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RE: NEPA Scoping Comments for Docket No. PF15-6 Atlantic Coast Pipeline and Docket No PF15-5 Dominion Supply Header project.

The West Virginia Rivers Coalition supports the extensive technical comments submitted jointly by Appalachian Mountain Advocates, Southern Environmental Law Center and Center for Biological Diversity. In addition we urge thorough research and analysis on the following issues in determining the projects' impact on water resources, fisheries and wetlands:

- 1. Identification of all stream, river and wetland crossings along the proposed routes.
- 2. For these identified waters that may be crossed, research:
 - a. the base flow for each;
 - b. those that are listed on West Virginia's most recent Clean Water Act 303(d) listing of impaired streams; and identify those waters that are not on the 303(d) list;
 - c. the most current data from WVDEP from the WV Stream Condition Index assessing biological conditions;
 - d. details on NPDES, and 404 and 401 Clean Water Act permitted sites near these crossings;
 - e. locations of downstream drinking water intakes, the flow and chemistry of the water at those intakes, and the number of customers served by those intakes; and
 - f. the extent of disturbance these crossings pose to identified waters and delineated spring recharge areas.
- 3. Accounting for the impact to affected freshwater streams on the state's fisheries resources, their ecology and economic benefits they support.
- 4. Evaluation of how construction impacts from disturbing streams and wetlands could have a cumulative impact on hydrology and flooding events.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments,

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