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

Re: WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.
North Bakken Expansion Project
Docket Nos. CP20-52-000 and CP20-52-001
Request for Authorization to Place Facilities into Service at Currently Certificated
Volume Level

Dear Ms. Bose:

On June 1, 2021, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) issued an Order Issuing Certificate (Order) in the above referenced dockets authorizing WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. (WBI Energy) to construct and operate its North Bakken Expansion Project (Project) in Burke, McKenzie, Mountrail and Williams Counties, North Dakota. On July 8, 2021, the Commission authorized WBI Energy to proceed with construction of all Project facilities. As reported in the weekly status reports to the Commission, construction of the Project is underway.

Pursuant to Environmental Condition No. 11 of the Appendix to the Order, WBI Energy respectfully requests the Director of the Office of Energy Projects, or the Director's designee, grant WBI Energy authorization to place the upgraded Norse Plant Receipt Station, the new Norse Transfer Station, the replacement of 0.1 mile of 6-inch pipeline with 8-inch pipeline (formerly the Stoneview-Conoco Lateral) and a new 8-inch pig launcher/receiver into service by **Wednesday, October 27, 2021** to continue to provide natural gas service at currently certificated volumes at the existing maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP) of 700 pounds per square inch gauge (psig).

Upon receiving approval from the Commission, WBI Energy intends to place the Norse Plant Receipt Station back into service on Thursday, October 28, 2021, and flow currently certificated volumes from this receipt station at an MAOP of 700 psig through portions of the new Norse Transfer Station, the new 8-inch pig launcher/receiver and the 8-inch diameter replacement pipeline to WBI Energy's existing Line Section 25.

WBI Energy will submit a separate request to further utilize the Norse Transfer Station to move currently certificated volumes when the upgraded Lignite Plant Receipt Station and Uprates to Line Section 25 are complete.

As reflected in Weekly Project Status Report No. 20 (Table 3-2), remaining facilities at the Norse Plant Receipt Station will be completed the week of October 25, 2021 and include the installation of a meter building and remaining station piping.

TABLE 3-2 Norse Plant Receipt Station			
Work Completed during Reporting Period: 1/			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work was completed during this reporting period. 			
Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments
Site Preparation	0%	100%	
Facility Installation	0%	20%	2/
Cleanup	0%	0%	3/
Work Planned for next Reporting Period and Schedule Changes:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work is planned for the week of October 18 to 24, 2021. A meter building will be installed Monday, October 25, 2021. Remaining station piping will be installed Tuesday, October 26, 2021. 			
<p>1/ Work completed from October 11 to 17, 2021. 2/ Includes below-ground piping to the Norse Transfer Station reported in Weekly Project Status Report No. 12. 3/ Final restoration is planned for late November or early December 2021 and includes the spreading of gravel and the installation of a security fence around the Norse Plant Receipt and Transfer Stations.</p>			

Certain facilities at the Norse Transfer Station to flow currently certificated volumes at a MAOP of 700 psig from the Norse Plant Receipt Station into Line Section 25 are complete, as reflected in Table 3-3 of Weekly Project Status Report No. 20.

TABLE 3-3 Norse Transfer Station			
Work Completed during Reporting Period:1/			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work was completed during this reporting period. 			
Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments
Site Preparation	0%	100%	
Facility Installation	0%	94%	2/ 3/
Cleanup	0%	0%	4/
Work Planned for next Reporting Period and Schedule Changes:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work is planned for the week of October 18 to 24, 2021. 			
<p>1/ Work completed from October 11 to 17, 2021. 2/ Includes Transfer building and station piping reported in Weekly Project Status Report 12. 3/ As part of the Uprate to Line Section 25, one remaining interconnecting section of pipe will be installed at the Norse Transfer Station. 4/ Final restoration is planned for late November or early December 2021 and includes the spreading of gravel and the installation of a security fence around the Norse Plant Receipt and Transfer Stations.</p>			



Date: 8/21/21

Location: Norse Transfer Station

Notes: New Transfer building and associated station piping completed as of August 21, 2021 and reported in Weekly Project Status Report No. 12.

The construction of the 8-inch replacement pipeline (Table 1-8) and an 8-inch pig launcher/receiver are complete. The pipeline was hydrostatically tested on Wednesday, October 20, 2021.

**TABLE 1-8
Uprates to Line Section 25**

Work Completed during Reporting Period: 1/			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work was completed during this reporting period. 			
Activity	Total % Completed This Period	% of Total Job Completed	Comments
Pipeline ¹			
Clearing / Grading	0%	100%	
Stringing	0%	100%	
Bending	0%	100%	
Welding	0%	100%	
Joint Coating	0%	100%	
Ditching	0%	100%	
Lowering	0%	100%	
Backfill	0%	100%	
Cleanup	0%	70%	
Seeding	0%	0%	
Pig Launcher/Receiver ²		3 of 3	Pig launcher/receivers completed.

¹ Includes replacing the existing 0.1 mile 6-inch-diameter Stoneview-Conoco Lateral with 0.1 mile of 8-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline from the Norse Transfer Station to the existing Line Section 25 and the replacing and rerouting of about 0.1 mile of existing 8-inch-diameter pipeline from the 86th Street NW bore to the proposed Norse Transfer Station.

² Includes pig launcher/receivers at the Lignite Town Border Station and two at the new Norse Transfer Station (one for the replaced and rerouted 8-inch pipeline and the other for the existing Line Section 25).

Bores ³		4 of 4	Bores completed.
Hydrostatic Testing	0%	0%	2/
Work Planned for next Reporting Period and Schedule Changes:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hydrostatic testing of the 8-inch replacement pipeline. 			
1/ Work completed from October 11 to 17, 2021.			
2/ The 8-inch replacement pipeline will be hydrostatic tested on October 20, 2021. Hydrostatic testing of the replaced and rerouted 8-inch pipeline from the 86 th Street NW bore to the Norse Transfer Station will occur after the four county road crossings and one state highway crossings are tied-in to the existing Line Section 25.			



Date: 10/20/21

Location: The 8-inch replacement pipeline (formerly Stoneview-Conoco Lateral)

Notes: The 8-inch replacement pipeline (under plastic cover) hydrostatic tested on October 20, 2021.

WBI Energy will complete final restoration of the Norse Plant Receipt and Transfer Stations in late November/early December 2021 that will include spreading of gravel and the installation of a fence around both facilities. Reseeding of the 8-inch replacement pipeline will occur after the commissioning of the pipeline.

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³ Includes the replacement of about 0.4 mile of existing pipeline via the guided bore method at four county road crossings and one state highway crossing (92nd Street NW; 93rd Street NW/89th Avenue NW (both crossed by the same bore); 86th Street NW, and Highway 40).

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

Sincerely,

/s/ Lori Myerchin

Lori Myerchin
Director, Regulatory Affairs and
Transportation Services

Attachment

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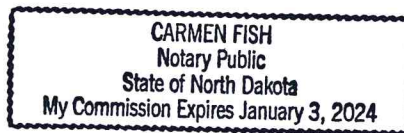
I, Lori Myerchin, being first duly sworn, do hereby depose and say that I am the Director, Regulatory Affairs and Transportation Service for WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.; that I have read the foregoing document; that I know the contents thereof; that I am authorized to execute such document; and that all such statements and matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Dated this 21st day of October 2021

By 
Lori Myerchin
Director, Regulatory Affairs and
Transportation Services

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of October 2021


Carmen Fish, Notary Public
Burleigh County, North Dakota
My Commission Expires: 01/03/2024



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Dated this 21st day of October 2021.

By /s/ Lori Myerchin
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