

Attachment A:

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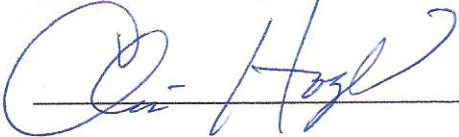
I, Clint R. Hogbin, declare and state as follows:

1. My name is Clint R. Hogbin and I am the Chairman of the Berkeley County Solid Waste Authority (BCSWA).
2. In my position as Chairman of the BCSWA, I received a phone call on July 15, 2020 from a representative from Mountaineer Gas Company ("Mountaineer") inquiring of any potential interest by the BCSWA in allowing for the siting of a compressed natural gas ("CNG") facility on land owned by the BCSWA. The Mountaineer representative expressed potential interest in the utilization of up to one acre of land along the property's edge, near an old closed landfill and near the current location of a large scale recycling operations known as the Grapevine Road Recycling Center.
3. The recently completed Mountaineer Gas Pipeline that was designed to connect to the Eastern Panhandle Expansion Project runs underneath the location in which Mountaineer expressed interest. Based on the phone conversation, I understand that the proposed site on BCSWA property would allow compressed natural gas arriving on trucks to be decompressed and then injected into the existing pipeline. Additionally, I understand from Mountaineer that other nearby suitable locations were also likely available to Mountaineer should the BCSWA desire to not advance discussions about the proposed facility.
4. A paved private access road known as Landfill Drive runs to the proposed location on BCSWA property that could allow for truck access to the facility. However, these trucks would need to co-mingle with the day to day traffic of the Grapevine Road Recycling Center and local residents utilizing the road to access their homes.
5. The Mountaineer representative informed me that the proposed site on BCWSA property would accept CNG, as opposed to liquefied natural gas ("LNG"). I understand from my conversations with the representative that Mountaineer had a separate facility in neighboring Morgan County that was available to accept LNG during the winter of 2019-2020. The representative informed me that the LNG injection site in Morgan County was temporary for the duration of the winter and that the equipment has been removed.
6. The representative expressed interest in a three- to five-year lease with the potential option to purchase the land in the future.
7. I raised Mountaineer's interest with the full BCSWA Board at our regularly scheduled July 15, 2020 meeting. Minutes from that meeting will be publicly available after they are

considered and approved at the next Board meeting, currently scheduled for August 19, 2020, and then subsequently signed by the Secretary.

8. The BCSWA discussed the issue and expressed concerns and reservations about the proposed CNG facility. On July 16, 2020, I notified Mountaineer of the BCSWA's desire to not proceed with further discussions in regard to hosting the proposed facility on BCSWA property.

Executed on this ²⁹ day of July, 2020.



Clint R. Hogbin
Chairman