FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

<u>In Reply Refer To</u>: OEP/DG2E/Gas 2 Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC Regional Energy Access Expansion Docket No. CP21-94-000

March 16, 2023

VIA FERC Service

Joseph Dean Manager, Permitting – Major Projects Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC 2800 Post Oak Boulevard (77056) P.O. Box 1396 Houston, Texas 77251-1396

Re: Notice to Proceed with Construction - Tree Felling

Dear Mr. Dean:

I grant your February 14, 2023 request for Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC (Transco) to commence tree felling construction activities for the Regional Energy Access Expansion in Luzerne and Monroe counties, Pennsylvania and Gloucester and Somerset counties, New Jersey. This authorization is based on our review of Transco's Implementation Plan, filed January 17, 2023, along with your supplemental filings on February 14, 2023 and February 22, 2023. These filings included the information necessary to meet all pre-construction conditions of the Commission's January 11, 2023 Order Issuing Certificate and Approving Abandonment (Order) issued to Transco in the above referenced docket. In addition, we have confirmed the receipt of all federal authorizations necessary for the project.

Further, I approve your February 14, 2023 variance request to conduct tree felling activities on Sundays during the month of March 2023. Transco's February 22, 2023 supplement confirms that landowners will be notified prior to tree felling and that Transco will exclude Sunday tree felling at Compressor Stations 201, 505, or 515, and within 0.25-mile of residences and places of worship. We find your variance request is in compliance with Environmental Condition No. 1 of the Order in the above-referenced docket.

I remind you that Transco must comply with all applicable remaining terms and conditions of the Order. If you have any questions, please call Joanne Wachholder, Environmental Project Manager, at (202) 502-8056.

Sincerely,

A. Eric Howard, Chief Gas Branch 2 Division of Gas – Environment and Engineering