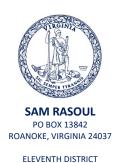
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October 6, 2021

Members of the Virginia Air Pollution Control Board CC: Mr. David K. Paylor Director, Department of Environmental Quality 1111 East Main Street, Suite 1400 Richmond, VA 23219

Re: Mountain Valley Pipeline's "Lambert Compressor Station" Air permit, Registration No. 21652

Dear Members of the Virginia Air Pollution Control Board and Director Paylor,

On behalf of our constituents, and members of the public who would be adversely impacted by emissions from the proposed Lambert Compressor Station, we write to ask for the denial of the air permit application, Registration No. 21652, before the Board at an upcoming Quarterly Air Pollution Control Board Meeting.

We echo the serious concerns raised by the public during the open comment period, including that environmental justice issues were inadequately addressed, public outreach and community engagement efforts during the review process were lacking, and that site suitability analysis was insufficient.

As reflected in over 300 submissions from the public regarding the project application, including comments from technical and health experts, the Compressor Station would have disproportionate adverse impacts on the affected community. Members of that same community indicated they did not receive timely notice of the project, nor receive authentic outreach. As meaningful engagement with impacted communities is a foundational aspect of the Virginia Environmental Justice Act, we are especially concerned.

Additional concerns were raised by experts regarding the application's non-compliance with air permitting requirements for the Station, including the absence of BACT analysis and modeling requirements for all areas of ambient air, and that site suitability analysis may not have adequately addressed social and economic impacts from this potential new source of greenhouse gas emissions. Emissions from compressor stations contain toxic materials and any proposed project that would introduce new health hazards into a community should be very carefully considered. A project's potential impacts and contribution to cumulative impacts must be weighed against any arguments as to its necessity.

In light of these community and expert concerns regarding process, application content, and potential health and environmental impacts, we respectfully urge the Board to deny the permit.

Sincerely,

Delegate Sam Rasoul, 11th District

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