



March 28, 2017

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street NE, Room 1A
Washington, D.C. 20426

**RE: Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC
Docket No. CP16-10-000
Access Easement Application**

Dear Secretary Bose:

The Virginia Outdoors Foundation (VOF) provided comments, via formal letter, to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on December 19, 2016 and January 10, 2017 concerning the above-mentioned project. Our comments, based on information provided by Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC (MVP), acknowledged and described changes to the project whereby a permanent access easement for an industrial scale road is now being sought through a protected VOF open-space easement in Roanoke County, Virginia.

Due to the incompatible use related to this permanent industrial road and the terms of the VOF open-space easement MVP was instructed to complete an application for the conversion of Open Space pursuant to Virginia Code Section 10.1-1704. As of the date of this letter VOF has not yet received said application from MVP.

We bring this matter to your attention due to our concerns and anticipations associated with the development of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). A significant component of the open-space conversion process is mitigation, primarily in the form of substitute land, and in our experience the Commonwealth's interests are best served when such mitigation is identified and made part of the FEIS. We urge the FERC to postpone publication of the FEIS until such

mitigation has been identified and shared with our Board of Trustees, or until MVP withdraws their interest in a permanent access road through our open-space easement.

VOF appreciates the opportunity to provide comments and we hope this information will assist FERC. Please contact me at 804-577-3337 or via email at mlittle@vofonline.org with any questions, comments or concerns.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Martha Little". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Martha Little
Deputy Director

CC [EMAIL ONLY]:

- Rachel Williams, Senior Environmental Specialist, Nextera Energy Resources
- Brett Glymph, Executive Director, VOF