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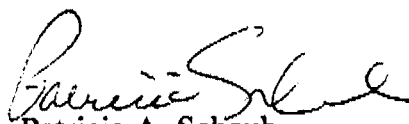
Dear Representative Schroder:

I am writing in response to your February 10, 2009 letter regarding the Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation's (Transco) Sentinel Expansion Project. This project was authorized by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) order issued on August 14, 2008 in Docket No. CP08-31-000 (Order).

Only those facilities and the associated rights-of-way approved in the Order are authorized for construction and operation as part of Transco's Sentinel Expansion Project. If Transco is attempting to obtain approval from landowners for easements for future pipelines in the project area, it must do so without the eminent domain authority which accompanied this Order. To address the possibility for misunderstanding or improper use of the right of eminent domain, Environmental Condition No. 4 of the Order states - "Transco's exercise of eminent domain authority granted under Natural Gas Act section 7(h) in any condemnation proceedings related to the Commission's Order must be consistent with these authorized facilities and locations." However, please note that the Commission's Order does not prevent Transco from negotiating with a willing landowner for the use of wider or additional easements for either the current or future projects.

If I can be of further assistance in this or any other Commission matter, please let me know.

Sincerely,



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