## FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

In Reply Refer To:
OEP/DG2E/Gas Branch 1
WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.
North Bakken Expansion Project
Docket No. CP20-52-000

October 27, 2021

VIA FERC Service

Lori Myerchin Director, Regulatory Affairs and Transportation Services WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. PO Box 5601 Bismarck, ND 58506-5601

Re: Partial In-Service Authorization

Dear Ms. Myerchin,

I grant WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.'s (WBI Energy) October 21, 2021 request to place into service, at currently certificated volumes, the upgraded Norse Plant Receipt Station, the new Norse Transfer Station, the replaced 0.1 mile of 8-inch pipeline, and a new 8-inch pig launcher/receiver in Burke County, North Dakota. These facilities are associated with the North Bakken Expansion Project and the partial in-service is necessary to continue providing natural gas service to WBI Energy's existing customers during construction of the project. Your request complies with environmental condition 11 of the Commission's June 1, 2021 *Order Issuing Certificate* (Order) issued in the above-referenced docket. Based on our compliance monitor's inspection and WBI Energy's recent status reports, I find that WBI Energy has demonstrated that the disturbed areas are stabilized with erosion controls and that restoration is proceeding satisfactorily. WBI Energy commits to completing the remaining restoration of the disturbed areas by December 2021.

I remind you that WBI Energy must comply with all applicable remaining terms and conditions of the Order. If you have any questions, please contact Dawn Ramsey, Project Manager, at (202) 502-6856.

Sincerely,

Rich McGuire, Director Division of Gas - Environment and Engineering