State of Michigan
Department of Environmental Quality

Water Resource Division
2100 West M-32
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Application Number: 2HB-VGK0-35JE

Date: August 8, 2016

PUBLIC NOTICE

Enbridge Energy, 1320 Grand Avenue, Superior, Wisconsin 54880, has applied to this office for a permit under authority of Part 325, Great Lakes Submerged Lands, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (NREPA). The applicant proposes to drill support structures under two existing parallel pipelines, designated as Line 5, on the bottom of Lake Michigan for the purpose of maintaining the integrity and safety of the existing structure in unsupported spans. The project site is beneath the Straits of Mackinac, along the 21,000 foot line between Point La Barbe in the Upper Peninsula and McGulpin Point in the Lower Peninsula. Helical anchoring structures approximately five feet wide will be saddle mounted around the 20 inch pipelines and augered directly into the lake bed at up to 22 locations. Additional locations may require anchoring as identified during corresponding inspection of the pipelines. Work will be conducted from barges, with certified divers overseeing the installation and is proposed to take place over a 30 day period starting in fall 2016. The project is located in T39N, R4W, Sections 10, 11, Wawatam Township, Emmet County,T40N. R4W, Section 25, Moran Township, Mackinac County Michigan, in accordance with plans attached to this notice.

THIS NOTICE IS NOT A PERMIT

The proposed project may also be regulated by one or more additional parts of the NREPA that are administered by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Water Resources Division (WRD). The requirements of all applicable parts are considered in determining if a permit can be issued.

When a permit application is received requesting authorization to work in or over the Great Lakes waters of the State of Michigan, pursuant to Part 325 of the NREPA, the NREPA provides that the DEQ submit copies for review to the department of public health; the city, village, or township and county where the project is to be located; the local soil conservation district; any local watershed council organized under Part 311, Local River Management, of the NREPA. Additional notification is provided to certain persons as required by statute or determined by the DEQ.

Those persons wanting to make comments on the proposed project shall furnish this office with their written comments no later than 20 days from the date of this notice. Written comments will be made part of the record and should reference the above application number. Objections must be factual, specific, and fully describe the reasons upon which any objection is founded. Unless a written request is filed with the DEQ within the 20-day public comment period, the DEQ may make a decision on the application without a public hearing. The determination as to whether a permit will be issued or a public hearing held will be based on an evaluation of all relevant factors, including the public comments received and the effect of the proposed work on the public trust or interest, including navigation, fish, wildlife, and pollution. The specific permit decision criteria can be found in the Parts of NREPA applicable to this application and listed above. Copies of these Parts of NREPA are located at www.michigan.gov/jointpermit. Public comments received will also be considered.

The entire copy of the public notice package may be viewed at the WRD's district office listed on the top of this public notice or online at: https://miwaters.deq.state.mi.us/miwaters/#/external/publicnotice/search. To access the public notice page online, search for the public notice by location or applicant name, and view by clicking on the "Documents" tab. Comments may be sent electronically by clicking on the "Add Comment" tab. A hard copy of the public notice may be requested by calling the above number.

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