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

Re: WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.
Wahpeton Expansion Project
Docket No. PF21-04-000

On September 27, 2021, the Director of the Office of Energy Projects issued a letter in the above-referenced docket approving the request of WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. (WBI Energy) to commence the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Pre-filing Review Process for its proposed Wahpeton Expansion Project (Project). Pursuant to Section 157.21(f)(6) of the Commission's regulations, WBI Energy herewith submits its second monthly progress report for the Project for the period of November 1 to November 30, 2021.

Should you have any questions about this report, please feel free to contact me at (701) 530-1563.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lori Myerchin

Lori Myerchin
Director, Regulatory Affairs and
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WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.

Enclosure: Monthly Progress Report No. 2

INTRODUCTION

By letter order dated September 27, 2021, WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. (WBI Energy) was granted approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or the Commission) to utilize the Commission's Pre-filing Review Process for the proposed Wahpeton Expansion Project (Project). The Project will consist of:

- approximately 58.7 miles of 12-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline from WBI Energy's existing Mapleton Compressor Station near Mapleton, North Dakota, to a new delivery station near Wahpeton, North Dakota;
- minor modifications at the Mapleton Compressor Station to interconnect the new pipeline;
- a new delivery station near Kindred, North Dakota; and
- new block valve settings, and new pig launcher/receiver settings.

The Project, as proposed, will allow WBI Energy to add approximately 20.6 million cubic feet per day of natural gas transportation capacity to help meet a growing demand for natural gas in southeastern North Dakota. The Project has been assigned Docket No. PF21-04-000.

This Monthly Progress Report provides a brief summary of significant Project activities or changes in Project information that have occurred during the period beginning November 1, 2021 through November 30, 2021.

FIELD SURVEYS

- Survey access has been obtained for approximately 95 percent of the pipeline route.
- Approximately 95 percent of the biological and cultural surveys have been completed based on the current route.
- Surveys have concluded for the 2021 field season.
- Follow-up on a few parcels and any reroutes is targeted for spring 2022, dependent on weather conditions and potential reroutes.

RESOURCE REPORTS

- FERC selected Cardno, Inc. as its Third-Party Contractor to assist FERC in developing a National Environmental Policy Act document.
- FERC provided comments on the preliminary drafts of Resource Report 1 (General Project Description) and Resource Report 10 (Alternatives).
- WBI Energy continued to work on draft resource reports.

AGENCY/TRIBAL CONTACTS

- Between November 1 and November 29, 2021, WBI Energy sent multiple e-mails to and held a conference call with the Northern Arapaho Tribal Historic Preservation Officer regarding, potential sites within the Area of Potential Effect, already adopted reroutes to

avoid a cultural site, clarification on the letter of effects that Northern Arapaho sent, survey participation/report access, and lack of presence of stone feature sites during surveys.

- On November 18, 2021 submitted information to the Federal Aviation Administration to conduct an aeronautical study to make a hazard determination regarding the potential site of the Kindred Border Station.
- WBI Energy made plans to follow-up on its initial agency contacts.

STAKEHOLDER ACTIVITIES

- On November 2, 2021, mailed a letter to new landowners providing information about the Project, next steps in the process, and invitation to WBI Energy's public open houses on November 16 and 17, 2021.
- Held four public open house meetings, two in Kindred, North Dakota on November 16, 2021 from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm and 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm, and two in Wahpeton, North Dakota on November 17, 2021 from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm and 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm.
 - Approximately 24 attendees at the Kindred meetings including the following Public officials and other community leaders in attendance:
 - State Senator Mark Weber (R- District 22)
 - State Representative Cynthia Schreiber-Beck (R- District 25)
 - Cass County Weed and Control District, Stan Wolf
 - Cass County Highway Department, Brian Busta
 - Cass County Zoning, Bob Staloch
 - Cass County Sheriff, Jesse Jahner
 - Cass County Deputy Sheriff, Jesse Castle
 - ND Commerce Department, Shawn Kessel
 - Kindred City Councilor, Adam Spelhaug
 - Mayor of Colfax, Jeff Olson
 - Approximately 21 attendees at the Wahpeton meetings including the following Public officials and other community leaders in attendance:
 - State Representative Alisa Mitskog (D- District 25)
 - State Representative Cynthia Schreiber-Beck (R- District 25)
 - U.S. Senator Cramer Staff, Michael Kelsch
 - U.S. Representative Armstrong Staff, Mary Christy
 - Mayor of Wahpeton, Steve Dale
 - Richland County Commissioner, Perry Miller
 - Wahpeton Commerce Department, Chris Devries
 - Questions raised at the Open House meetings included:
 - General questions about the route location and surveys by landowners
 - Questions about farm taps
 - Questions about timeline and next steps by Senator Cramer's staff

- Questions about road crossings
- Questions about restoration
- Questions about drain tiles

ENGINEERING AND RIGHT-OF-WAY

- WBI Energy continued compiling typical construction drawings and developing footprint information for use in the draft resource reports.
- WBI Energy continued to contact landowners to refine routing and siting and to obtain access for surveys.
- WBI Energy continued to work on compressor station piping and border station layout and design.

UPCOMING FOR NOVEMBER 2021

- Continue to work on drafting resource reports, including responding to FERC's comments on the preliminary drafts of Resource Reports 1 and 10.
- Continue to follow-up with agencies, Native American tribes, and other stakeholders contacted about the Project.
- Attend Project Update meeting with FERC staff and its Third-Party Contractor.