



Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe

Tribal Historic Preservation Office

Environmental Review Comments

October 20, 2014

Kimberly Bose
Secretary
F.E.R.C.
888 First St.N.E.,
Washington, D.C. 20426

RE: Project Docket Number (PF 14-22-000) Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co., LLC
Proposed N.E. Energy Direct Project

Dear Kimberly Bose,

The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe's Historic Preservation Office acknowledges the importance of timely consultations and the clear need to set precedence with regards to our expectations in the protection of cultural resources through consultation. It is important to establish protocol and procedures to follow in these pragmatic consultations with Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC (Kinder Morgan Company) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commissions' oversight of the tribes involved in this Section 106 "Undertaking".

We have several concerns with the project moving forward, and encourage a meeting with Michael Letson to discuss our involvement in all Gas pipeline projects classified as federal undertakings. Our primary concerns at this time are focused on the protocol procedures as defined in the Draft Unanticipated Discoveries Plan. Issues that seem to warrant discussions in order to clearly delineate the roles of consulting parties in regard to potential unanticipated findings and the notification process as well as monitoring of possible sites/burials. It suggests that all oversight and determination of significant sites is being delegated to the proponent which is unacceptable.

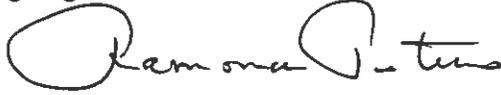
We welcome a F.E.R.C. representative's presence at a future meeting, to discuss the required sequence in which notification and response letters are expected.

The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe's historic preservation department is dedicated to protecting Native American burials and remains first and foremost. We require monitoring of all ground disturbances as they relate to archaeological assessments, surveys, reconnaissance and recoveries whether terrestrial or marine in the future.

Our Office encourages sitting down with all parties involved in this process to clarify and rectify protocol procedures with regard to the Draft Unanticipated Discoveries Plan and our involvement in the mandated review process.

In closing, we look forward to meeting with the proponents to resolve these issues as soon as possible so that the project remains on schedule. I'd be happy to respond to any further questions or concerns that you may have regarding this project.

In Thanksgiving,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ramona Peters". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "R".

Mashpee Wampanoag THPO

Cc: Brona Simon, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, SHPO
Jim Peters, Commission on Indian Affairs
Greg Dubell, PAL
Eric Tomasi, FERC
Michael Letson, Kinder Morgan