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April 12, 2018

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
400 North Street, Filing Room  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

**Re: Petition of the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement of the Pennsylvania  
Public Utility Commission for the Issuance of an Ex Parte Emergency Order; Docket No.  
P-2018-3000281**

To Whom It May Concern:

Pennsylvania's current energy infrastructure is inadequate to facilitate both production and demand. That is why projects like Mariner East are so important --- they help to deliver energy resources from western Pennsylvania to the revitalized Marcus Hook Industrial Complex in southeastern Pennsylvania for processing, storage and transport to market. The economic benefits stretch all along the 350 miles of pipe spanning Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio. The project represents a \$5 billion in Pennsylvania.

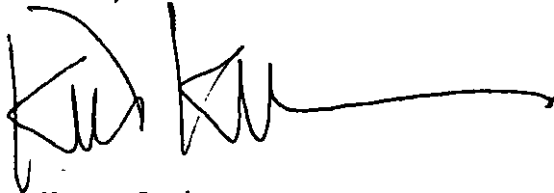
Unfortunately, the Mariner East line which was in service remains shut in. This affects not only the production capabilities from our shale fields in western Pennsylvania, which already are battling the constrains of limited infrastructure for market delivery, but also the Marcus Hook facility that relies on delivery of these products for operation. Specifically, Mariner East is the critical link for getting propane to southeastern Pennsylvania. The local market is extremely tight and any increase in demand could lead to shortages.

The entire Mariner East pipeline system has the potential to generate a one-time economic impact of nearly \$9.1 billion in Pennsylvania and support 57,070 jobs during the construction and operation period with earnings of \$2.7 billion. According to Econsult Solutions, which issued the report, the Mariner East projects could generate an estimated \$122 million in total

to the commonwealth over the length of the construction period. But Pennsylvania cannot realize its full potential if portions of the system remain closed for business.

The Pennsylvania Energy Infrastructure Alliance is a broad-based coalition comprising labor, agriculture, conservation, manufacturing, retail and other business groups focused on increasing access to affordable natural gas and natural gas liquids so that production of these valuable energy resources provides the greatest benefit for Pennsylvania workers and consumers, and the overall economy. There are more than two dozen PEIA members today. On behalf of PEIA, we urge you to work to expedite review and place the Mariner East line back in service as soon as possible.

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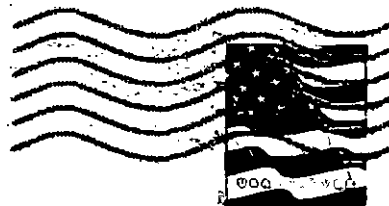
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