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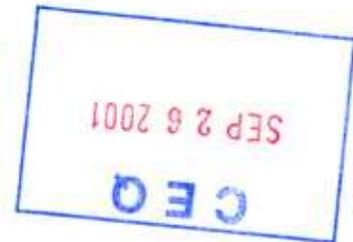
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James L. Connaughton  
Chairman, Council on Environmental Quality  
Executive Office of the President  
17th and G Streets, NW  
Washington, DC 20503  
Attention: Energy Task Force



Re: Millennium Pipeline Project

Dear Chairman Connaughton:

On May 18, 2001, President Bush established a Federal Interagency Task Force under your direction to help federal agencies expedite their review of energy-related projects. In your subsequent August 17, 2001 public notice, you requested, *inter alia*, "basic information about major pending projects . . . under development that may be relevant to the Task Force's efforts to streamline energy permitting decisions." In response to that notice and request, the following information about the Millennium Pipeline Project is provided:

1. Name of Project -- The Millennium Pipeline Project
2. Entity Proposing Project -- Millennium Pipeline Company, L.P. ("Millennium"), a partnership comprised of affiliates of four major North American energy companies -- Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, MCN Energy, Inc., TransCanada PipeLines Limited, and Westcoast Energy (U.S.) Inc.
3. Category of Project -- Interstate Natural Gas Pipeline
4. Brief Description of Project -- a 442-mile natural gas pipeline that will extend from the Canadian border across the Southern Tier of New York State to New York City and will provide a portion of the additional infrastructure that is required to meet the Northeast's increasing requirements for affordable and clean-burning natural gas.

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5. Federal and State Permitting and Consulting Agencies

Federal Agencies

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission -- application for authorizations under the Natural Gas Act pending since December 22, 1997

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers -- application for authorizations under the Clean Water Act and the Rivers and Harbors Act pending since November 16, 1998

U.S. Department of Commerce, National Marine Fisheries Service -- consultation under the Endangered Species Act and the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act

U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service -- consultation under the Endangered Species Act

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation -- consultation under the National Historic Preservation Act

State Agencies

New York Department of Environmental Conservation -- authorizations under the Clean Water Act granted on December 8, 1999

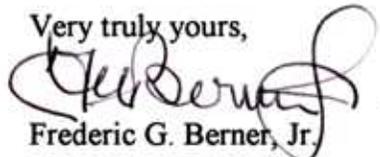
New York Department of State -- application for authorizations under the Coastal Zone Management Act pending since November 16, 1998

New York Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation -- consultation under the National Historic Preservation Act

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection -- authorizations under the Clean Water Act and the Coastal Zone Management Act granted on March 29, 2000 and April 6, 2000, respectively

Pennsylvania Department of Historic Preservation -- consultation under the National Historic Preservation Act

Very truly yours,



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