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Department of Environmental Quality
Attn: Michael Mussomeli
1111 East Main Street
Richmond, VA 23219

Re: MVP Southgate Amendment Project, Agency Comment

Dear Mr. Mussomeli:

This will respond to the request for comments regarding the Agency Comment for the MVP Southgate Amendment Project, prepared by Burns & McDonnell, on behalf of Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC. Specifically, Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC has proposed to install 31.3 miles of 30-inch diameter natural gas pipeline via open-cut trenching and bored crossing methods beginning at the proposed Lambert Interconnect in Pittsylvania County, Virginia, extending south to North Carolina.

We received the applicant's Joint Permit Application (JPA) information on April 14, 2025 (JPA #2025-0752). This project is in the JPA review process and will require a permit from this agency for the proposed submerged land encroachments for bored crossings. Please be advised that the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC), pursuant to §28.2-1200 et seq of the Code of Virginia, has jurisdiction over encroachments in, on, or over the beds of the bays, ocean, rivers, streams, or creeks which are the property of the Commonwealth. Accordingly, if any portion of the subject project involves any encroachments channelward of ordinary high water along non-tidal, natural rivers and streams with a drainage area greater than 5-square miles, a permit may be required from our agency or the Department of Environmental Quality. Any jurisdictional impacts will be reviewed by the VMRC during the JPA process.

Please contact me at (757) 247-2285 or by email at claire.gorman@mrc.virginia.gov if you have questions. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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