



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

October 26, 2011

Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership  
c/o Mr. Rich Adams  
Vice President, Operations  
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1409 Hammond Ave.  
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**Re: Approval with Modifications of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership's October 13, 2011 requested modification of the 2011 Air Monitoring and Sampling Addendum dated June 21, 2011 submitted in response to the Administrative Order issued by U.S. EPA on July 27, 2010 and Supplement to the Administrative Order issued by U.S. EPA on September 23, 2010, pursuant to §311(c) of the Clean Water Act (Docket No. CWA 1321-5-10-001).**

Dear Mr. Adams:

On October 13, 2011 Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership, Enbridge Pipelines (Lakehead) L.L.C., Enbridge Pipelines (Wisconsin), and Enbridge Energy Partners, L.P. (herein collectively referred to as "Enbridge") submitted a letter to U.S. EPA requesting a modification of the 2011 Air Monitoring and Sampling Addendum dated June 21, 2011.

U.S. EPA has completed its review of the requested modification; specifically to "indefinitely suspend all Community Air Sampling and Monitoring activities, Work Area Monitoring, and eliminate River Opening Sampling, effective immediately."

Although EPA does not agree with Enbridge's justification for the requested suspension of air monitoring and sampling, EPA agrees that a decrease in the prescribed level of air monitoring and sampling under the current plan is warranted based on EPA's own review of the daily air monitoring and sampling data. Therefore, pursuant to Paragraph 18 of the Order and Paragraph 6 of the Supplement, U.S. EPA approves the Enbridge request with modifications described below.

- Remove the term "indefinitely". Air monitoring and sampling will be required when work ramp-up in the spring occurs, as approved by U.S. EPA.
- Air monitoring must be continued in current work areas to ensure that workers are not exposed to unacceptable levels of oil-related contaminants; specifically during excavations such as Talmadge Creek MP 0.5, MP 2.75 and 6.0, the island at MP 15.0, and any other pending work areas.

- Work area perimeter sampling must be performed in areas in close proximity to residential areas as directed by U.S.EPA.
- The plans to assess acetaldehyde air levels must still be completed as requested by the Michigan Department of Community Health in a letter dated August 23, 2011 and discussed during the 29 August meeting with U.S. EPA and MDCH representatives.
- Odor complaint response capability must be maintained as required in the *2011 Air Monitoring and Sampling Addendum to the Sampling and Analysis Plan, Submitted: June 15, 2011, Approved: June 21, 2011*

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact me immediately at (231) 301-0559.

Sincerely,



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