## FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

In Reply Refer To: OEP/DG2E/Gas 4 WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. Wahpeton Expansion Project Docket No. CP22-466-000

July 1, 2024

VIA FERC Service

Lori Myerchin Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Transportation Services WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. 1250 West Century Avenue P.O. Box 5601 Bismarck, ND 58506-5601

## **Re:** Approval of Variance Request

Dear Ms. Myerchin:

I grant your June 27, 2024 request for WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. (WBI Energy) to implement the variances described below for the Wahpeton Expansion Project in Cass and Richland Counties, North Dakota:

- Extend Bore #7 to include Bore #8 as one continuous guided bore;
- Add additional temporary workspace (ATWS) east of MP 4.63 for the fabrication of the longer guided bore pipe string; and
- Remove approved ATWS south of 36th Street SE and north of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway tracks.

Your request is in compliance with environmental condition 5 of the Commission's October 23, 2023 *Order Issuing Certificate* (Order) in the abovereferenced docket. In addition, we have confirmed that WBI Energy has obtained landowner approval and is in receipt of all federal authorizations relevant to the approved activities herein. I remind you that WBI Energy must comply with all applicable remaining terms and conditions of the Order. If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 502-8312.

Sincerely,

David Hanobic Project Manager, Division of Gas - Environment and Engineering