



Dominion Transmission, Inc.

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

**Re: Dominion Transmission, Inc.
Storage Factory Project
PF07-12-000
Monthly Status Report**

Dear Secretary Bose:

On July 5, 2007, the Commission issued an Approval of the Pre-Filing Process Request for Dominion Transmission, Inc.'s (DTI) Storage Factory Project and the associated National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review process, as filed under the above referenced docket.

Pursuant to Section 157.21(f)(6) of the Commission's regulations, DTI hereby submits the monthly status report for **January 2008**.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 804-819-2878.

Respectfully submitted,

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The following monthly status report summarizes the activities for the Storage Factory Project for the month of **January 2008**.

I. Public Outreach and Stakeholder Communications

A. Right-of-Way Coordination

- Continued to meet with affected landowners along the routes of the proposed pipeline facilities to discuss any special construction conditions.
- Continued to meet with affected landowners to discuss easement acquisition in those locations where DTI does not presently hold easements.
- Contacted alternate water source landowner.
- DTI reached a final agreement with the adjacent landowner to secure an easement for the suction and discharge pipelines, an access road, and a site for the PL-1 tap. Stream and wetland crossings are avoided. The entire project site was field studied by Hatch Energy.

II. Engineering

A. Project Details

- Continued with preliminary engineering for salt cavern storage and leaching facilities design as necessary to define FERC related issues for project pre-filing (i.e., line sizing, route planning, emissions and noise equipment identification, etc.).
- DTI continued working with landowners that could be affected with an alternate water source option. Hatch continued working on a well test plan to submit to SRBC. SRBC was updated on current status of alternate water source work to date.
- Continued with preliminary design of brine processing facility, including wet side and dry side plant design layout refinement, process identification, and main plant equipment listing in preparation to move into detailed design phase. Preparing to move into final engineering phase with design.
- Continued preliminary engineering work related to proposed Middletown compressor station and upcoming FERC scoping meeting

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including placement of initial noise design parameters and potential tap site on concept plan.

- Held meeting with Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) to discuss air application time line and relative project environmental permitting issues.

B. Surveys

- Preliminary surveys and route selection has been completed for all salt storage and leaching facilities piping as necessary to accommodate completion of field environmental studies. Phase I storage well site survey work and mapping also is complete.
- Completed remaining survey environmental field studies at the Middletown station site. Completed surveys/field environmental studies for this pipeline corridor.
- Completed drawings for alternate water source locations in preparation for field surveys once agreements are in place with landowners.

III. Environmental

A. Project Details

- Work continued interfacing with Engineering, studies, and evaluations for inclusion in preparation of all Resource Reports for the Project.
- Preparation of the draft Resource Reports was continued, and updating of initial working draft copies distributed for internal DTI review and comment for a majority of the reports continued.
- Work continued on interfacing with all Regulatory Agencies and in arranging and attending meetings identified in Section IV. Met with the Maryland Department of Environment permitting staff and the Corps of Engineers for an initial pre-application meeting on January 17, 2008.
- Work continued on coordination of detailed alignment drawings with the addition of the Middletown, Maryland Compressor Station.
- Additional wetland surveys were carried out on the Middletown, Maryland Compressor Station site on January 16, 2008, to better delineate the border of a nearby wetland and stream course. The boundaries were flagged so that surveyors can precisely determine the boundaries in relation to proposed project facilities.

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- Draft wetland delineation and Phase 1 cultural resources reports were completed for the Middletown Compressor Station site. The draft wetlands report was provided to Maryland Department of Environment and Corps of Engineers staff at the January 17, 2008 meeting.
- Investigation into an alternative source of freshwater for the Project continued. Follow-up contacts with landowners in the vicinity of the possible well locations were continued in order to arrange with landowners an agreeable location for test wells that, if successful, would become permanent sources. A test well program is being developed.
- Minutes for the December 19, 2007 field site visit and meeting for Jurisdictional Determination (confirmation of wetland delineations) were distributed to Dr. Tom Pluto of the Corps of Engineers and to Mr. John Ryder of the PA Department of Environmental Protection.
- Work on the preparation of Federal and State permit applications was continued.
- The Mid State Trail Association was contacted on January 4, 2008 regarding possible trail sections that may be located within the planned project area. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was also contacted on January 9, 2008, to obtain recreational use information for the Cowanesque Reservoir. The Corps provided the requested information on January 16, 2008.
- Phase I archeological survey reports for both the Pennsylvania and Maryland portions of the project were distributed to the Pennsylvania Historical Museum Commission and the Maryland Historical Trust.
- Consultations were initiated with the Maryland Historical Trust regarding historical properties that may occur in the vicinity of the Maryland Compressor Station site.

B. Surveys and Field Work

- Follow-up wetlands field studies occurred at the Middletown Compressor Station site in Maryland on January 16, 2008, to precisely mark the boundaries of nearby wetlands and the stream course.
- A scope of work was developed for a follow-up historical/architectural resource survey for the Middletown site. This survey will be completed during February, and an addendum to the Phase I archeological survey report will be issued that summarizes the findings.

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IV. Agency Meetings/Correspondence

- A pre-application meeting was held with the Maryland Department of Environment and the Corps of Engineers staff to review permitting/approval requirements for the planned Middletown Compressor Station, on January 17, 2008.
- A Notice of Intent was issued by FERC on January 18, 2008 covering project revisions, including the addition of the Middletown site and the freshwater well supply alternative to the PA portion of the Project. A follow-up site visit/scoping meeting is scheduled for February 6, 2008 at the Middletown Middle School.
- A meeting with Jan Gardner, President of Frederick County Commissioners, was held on January 9, 2008 to discuss the proposed Middletown Compressor Station.
- A meeting with Laurie Boyer, Executive Director, Frederick County Economic Development, and staff was held on January 9, 2008 to discuss the proposed Middletown Compressor Station.

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