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

Re: Sinkholes near Lincoln Highway in West Whiteland Township

Dear Secretary Chiavetta,

On behalf of residents of West Whiteland Township, the West Whiteland Board of Supervisors is writing to express our deep concern about the sinkholes that have opened up near Lincoln Highway, the Chester Valley Trail and two operating natural gas liquids (NGL) pipelines in West Whiteland Township. A number of sinkholes have developed since Energy Transfer started boring under Lincoln Highway to install 16" and 20" pipelines to carry more NGLs.

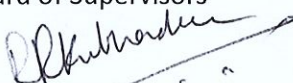
We are aware that the PUC's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement has been on site numerous times to inspect the sinkholes and is requiring extensive geophysical testing in that area as part of their ongoing investigation. We appreciate their efforts and diligence.

We think it is important that the PUC also be aware that many people in our community are fearful that the sinkholes could compromise the integrity of the operating NGL pipelines with catastrophic consequences. Our community lived through the risk that sinkholes pose to pipelines when several opened up near Lisa Drive between 2017 and 2019 due to Energy Transfer's construction. At that time, sinkholes exposed Energy Transfer's operating 8" pipeline and the PUC shut it down while extensive geophysical testing and grouting took place. The current sinkholes opened along the bore path, not over the operating pipelines, but until geophysical testing has been completed and analyzed, it is unclear whether there has been underground subsidence close to the operating pipelines. That uncertainty causes fear.

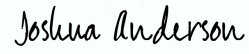
In the interest of safety, we ask that the PUC strongly consider shutting down operation of the 8" and 12" pipelines until BIE's investigation is complete and a determination is made about their integrity.

Sincerely,

West Whiteland Township
Board of Supervisors


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