should be made to cleanup the spills. The Town of Dryden contains many important tributaries that feed into Cayuga Lake, including Cascadilla Creek, which is near the Borger Station site, feeds into Cayuga Lake, which and is a major drinking water source for many people in Dryden and in the surrounding region.

Based on these alleged significant shortcomings, I request that FERC deny the variances requested by Dominion Transmission, Inc. for their New Market Project and withhold further approvals for the proposed project until the data submitted by Dominion can be compared to the data submitted by my constituents. I also request that FERC require an updated and improved SPPP for this proposed project to address the significant inaccuracies within the initial SPPP plan and supporting documents.

Thanks you for your consideration of this important request.

Sincerely,

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