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December 10, 2018

Mr. Robert F. Appleman
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Illinois Department of Natural Resources
1 Natural Resources Way
Springfield, IL 62702

RE: Request for Renewal of Categorical Clearance Agreement for Pipeline Construction and Maintenance Activities in Illinois

Dear Mr. Appleman,

To fulfill Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) regulations, Southwest Gas Storage Company (Southwest) must comply with the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and the Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 for any project authorized under FERC. Southwest respectfully requests renewal of the categorical archeological and historical clearance for pipeline construction and maintenance activities in Illinois. The enclosed document details the routine pipeline construction and maintenance activities for which the exemption covers. A map detailing the location of the pipeline route in Morgan County is also enclosed.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 713-989-7472 or kerry.asteris@energytransfer.com if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Kerry Asteris

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Environmental Scientist

Enclosures

**Southwest Gas Storage Company (Company)
Categorical Clearance Agreement
Archeological and Historic Review
Procedures for Projects in Illinois**

- 1) For the following types of projects, there will be no need to consult with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO):
 - a) Where ground disturbing activities are limited to the existing ROW, including the installation, maintenance, relocation, or abandonment and removal of taps, meters, regulators, valves, pipe and points of delivery (POD).
 - b) Construction and/or maintenance project within existing, generally fenced compressor stations, metering-and-regulating stations, and gas processing plants, and the installation of field compressors or dehydrators on existing ROW;
 - c) Use of existing access roads and existing ROW for access to construction and/or maintenance projects including minor upgrades such as adding gravel and/or regrading. Existing cultivated farmland or grassland may also be utilized to access these sites; and
 - d) The acquisition of existing facilities by lease or purchase (no new ROW required).
- 2) For projects not meeting the above-listed criteria, the Company would consult with the SHPO to obtain a project-specific clearance.
- 3) For projects located on Federal lands, the land managing agency will take the lead in all consultations with the SHPO.
- 4) This agreement will remain effective for a period of two years from the latter signatory date, unless amended or terminated by either party with 30 days written notice.

Kerry Asteris 12/10/2018
Kerry Asteris Date
Environmental Scientist
Southwest Gas Storage Company

Robert F. Appleman 02.15.19
Robert F. Appleman Date
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Illinois Department of Natural Resources



Southwest Gas pipelines

Southwest Gas Storage Company
Morgan County, Illinois