July 14, 2016

Township Trustees

Re: Proposed NEXUS Alternate Pipeline Route

Dear Township Trustees:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of an alternate NEXUS natural gas pipeline route that could run through your township. Attached are detailed maps of the proposed alternate route. The map shows the original Nexus Route through Chippewa Township, the Rover route, the Utopia (Kinder-Morgan) route and the new proposed alternate route for Nexus that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) is considering.

FERC published a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) which includes this alternate. The Draft EIS can be viewed at the following link: [http://elibrary.ferc.gov/idms/file_list.asp?accession_num=20160708-4002](http://elibrary.ferc.gov/idms/file_list.asp?accession_num=20160708-4002). The alternate route was proposed by the City of Green because they have approximately 8 miles of the original route going through their city and it is described on pages 3-22 through 3-27 of the Draft EIS. In the Draft EIS, the FERC did not reject the proposal and is asking for additional information on the alternate route for further evaluation.

The alternate route is not the one which NEXUS is proposing to FERC, but one that FERC states they must explore. The citizens on the original route have had notice from NEXUS for approximately 2 years, so they have had time to consider the route. FERC is only giving until August 29 for comments on the alternate route. Attached is a document that explains how comments can be either submitted in writing or in person at a hearing. We urge you to consider sending your comments as a Board of Trustees of an affected township.

A meeting has been set for Wednesday, August 3 at 7:00pm in the 2nd floor meeting room of the County Administration Building in Wooster. Dale Arnold, Farm Bureau expert on oil and gas, will be there to speak on this alternate route and assist your township if you wish to make comments to the FERC. This meeting is sponsored jointly by Wayne Soil and Water Conservation District and the Wayne County Commissioners.

Farm Bureau is setting up some other meetings for affected landowners to inform them of this alternate route and to assist them if they wish to make comments. We also urge you to pass this information on to your residents as soon as possible so that they can voice their concerns.

Please feel free to contact Wayne Soil and Water at 330-262-2836 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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Wayne County Commissioner

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