

June 16, 2008

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

888 First Street, N.E., Room 1A

Washington, D.C. 20426

RE: *Draft Environmental Impact Statement*

**Sparrows Point LNG Terminal and Pipeline Project**

AES Sparrows Point LNG, LLC Docket No. CP07-62-000

Mid-Atlantic Express, L.L.C. Docket Nos. CP07-63-000

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FERC/EIS – 0222D

Dear FERC Commission Members and Staff,

I am writing to you today on behalf of the members of Stewards of the Lower Susquehanna, Inc. to request that you deny the proposed Sparrow's Point/AES pipeline application. The draft EIS is incomplete and shows numerous short-comings in understanding and documentation of the effects of disturbing waterways, wetlands, forested habitats, and the threatened Eastern Barrens. Our members do not understand how such an incomplete evaluation of impacts can even be up for consideration, let alone be given a designation of "minimal" or "no" impact. In addition, based on the information provided, it appears that determination and reporting of specific impacts to the environment have been, and will be, left to the for-profit companies involved in the construction and maintenance of the facilities and pipelines. This is unacceptable practice when working in such rare and specialized areas as the Eastern Barrens, or resources already utilized by the public for such important uses as drinking water supplies. Upon review of even the *documented* impacts to 177 waterbodies, acres of wetlands, and numerous sites of agricultural and historic significance, we must ask that you follow the will of the current good stewards of these resources and deny this application.

Stewards of the Lower Susquehanna, Inc. (SOLS) is a non-profit environmental advocacy organization based in York, PA. SOLS' mission is the preservation and improvement of the ecological and aesthetic qualities of the lower Susquehanna River watershed and Chesapeake Bay. Established in 2005, SOLS has more than 100 members dedicated solely to protecting and restoring the Susquehanna River Basin. SOLS' primary geographic focus begins at the Susquehanna River's confluence with the West Branch at Sunbury Pennsylvania and continues downstream to the Chesapeake Bay at Havre de Grace Maryland, encompassing more than 140 miles of the Susquehanna River

and 9,200 square miles of watershed. SOLS' members use the wild areas of the Susquehanna watershed for fishing, hunting, boating, and for its scenic and historic value. Dozens of SOLS' members live, work and recreate in Harford, Cecil, and Lancaster Counties. As such, we understand the importance of this FERC approval that could alter our homes, lands, and waterways for generations to come. Again, please follow the will of the people of this region, not the interests of an outside corporation.

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