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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426

RE: Docket No. CP 15-138-000

Dear Commissioners:

Lancaster Farmland Trust respectfully requests that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission reject the request from Transco to expedite the decision on the Atlantic Sunrise Project. According to the latest proposed route, the Atlantic Sunrise pipeline will traverse six properties on which Lancaster Farmland Trust holds conservation easements.

Many questions regarding the proposed route and the environmental impact of the pipeline on these – as well as other – properties still exist. The Final Draft Environmental Statement fails to address the impact of this project on the conservation value of lands protected by conservation easements. An expedited decision will not allow a full consideration and discussion of this and other critically important aspects of the FEIS.

Given the failure of the FEIS to consider the impact on protected land, as well as other errors and omissions that have been raised by numerous individuals and organizations – Lancaster Farmland Trust urges the Commissioners to take whatever time is necessary to carefully and thoughtfully consider all matters before issuing a certificate of public convenience and necessity.

The Atlantic Sunrise Project is complex and the issues surrounding it are complicated. Rushing to judgment will benefit no one except the stockholders of Transco and has the potential to cause grave harm to our environment, our farms and our communities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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