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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street, Filing Room
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Petition of Senator Dinniman for Interim Emergency Relief; Docket No. P-2018-3001453; Senator Dinniman v. Sunoco Pipeline L.P.; Docket no. C-201-3001451

Secretary Chiavetta:

The Edgmont Township Board of Supervisors would like to express its support of the Order dated May 22, 2018, which granted interim emergency relief and review, as requested by Senator Dinniman of Chester County on April 30, 2018. The Order, founded on protecting the public interest and safety in accordance with 66 Pa. C.S. Section 1501, aligns with our fiduciary duty to our residents, and therefore the Board encourages the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission to adopt the provisions of the May 22, 2018 Order related to continuing safety concerns, plans and procedures related to the pipeline construction occurring in Edgmont Township.

The Mariner East 1, 2, and 2X pipelines run through the western portion of Edgmont Township. The residents of the Township are entitled to and deserve the assurance that these pipelines are being installed, operated, and maintained in a manner that provides the utmost possible safety. Edgmont Township has experienced several issues related to the installation of Sunoco Pipelines, such as inadvertent spills of drilling fluid, erosion and changes in topography, resulting in unanticipated stormwater accumulation and topographical depressions forming from concentrated stormwater accumulation as well as roadway damage that has not been repaired to date. In the past, the Township has also experienced several spills from the existing buried Sunoco pipelines that have damaged property and released petroleum products into the environment impacting the water supply and land in the Township. The effect of disrupting the water supplies of many residents in the Sunoco construction area is still outstanding and is being monitored for several more years. Unfortunately the new construction and existing pipelines are inextricably intertwined thus making it difficult to separate the various issues associated with the pipelines.

In addition, the apparent delayed or in some cases a complete disregard for construction and easement upkeep has caused dangerous conditions and overgrown vegetation which

encourage the presence of nuisance wildlife and insects, thus potentially increasing the risk of exposure to disease to nearby residents. Lastly and most importantly, Edgmont Township is a heavily residential area in close proximity to the current and proposed Mariner East pipelines; to date the appropriate emergency responders and the residents of our Township have not been provided with an adequate emergency management plan and/or a risk assessment evaluation in the event of a leak or explosion.

The directives of Judge Barnes' Order outline how to best provide for the safety of our residents and the protection of their property. It is imperative that these recommendations be considered and implemented in the interest of public safety. Many of the incidents which have resulted from the construction of Sunoco Pipelines have occurred without making emergency responders aware of the situation and/or communicating crucial information about these issues to the proper authorities. These concerns, and more were outlined in the Proclamation adopted by the Board of Supervisors on December 19, 2016, a copy of which is enclosed. The majority of those issues outlined in the proclamation have still not been adequately addressed by Sunoco, the PUC, DEP, or Governor Wolf.

It is the duty of our state representatives to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of its residents, and the Township of Edgmont strongly believes that our representatives need to hold Sunoco Pipeline L.P. responsible for their actions and ensure the protection of our state and its residents. The Board of Supervisors would like to thank the PUC for your important work in evaluating Judge Barnes' Emergency Order and respectfully request that you review the Order with an eye toward implementation of appropriate safety considerations for the residents of Edgmont Township.

On behalf of the Edgmont Township Supervisors and the residents in which we serve, we would like to thank you for your consideration.

Very Truly Yours,



Ronald Gravina
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Enclosure

cc: Sen. Thomas Killion
Rep. Christopher Quinn
Governor Wolf