Town of Roseboom 126 County Hwy. 50 Cherry Valley, NY 13320

Docket # CP14-497-000

The Town of Roseboom hereby requests the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to extend the official comment period for the Dominion Transmission, Inc. proposed New Market Project with an additional Public Scoping Hearing near the Brookman Corners expansion project.

Whereas, Dominion Transmission, Inc. has proposed a significant expansion of natural gas processing and transport facilities affecting large areas of our state via the proposed "New Market Project"; and

Whereas, the largest of the three proposed compressor stations would be located just to the north of Otsego County, at Brookman Corners in Montgomery County, only 12 miles from the Town of Roseboom's border; and

Whereas the continuous emissions of methane, benzene, toluene and other volatile organic compounds from this greatly expanded compressor station, powered by 18,500 hp engines, threatens the air quality of the Town of Roseboom and the health of its residents; and

Whereas, the Town of Roseboom has only recently found out about Dominion's plans for this compressor station expansion;

Therefore, the Town of Roseboom feels the single FERC public hearing in Georgetown, NY to be inadequate, considering the scope of the proposed project and its possible ill effects, and calls for an additional hearing in Montgomery or Otsego County, with an extension of the official time period for acceptance of public comments and concerns.

Furthermore, the Town of Roseboom taking into account this project's dimensions resulting in significant air pollution and other threats to public health, including explosion risks, considers the abbreviated Environmental Assessment (EA) to be inadequate and calls for a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) of Dominion Transmission's proposed "New Market Project."

Supervisor:

Councilperson:

Patti Gustafson

Curtis VandeWerker

Karen Donnelly

Timothy Hotaling

Allegra Schecter

RESOLUTION 2015-04

<u>TOWN RESOLUTION 2015 - #04</u> The Town Board approves to submit a Public Comment to DEC – as regards to the proposed Constitution gas transmission Pipeline

WHEREAS: at the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Roseboom, County of Otsego, State of New York, held at the South Valley Fellowship Hall, Rte 165- South Valley, New York 13320, on the 08th day of January 2015, at 6:30 pm; there were:

PRESENT: Supervisor Patti Gustafson, Council Person Curtis VanDewerker, and Council Person Allegra Schecter, Council Person Karen Donnelly, Council Person Charles Diamond Absent/Excused: Council Person

COUNCIL PERSON <u>Schecter</u> offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

- WHEREAS, the Town Board for the Town of Roseboom finds that the residents of the Town of Roseboom have made their voices heard regarding the need to preserve the rural character of the Town of Roseboom., and
- WHEREAS, the Town of Roseboom passed a *Protection of Rural Environment Law* in 2012, and
- WHEREAS, the Town Board has taken this issue under consideration and feels there is a need to submit a Public Comment to the DEC as regards the proposed Constitution gas transmission Pipeline.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, the Town Board for the Town of Roseboom requests that clean water quality assessments be among the issues considered by any and all regulatory agencies reviewing projects proposed within the Town which include natural gas exploration, production, waste products, transmission, storage, or delivery, and be it further
- **RESOLVED**, to request that certification or permits issued by said regulatory agencies include requirements for reasonable mitigation of significant adverse health impacts reported in said comprehensive assessments, and be it further
- **RESOLVED**, to request that the inability to include comprehensive health impact assessments in the course of reviewing natural gas proposals be considered by regulatory agencies to be a significant omission in the data available for review, and be it further
- **RESOLVED**, to submit this Resolution together with the attached Documentation, in a timely manner and in the form of a Public Comment to the DEC as regards the proposed Constitution Pipeline.

Seconded by Council Person <u>VanDewrker</u> and duly put to a vote, this resulted as follows:

	4 AYES	1 <u>NAYES</u>
SUPERVISOR:		Patti Gustafson
COUNCILPERSON:		Karen Donnelly
		Curtis VanDewerker
		Allegra Schecter
		Charles Diamond
TOWN CLERK:		SEAL