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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 **March 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 **March 2008**.

**I. Public Outreach and Stakeholder Communications**

**A. Right-of-Way Coordination**

**MIDDLETOWN COMPRESSOR STATION**

- 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.

**TIOGA COUNTY FACILITIES**

- Continued discussions with alternate water source landowner.

**B. Public Communications**

**MIDDLETOWN COMPRESSOR STATION**

- DTI is currently investigating reasonable and feasible technical and locational alternatives to the proposed natural gas compressor station at the Middletown Site.
- DTI continued to discuss the Middletown Site and proposed Compressor Station with the members of the public, the press, and representatives of the Frederick County Government.
- Approximately 8 written comments were submitted to FERC this month.

**II. Engineering**

**A. Project Details**

**MIDDLETOWN COMPRESSOR STATION**

- Results of a refined hydraulic study performed by DTI's Facility Planning supported an expanded search for alternate sites beyond the limits of the original recommended corridor. The expanded limits included several alternatives that are adjacent to industrial sites, an element that was missing from the original search limits. Two of the sites are completely removed from the Rural Legacy Program boundaries. Engineering & Field Operations investigated three alternative sites to determine viability in meeting the project objectives and DTI is now focusing its efforts on the most viable alternative site.

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- Completed review of FERC scoping meeting comment responses and FERC data requests.

#### **TIOGA COUNTY FACILITIES**

- Continued with 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.
- 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.

#### **B. Surveys**

##### **MIDDLETOWN COMPRESSOR STATION**

- Completed Preliminary Phase. Further engineering related survey work is on hold pending alternative site review.

##### **TIOGA COUNTY FACILITIES**

- 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.

### **III. Environmental**

#### **A. Project Details**

##### **MIDDLETOWN COMPRESSOR STATION**

- 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 on the preparation of federal and state permit applications was continued.

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- Work continued on responses to the comments and concerns of citizens expressed at the FERC Scoping Meeting and the written comments submitted to FERC.
- Architectural and metal detector surveys were initiated, to address historical concerns on the Marker Road Site as recommended in correspondence from the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT).

#### **TIOGA COUNTY FACILITIES**

- 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 was also continued.
- Work on the preparation of Federal and State permit applications was continued. Of particular significance are the PADEP Air Emissions Permit; the COE/PADEP Joint Permit; and the PADEP NPDES Permit. The NPDES Permit includes the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan during construction, and a Stormwater Management Plan for certain facilities during operation. Work continued on both of the above Plans during March.
- 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. Work continued on developing a test well program.

#### **B. Surveys and Field Work**

##### **MIDDLETOWN COMPRESSOR STATION**

- Field work for the architectural survey and the metal detector survey were completed in March for the Marker Road site. The results of the metal detector survey and additional description of the Civil War history of the area were drafted as part of a revised Phase I archaeological survey report that will address MHT comments on the initial Phase I report. The results of the architectural survey will be prepared as a separate report.

##### **TIOGA COUNTY FACILITIES**

- No surveys or field work was carried out in March. Once the alternative water well sites are identified, field surveys (wetlands and cultural resources) will be conducted on the sites.

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**IV. Agency Meetings/Correspondence**

**MIDDLETOWN COMPRESSOR STATION**

- No Agency meetings were held in March.
  
- Additional consultations will likely be required with MHT, to discuss the results of the architectural survey and plans for a photo simulation study that will assess the visual effects of the proposed station on nearby historic properties.

**TIOGA COUNTY FACILITIES**

- No agency meetings were held in March.
  
- A conference call was held on March 27, 2008 with PADEP, DTI, and DTI's consultant to discuss progress on the Project to date.
  
- A meeting with PADEP to review the draft Joint Permit Application is planned for late April.