

September 23, 2010

Dear (*Landowner*):

As you are aware, on August 26, 2010, Empire Pipeline, Inc. ("Empire") filed an application with the Federal Regulatory Commission (FERC) at Docket Number CP10-493-000 for authorization to construct the Tioga County Extension Project. This project will include the installation of approximately 16 miles of new natural gas pipeline from Steuben County, NY, to Tioga County, PA, an interconnection with Tennessee Gas Pipeline in Hopewell, NY, and the replacement of approximately 1.3 miles of existing pipeline in Victor, NY.

From the very beginning, Empire's top priority has been our commitment to the FERC pre-filing process and to landowner outreach and involvement. Last November, in advance of entering into the pre-filing process, Empire voluntarily held an Open House meeting in Corning, NY. Our goal was to involve you, the landowner, in the initial planning stages of the project and to educate you on the FERC pre-filing process. We also wanted to let you know that our Land Agents would be contacting you to request your permission to survey your property. The collaborative effort between Land Agents and landowners enabled us to determine a preferred pipeline route that satisfied both parties.

Empire has recently become aware of another pipeline project, proposed by a different company that appears to involve at least some of the same landowners we have worked with. Empire wants to make it clear to you that this is not a part of the Tioga County Extension Project. Empire does not use the survey permission process described in their letter, and we are not providing them with rights-of-way. We are, however, committed to our continued outreach and collaboration with you. Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me, or one of our project team members.

We appreciate your cooperation and your willingness to work with us over the past 11 months. We look forward to continuing this relationship as the Tioga County Extension Project moves forward.

Sincerely,

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