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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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Mr. Juan J. Rios
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Dear Mr. Rios:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has completed its review of the application for a Part 71 Title V Permit to Operate for the Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership, Deer River Compressor Station No. 4 in Deer River, Minnesota. The application was received by EPA on February 25, 2009.

Today EPA is sending you this letter to document EPA's completeness determination, remind TransCanada Pipelines of its continuing obligation to correct any misinformation and provide updated information to EPA, and to remind TransCanada Pipelines of its continuing obligation to comply with all applicable EPA permitting and regulatory requirements.

Completeness Determination: Pursuant to 40 CFR 71.5, we have determined that the information submitted in the application is administratively complete. Since your permit application has been found complete, you are covered by an application shield. This permit shield is in effect from the date of completeness until the final permit is issued, provided you submit any requested information by the specified deadlines. (See 40 C.F.R. 71.5(a)(2) and 71.7(b).)

Please be aware that the permit application shield does not mean we have already approved the requested permit, nor does it mean that we have determined whether any compliance concerns have been adequately addressed. The permit application shield only means the TransCanada Pipelines may continue to operate the equipment even if your current part 71 operating permit expires.

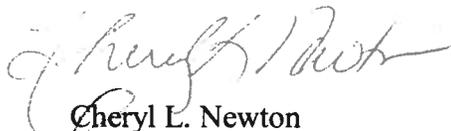
Duty to Provide Additional Information: Please be advised that this application completeness determination does not constitute a thorough evaluation of the merits of the application. If we determine that additional information is necessary to evaluate the application or to take final action on it, we may request such information in writing and set a reasonable deadline for a response. (See 40 C.F.R. 71.5(a)(2).)

Duty to Correct/Update Application: If you find that you have omitted any relevant facts, or submitted incorrect information, you must promptly file corrections to your application with our office. In addition, if regulations become applicable before the draft operating permit for this facility is made available for public comment, you must provide additional information to us addressing the new applicable requirements. (See 40 CFR 71.5(b).)

Please remember this completeness determination does not affect your obligation to comply with all applicable requirements regardless of Title V permit issuance. Furthermore, future changes at the facility, whether considered major or minor for construction permitting purposes, may necessitate updating your part 71 operating permit application.

If you have any questions, please contact Genevieve Damico, of my staff, at (312) 353-4761. We look forward to working with your company in preparing the Part 71 Permit to Operate.

Sincerely,



Cheryl L. Newton
Director
Air and Radiation Division

cc: Anthony Kornaga