



December 31, 2008

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E.; Room 1A
Washington, DC 20426

Attention: Gas Branch 2; PJ11.2

RE: Formal Request pursuant to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
("FERC") Final Environmental Impact Statement ("FEIS") for AES Sparrows
Point LNG, LLC and Mid-Atlantic Express, LLC
Docket Numbers CP07-62, CP07-63, CP07-64 and CP07-65

Dear Honorable Secretary Bose:

We represent the Brandywine Conservancy, a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation to which many landowners in Chester County have donated conservation easements. I write on behalf of the Conservancy and those landowners, who are very concerned about the project. The project would directly and adversely affect seven linear miles of land currently under conservation easements held by the Conservancy and indirectly affect countless square miles of land under either State or Federal protection.

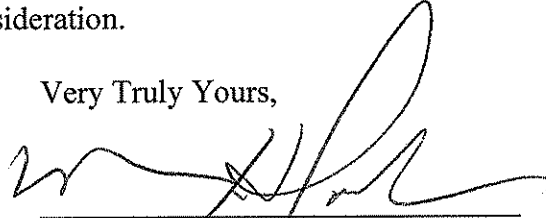
The above referenced FEIS, issued on December 5, 2008, consists of over 2,000 pages, yet interested parties were offered only 30 days to respond. The purpose of this letter is to request the following relief:

1. that FERC extend the comment period for the FEIS to 90 days;
2. that FERC hold public hearings on the FEIS in each jurisdiction affected by the gas pipeline;
3. that FERC secure all necessary regulatory review and approvals before issuing a certificate; and
4. if FERC does issue a conditional certificate, that any construction pursuant to it shall be conditioned upon the grant of all Federal, state and local permits and approvals are granted.

As you will see in the attached letters, we have contacted Senators Specter and Casey from Pennsylvania to enlist their support for this initiative.

If you would like additional information about the Brandywine Conservancy or about this matter in general, please do not hesitate to contact me or Sherri Evans-Stanton, Director of the Environmental Management Center for the Brandywine Conservancy at (610) 388-8393. Thank you for your consideration.

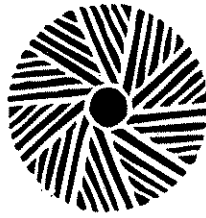
Very Truly Yours,



William H. Lamb, Esquire

Cc: George A. Weymouth, Chairman of the Board of Trustees
Wendell Fenton, President of the Board of Trustees
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December 22, 2008

Senator Arlen Specter
600 Arch Street, Suite 9400
Philadelphia, PA 19106

Re: Sparrows Point AES/Mid-Atlantic Pipeline Project

Dear Senator Specter:

I am writing this letter to follow-up on your conversation with Bill Lamb of the West Chester law firm of Lamb McErlane PC which we have retained to represent us in connection with this project. As you know, AES/Mid-Atlantic has proposed an 88-mile gas pipeline project which will connect AES's new Sparrows Point LNG Terminal in Baltimore with three interstate natural gas pipelines near Eagle, Pennsylvania. We are extremely concerned about this project and greatly appreciate your interest in assisting us. The proposed pipeline would cut through seven (7) linear miles of lands protected by conservation easements donated to the Brandywine Conservancy. The proposed new pipeline's permanent and construction right-of-ways would adversely impact the agricultural and natural resources that these easements were designed to protect in perpetuity.

Motions to intervene in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approval for this project have been filed on behalf of both the Brandywine Conservancy and a coalition of our landowners. The FERC is expediting the approval process on this project without appropriate public hearings and with incomplete information. For example, numerous required federal, state, and local permits, certifications, letters of recommendation, plans, programs, and reviews have not been registered, filed, approved, or entered with FERC. FERC published for review a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) on December 5, 2008. The FEIS is comprised of over 2,000 pages and parties have been afforded only 30 days to respond. **Final approval of this pipeline could be forthcoming as early as January 15, 2009, if we do not immediately seek a delay.**

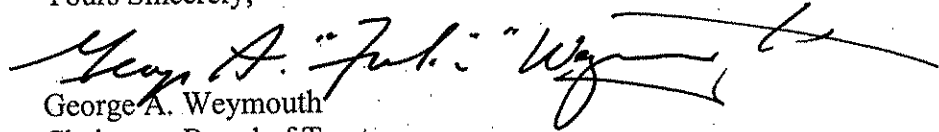
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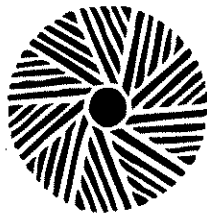
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If you would like any additional information on this matter, please contact Sherri Evans-Stanton, Director, Environmental Management Center, Brandywine Conservancy sevansstanton@brandywine.org. Sherri may be reached at (610) 388-8393.

Yours Sincerely,


George A. Weymouth
Chairman, Board of Trustees

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December 22, 2008

Senator Robert Casey, Jr.
555 Walnut Street, First Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re: Sparrows Point AES/Mid-Atlantic Pipeline Project

Dear Senator Casey:

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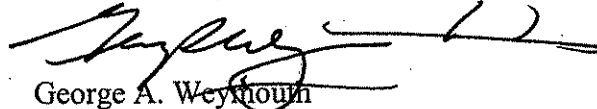
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