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

Re: WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.
Docket No. CP17-257-000
Valley Expansion Project
Bi-Weekly Status Report – Report No. 9

Dear Ms. Bose:

WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. (WBI Energy) herewith submits its Bi-Weekly Status Report No. 9 for the Valley Expansion Project, in compliance with Environmental Condition 8 of the Appendix to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's February 15, 2018 Order Issuing Certificate in the above referenced docket. The attached report addresses the period June 9, 2018 to June 22, 2018.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this filing, please call the undersigned at (701) 530-1563.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lori Myerchin

Lori Myerchin
Manager, Regulatory Affairs

cc: Robin Griffin, FERC



WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.
Valley Expansion Project Bi-Weekly Status Report No. 9
FERC Docket No. CP17-257-000

Reporting Period: June 9, 2018 through June 22, 2018

A. Update on Federal Authorizations

WBI Energy has obtained all necessary federal permits and authorizations required for construction of the Valley Expansion Project.

B. Construction Status

Environmental training has been completed for existing WBI Energy construction crews and new personnel are being trained as they arrive on site. Crews continue to receive pipe and clean mats at the Kost Yard. Crews have graded up to Station 1139+32 along the mainline where access is available, installing mat bridges, construction approaches, and erosion and sediment controls as needed. In areas that have already been graded, crews continue pipe stringing, bending, and welding and began trenching and lowering-in. The HDD under the Red River of the North continues and archaeological and tribal monitors are present. Soil salinity testing for potential triple-lift locations continues along the mainline right-of-way as needed. Grading and concrete work continue and drilled piers are being installed at the Mapleton Compressor Station. The remaining helical piles were installed and seeding was completed at the Sanborn Regulator Station. The gravel pad at the Jamestown Border Station is being replaced with a higher quality class 5 gravel due to stability issues.

A summary of the construction activities completed for the pipeline facilities during the reporting period is provided in Table 1.

TABLE 1		
Summary of Construction Activities for Pipeline Facilities		
Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed
Install Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Device	45%	50%
Clearing	21%	52%
Grading	23%	52%
Stringing	26%	49%
Trenching	1%	1%
Bending	41%	41%
Welding	13%	15%
Coating Pipe Joint Welds	8%	8%
Lowering-in	NA	NA
Backfill Pipe and Install Cathodic Protection Leads	NA	NA
Bores	12 of 40	13 of 40
Rough Cleanup	NA	NA
Seeding	NA	NA
Hydrostatic Test		
West Section– Hydrostatic Test	NA	NA
East Section– Hydrostatic Test	NA	NA
Total Job Complete	14%	20%

Note: NA = Not applicable

A summary of the construction activities completed for the aboveground facilities during the reporting period is provided in Table 2.

TABLE 2		
Summary of Construction Activities for Aboveground Facilities		
County/State/Facility	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed
Viking Interconnect, Clay County, Minnesota		
Grading	NA	100%
Construct Approaches	NA	100%
Install Helical Piles	NA	NA
Communications Equipment & Buildings	NA	NA
Odorization Facilities	NA	NA
Install Aboveground Piping and Over Pressure Protection	NA	NA
Trenching	NA	NA
Install Below Ground Piping	NA	NA
Auxiliary Facilities Installation	NA	NA
Cleanup / Restoration	NA	90%
Security Fence	NA	NA
Mainline Block Valve #1, Clay County, Minnesota		
Install New Block Valve	NA	NA
Mainline Block Valve #2, Cass County, North Dakota		
Install New Block Valve	NA	NA
Mainline Block Valve #3, Cass County, North Dakota		
Install New Block Valve	NA	NA
Mainline Block Valve #4, Cass County, North Dakota		
Install New Block Valve	NA	NA
Mapleton Compressor Station, Cass County, North Dakota		
Grading	40%	90%
Concrete Work	20%	85%
Drilled Piers	95%	95%
Bury Tanks	NA	NA
Install Aboveground Piping and Vessels	NA	NA
Trenching	NA	NA
Install Buried Piping	NA	NA
Hydrostatic Testing	NA	NA
Building Installations	NA	NA
New Unit Installation	NA	NA
Auxiliary Facilities Installation	NA	NA
Cleanup / Restoration	NA	NA
Sanborn Regulator Station, Barnes County, North Dakota		
Grading	NA	100%
Install Helical Piles	28.6%	100%
Set Pre-Fabricated Mainline Regulator Package	NA	100%
Install Aboveground Piping	NA	50%
Excavate and Replace Existing Valve Setting	NA	NA
Auxiliary Facilities Installation	NA	100%
Trenching	NA	100%
Cleanup / Restoration	10%	90%
Security Fence	NA	NA
Jamestown Town Border Station, Stutsman County, North Dakota		
Grading	NA	50%
Construct Approaches	100%	100%
Install Helical Piles	NA	100%
Set Pre-Fabricated Meter and Remote Terminal Unit Buildings	NA	100%

TABLE 2		
Summary of Construction Activities for Aboveground Facilities		
County/State/Facility	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed
Install Aboveground Piping	100%	100%
Install New Valve Setting	NA	NA
Install Underground Piping	50%	50%
Trenching	100%	100%
Auxiliary Facilities Installations	100%	100%
Cleanup / Restoration	NA	NA
Security Fence	NA	NA
Apple Valley Town Border Station, Burleigh County, North Dakota		
Grading	NA	NA
Concrete Work	NA	NA
Install Aboveground Piping	NA	NA
Meter Installation	NA	NA
Building Installation	NA	NA
Auxiliary Facilities Installation	NA	NA
Cleanup / Restoration	NA	NA
Security Fence	NA	NA
Total Job Complete	12%	35%
Note: NA = Not applicable		

Work planned for the next reporting period:

- Environmental training continues for new personnel arriving on site, as needed.
- Pipe and clean mat delivery to continue to the Kost Yard.
- Grading, pipe stringing, bending, welding, lowering-in, bores, and identifying triple-lift locations to continue along the mainline right-of-way.
- The Red River HDD to be completed the week of 6/25. Drilling crews will then move to and begin the Sheyenne River HDD.
- Replacement of the pad with higher quality class 5 gravel at the Jamestown Border Station to be completed the week of 6/25.
- Concrete work, drilled pier installation, and grading at the Mapleton Compressor Station to be completed the week of 6/25. Cleanup and seeding to follow.

Schedule changes for work in environmentally sensitive areas:

No schedule changes for work in environmentally sensitive areas were identified during the reporting period.

C. Problems/Instances of Non-Compliance Encountered

One instance of non-compliance occurred during the reporting period. A bulldozer inadvertently disturbed soils off right-of-way in an agricultural field where crops had not been planted. No crops were damaged and the landowner was informed of the incident. The area is also within the tribal and archaeological monitoring zone near the Sheyenne River and after reviewing the disturbance, monitors determined no tribal or archaeological resources were impacted.

No problem areas were encountered during the reporting period.

D. Corrective Actions Implemented

Corrective actions were implemented at the area of non-compliance, including notifying the landowner and tribal and archaeological monitors, restoring the off-right-of-way disturbance area to preconstruction conditions, and installing additional signage to further define the work limits.

No problem areas were encountered during the reporting period, so no corrective actions were required.

E. Effectiveness of Corrective Actions Implemented

The corrective actions were implemented at the area of non-compliance were considered effective because no crops were damaged, no tribal or archaeological resources were impacted, and the area was successfully restored to preconstruction conditions.

No problem areas were encountered during the reporting period, so no corrective actions were required.

F. Correspondence Received for Non-Compliance and Response

No reports regarding non-compliances were received during the reporting period.

G. Landowner/Resident Complaints and Response

No landowner or resident complaints were received during the reporting period.

H. Additional Items

One minor spill was reported on 6/15, which was cleaned up and the spill area restored. A FERC inspector made a scheduled visit to the Project on 6/13 and no issues were identified.