NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to: Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1341(a)(1); Article VII of the New York State Public Service Law; 6 NYCRR Section 608.9

Certification Issued to: Greenidge Pipeline LLC, and Greenidge Pipeline Properties Corporation
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Project Description and Location

Greenidge Pipeline LLC and Greenidge Pipeline Properties Corporation (collectively the "Pipeline Companies") propose to construct 24,318 feet of 8-inch steel pipeline and associated facilities, including a tap, metering station and regulating station (the Pipeline). The Pipeline will connect to National Fuel Gas Company's Empire Connector, a 24-inch diameter pipeline in the Town of Milo and will include associated aboveground facilities for metering at the tap location near Himrod Road. The Facility will be designed and tested for a 1440 psig MAOP but will initially operate at Empire's line pressure of approximately 800 psig. Pipeline pressure will be reduced immediately prior to delivery to the Greenidge Power Plant at a new metering station that will be constructed on the existing Greenidge power plant property. No compression is proposed as part of this project. The location of the Facility is described in detail in the administrative record of PSC Case 15-T-0586.

The project Right of Way (ROW) will cross four wetlands and make eight stream crossings. Two of the wetlands identified along the ROW were isolated wetlands and are therefore not regulated under the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA). The other two wetlands, located along swales that drained to unnamed tributaries to Keuka Lake outlets, were therefore connected to Relatively Permanent Waters, and are be considered federally-regulated wetland. All of the watercourse crossings identified during the wetland survey are unnamed tributaries to Keuka Lake Outlet and include intermittent and perennial flowing streams. Construction, operation and maintenance of the Facility will be in accordance with the Article VII Certificate in Case 15-T-0586, so these resources will be protected by complying with the conditions described in the Article VII Certificate (including the Environmental Management and Construction Standards and Practices ("EM&CS&P") document adopted by the Pipeline Companies, which is referred to in the Certificate).

Certification

The New York Public Service Commission certifies, pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1341(a)(1), and Article VII of the New York State Public Service Law, that construction of the Facility, as conditioned herein, will
comply with applicable requirements of §§ 301, 302, 303, 306 and 307 of the Clean Water Act, as amended, and the applicable New York State water quality standards, limitations, criteria, and other requirements set forth in 6 NYCRR §608.9(a) and Parts 701 through 704, provided that all of the conditions listed herein are met. This certification is issued in conjunction with the Article VII Certificate granted to the Pipeline Companies and is based on the record of Case 15-T-0586.

**Conditions**

1. No in-water work shall commence until all pre-construction conditions relating to such work contained in the Certificate in Case 15-T-0586 have been met to the satisfaction of the New York Department of Public Service.

2. Construction and operation of the Facility shall at all times be in conformance with (a) the Application in Case 15-T-0586, to the degree not modified or superseded by the terms and conditions of the order granting the Certificate in Case 15-T-0586, (b) all terms and conditions of approval contained in the order granting such Certificate, and (c) the EM&CS&P adopted by the Pipeline Companies, to the extent such documents referenced above pertain to the Pipeline Companies' compliance with New York State Water Quality Standards necessary and appropriate for issuance of, and compliance with, this Certification.

3. The Pipeline Companies shall provide a copy of this certification to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, along with copies of the Application, Certificate, and EM&CS&P document applicable to Case 15-T-0586, so that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will have a complete record of the conditions that apply to this Certification.

4. The Pipeline Companies shall provide to all construction contractors performing work on the Facility complete copies of the Article VII Certificate, the EM&CS&P document, and this certification.

Certified by:

[Signature]

Date: 01/23/16

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