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Hon. Norman C. Bay and Commissioners
C/o Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 1st Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Nelson County, Virginia – Atlantic Coast Pipeline Project (Resolution R2015-69)

Dear. Chairman Bay, Honorable Commissioners and Secretary Bose:

Please find enclosed from the local government of Nelson County, Virginia, Resolution R2015-69 (“Resolution Petitioning The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission To Comply Fully With Section 106 Of The National Historic Preservation Act Of 1966, To Ensure That The Atlantic Coast Pipeline Avoids Or Minimizes Any Adverse Effects To Historic Districts And Other Historic Properties In Nelson County”), which was approved by the Nelson County Board of Supervisors in regular session conducted on September 8, 2015.

It is requested that the Board of Supervisors’ resolution become a part of the public record on the proposed Atlantic Coast Pipeline Project and that the Commission and FERC staff give close and careful attention to the provisions of R2015-69, which petitions the Commission not only to insure the ACP Project fully complies with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, but also provides a concise narrative of the importance and value of cultural and historic resources, tourism and (the) natural beauty of Nelson County to its local government and its citizens.

Nelson County relies upon you and the staff of FERC to insure every aspect of the proposed Atlantic Coast Pipeline Project in its efforts to secure approval of the project from the Commission fully complies with federal law and regulation.

Please do not hesitate to contact the below signed should additional information be required pertinent to the enclosed resolution from Nelson County.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen A. Carter". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Stephen A. Carter
County Administrator

Cc: Board of Supervisors, Nelson County
Mr. Bill Scarpinato, Jr. Manager, Environmental, Atlantic Coast Pipeline
Hon. Terrence R. McAuliffe, Governor of Virginia
Hon. Molly Ward, Secretary of Natural Resources, Virginia
Hon. Robert Hurt, U.S. House of Representatives
Hon. Mark R. Warner, U.S. Senate
Hon. Tim Kaine, U.S. Senate
Hon. R. Creigh Deeds, Senate of Virginia
Hon. Richard Bell, Virginia House of Delegates
Hon. Matthew Farris, Virginia House of Delegates
Mr. Tim Padalino, Director of Planning and Zoning, Nelson County
Ms. Susan A. King, Dominion Resources, Inc.



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RESOLUTION R2015-69
NELSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RESOLUTION PETITIONING THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
TO COMPLY FULLY WITH SECTION 106 OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIC
PRESERVATION ACT OF 1966, AS AMENDED, TO ENSURE THAT THE ATLANTIC
COAST PIPELINE AVOIDS OR MINIMIZES ANY ADVERSE EFFECTS TO HISTORIC
DISTRICTS AND OTHER HISTORIC PROPERTIES IN NELSON COUNTY

WHEREAS, Nelson County is safeguard to an outstanding Virginia legacy of historic places that are listed on the Virginia Landmarks Register and National Register of Historic Places or have been determined to be eligible for listing on the state and national registers, and

WHEREAS, Nelson's historic places are authentic historic sites where important local, state and national events took place; where historic personages of great renown lived; where exist historic plantation seats and their farmlands which have been farmed intensively for over three centuries; where every period and style of architecture is displayed in living outdoor classrooms; and where significant prehistoric and historic archaeological sites like the Monacan sites on the James or the burials of enslaved people near old Warminster evince a continuum of human settlement by Native Americans, Europeans and African-Americans in Nelson over thousands of years, and

WHEREAS, Nelson's historic places tell unique Nelson stories and recall the historic and cultural contributions of Nelson families, and bring our heritage home to our children and fellow citizens, and

WHEREAS, Nelson's historic places have high value to a broad spectrum of Virginians and visitors who are drawn to the authenticity and richness of our historic places,

WHEREAS, Nelson's rural economy with its reliance on a local tourism industry is fundamentally reliant upon an intact authentic rural landscape, unspoiled Blue Ridge Mountain scenery and high quality public landscapes managed for outdoor recreation, scenic value and environmental health, and

WHEREAS, it is the policy and goal of Nelson County to preserve and protect the historic character and features of Nelson County and a stated principle under that goal is to recognize and honor the stewardship of historic properties and sites through Historic Designation programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy and goal of Nelson County to encourage and establish historic districts in Nelson in support of the County's tourism program and to protect their historic, architectural and cultural significance, and

WHEREAS, it is the policy and stated goal of Nelson County to support and encourage tourism as a viable means to diversify Nelson's economy, and to promote historic sites that are accessible to the public and to promote local greenways and other recreational opportunities, and

WHEREAS, the designation of Nelson's rural historic districts recognizes the historic importance and continuing vitality of Nelson's agricultural economy; and

WHEREAS, proposed routes and alternative routes for the Atlantic Coast Pipeline directly intersect and threaten to affect adversely rural historic districts and other historic properties that are on or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, open and transparent project planning and coordination among governmental agencies as well as sound resource-based planning and decision making are vital to the preservation of Nelson's historic places.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Nelson County Board of Supervisors petitions the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to comply fully with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, to ensure that the Atlantic Coast Pipeline avoids or minimizes any adverse effects to historic districts as well as to other historic properties in Nelson County; to seek and consider the public's views of the Atlantic Coast Pipeline at every stage of the federal review process including the views of designated representatives of Nelson County, the Nelson County Historical Society, the Rockfish Valley Foundation and the Monacan Indian Nation as consulting parties; to consult closely with every federal agency and state agency that has stewardship responsibility for some aspect of the historic, cultural and natural resources affected by this project; to consider the impacts of this project on historic buildings, historic structures, historic districts and archaeological sites, historic cemeteries, burial grounds, cultural landscapes and view sheds that could be directly or indirectly impacted adversely by this project; to employ state of the art elevation modelling and photo simulation to show the visual impact of the project on the cultural landscape of Nelson County; and to take account of those visual and all other impacts in evaluating preferred responsible routes for the Atlantic Coast Pipeline in Nelson County; .

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Nelson County Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Nelson County Board of Supervisors to send a copy of this resolution to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Governor of Virginia Terry McAuliffe, Secretary of Natural Resources Molly Ward, Director of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources Julie V. Langan, Virginia Senator Creigh Deeds, Virginia Delegate Richard Bell, Virginia Delegate Matthew Fariss, Chairman of the President's Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Milford Wayne Donaldson, U. S. Senator Mark Warner, U.S. Senator Tim Kaine, U.S. Congressman Robert Hurt, Atlantic Coast Pipeline LLC, and Dominion Transmission, Inc.

Adopted September 8, 2015

Attest: Stephen A. [Signature] Clerk
Nelson County Board of Supervisors