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May 10, 2013

Mr. Ralph Dollhopf
Federal On-Scene Coordinator and Incident Commander
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
801 Garfield Avenue, #229
Traverse City, MI 49686

Re: In the Matter of Enbridge Energy Partners, L.P., et al, Docket No. CWA 1321-5-13-001

Dear Mr. Dollhopf:

Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership (Enbridge) is requesting additional time to provide complete dredge permit applications to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) pursuant to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) directive dated May 8, 2013. The Work Plan itself does not provide sufficient detail to serve as the basis for a complete permit application. The approach in the Work Plan must be translated into detailed, site-specific activity descriptions, including quantification of the regulated environmental impacts that can be attached to the permit application forms.

While the Work Plan identifies areas of concern and potential dredge depths (with a contingency), the equipment necessary to carry out the work may be required to dredge their way from location to location. This requirement necessitates development of dredge paths for the permit application (avoiding sensitive areas where possible), and calculation of additional volumes within dredge paths between the moderate and heavy sheen polygons. In some cases, these additional volumes will likely be substantial, possibly requiring adjustments to the dredge pad sizes and layouts. Only after all these additional steps are taken and the regulated activities are fully detailed, can development of the necessary calculations, analysis, and graphics be finalized and complete permit applications developed. This same process must be carried out for each of the five dredge areas.

Therefore, Enbridge is requesting to extend the submittal date for the five dredge permit applications to the MDEQ to May 27, 2013. Enbridge does anticipate completing the Work Plan by May 13, 2013 as directed.

Please contact myself or Enbridge's Incident Commander John Sobojinski if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

ENBRIDGE ENERGY, LIMITED
PARTNERSHIP
By Enbridge Pipelines (Lakehead) L.L.C.
Its General Partner

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