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To: Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs*
Director, Fish and Wildlife Service
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Director, Geological Survey
Director, Office of Surface Mining
Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation

From: Team Leader, Natural Resources Management
Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance

Subject: Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Proposed Dominion Cove Point LNG Expansion Project, (Docket No. PF04-15-000), Calvert, Prince George's, and Charles Counties, Maryland; Juniata, Mifflin, Huntingdon, Centre, Clinton, Greene, Potter, and Franklin Counties, Pennsylvania; Loudoun County, Virginia; and Gilmer County, West Virginia
(ER 04/776) (Agency due date: November 23, 2004)

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has provided a notice of intent to prepare an EIS for this project. You may view the notice at: www.ferc.gov/Ferris.htm (general search, issuance, filed 10/14/2004, natural gas, text search: Edna Horsepower) or Docket Search: http://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/docket_search.asp, Docket Number: CP04-420.

This notice gives you an early opportunity to provide technical assistance and/or to participate from your areas of special expertise or jurisdiction. If significant involvement is indicated, you should also participate in the follow-up scoping activities.

Comments should be made directly to the person/address listed in the notice by **November 23, 2004**. Please provide a copy of any comments you make to this Office.

A related review is under ER 03/0233 (NOI).

/s/ 10/21/04
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