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**By Electronic Mail**

April 8, 2016

Matthew A. Beaton, Secretary  
Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA)  
Attn: MEPA Office, Purvi Patel, Analyst  
100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900  
Boston, MA 02114

**Re: *Single Environmental Impact Report (SEIR)- EEA No. 15445***  
***NGRID- Mid Cape Main Replacement Project***  
**Towns of Harwich, Brewster, Dennis, Yarmouth**  
**(CCC Project No. 15022)**

Dear Secretary Beaton:

The Cape Cod Commission re-iterates its support for the Project articulated in its letter on the EENF, and supports the issuance of a Certificate on the SEIR that the SEIR is adequate and the Project properly complies with MEPA, subject to Section 61 findings on the Project to be included in the Certificate.

The Commission suggests that the SEIR adequately responds to and addresses general issues raised in the Commission's EENF comment letter.

In addition to other commitments by the applicant articulated in the SEIR and the EENF, when the Project moves forward to direct regulatory review by the Commission, the applicant should have prepared a construction equipment re-fueling protocol. This protocol should, among other things, recognize special water resource areas in which the Project is to occur (such as Zone 1's; Wellhead Protection Areas/ Zone 2's; proximate waterbodies, wetlands and buffer zones thereto; Potential Public Water Supply Areas identified in Barnstable County's Regional Policy Plan; and properties likely served by private wells as identified in the SEIR); corresponding safeguards to prevent releases, including within and to these special water resource areas; inclusion of a map identifying properties likely served by private wells; and emergency spill response provisions in the event that there is a release, including within and to these special water resource areas.

The applicant should also further detail in its application to the Commission erosion and sedimentation control and other environmental protection measures associated with construction, including for properties likely served by private wells as identified in the SEIR.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the above-referenced SEIR. Cape Cod Commission staff is available and happy to answer any questions about these comments.

Sincerely,



Kristy Senatori  
Deputy Director

Cc: Project File  
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Yarmouth, Dennis, Harwich and Brewster Town Administrators/ Managers via USPS