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The Honorable Gladys Brown, Chair  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC)  
400 North Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Keystone Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Chairwoman Brown,

I am writing in support of Buckeye Partners L.P.'s proposal to partially reverse the flow of gasoline on the Laurel Pipe Line west towards the Altoona area. I had the opportunity to discuss this important project with the Buckeye Partners L.P. leadership team. I believe that this directional change in flow would increase access for Pennsylvania customers to lower-cost, domestically extracted fuels.

Buckeye Partners L.P. is attempting to respond to customer demands and has determined the need to reverse flow on the line to produce a greater quantity of domestic gasoline. This project would increase the amount of affordable fuel, bringing approximately 40,000 more barrels a day to citizens in Pennsylvania. By partially reversing flow through the Laurel Pipe Line, there would be an eastbound connection to domestic gasoline and diesel while the remaining flow would continue in a westward direction. The partial reversal of the Laurel Pipe Line does not threaten local jobs or businesses.

I am extremely concerned that past governmental involvement has provided an artificial, non-market based support that is unsustainable. Philadelphia Energy Solution (PES) has reported investments and dividend payout could have had a lasting impact on the company being considered "significantly financially stressed." Even PES's business decision for lesser usage of the Laurel Pipe Line are instructive on the need to reverse a portion of this line. To adopt a policy that impedes a business from making market-driven decisions would not be wise for the Pennsylvania economy.

Thank you for your positive consideration of this request. Please contact me if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

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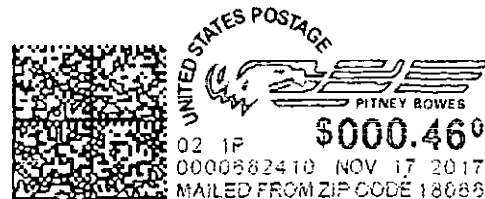
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