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Dear Ms. Souder:

ConocoPhillips (COP) is an international, integrated energy company. It is the third-largest integrated energy company in the United States, based on market capitalization, oil and gas proved reserves and production; and the second-largest refiner in the United States. COP's four core activities, performed by its subsidiaries and joint ventures worldwide, include the following:

- Petroleum exploration and production;
- > Petroleum refining, marketing, supply and transportation;
- Natural gas gathering, processing and marketing; and
- Chemicals and plastics production and distribution.

The success of each of these core activities relies heavily on effective transportation of commodities and products to consumer markets. In light of the need for effective transportation systems, COP appreciates the opportunity to comment on proposed corridor locations for the West-wide Energy Corridor Programmatic EIS (PEIS).

COP transports raw and finished petroleum products, including crude oil, propane and refined products such as gasoline, diesel and jet fuel, via more than 12,000 miles of company operated pipelines in the U.S. Additionally, COP participates in the ownership of thousands of miles of various other pipelines through partnerships and joint ventures. A map depicting the approximate locations of transportation pipelines operated by COP is enclosed.

It is COP's desire that the routes of the existing transportation pipelines it owns, operates and participates in, as well as all other existing pipeline routes identified in the Department of Transportation's (DOT's) National Pipeline Mapping System (NPMS), be designated as energy corridors in the PEIS. As well, COP believes that future planning

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for expansion of existing pipeline transportation systems, as well as creation of new infrastructure systems, is necessary to meet our nation's growing energy needs, particularly in areas undergoing significant growth.

The PEIS preliminary energy corridor map and specific state maps do not contain detailed legal descriptions of the proposed energy corridors, such as Section, Township and Range, making it is difficult to confirm that COP's and all other existing transportation pipeline routes are proposed as energy corridors. It appears, however, that is not the case. It is also difficult to determine whether or not potential, undeveloped energy corridors needed to accommodate expansion of existing pipeline systems or creation of new systems are proposed.

Thus, COP respectfully requests the following revisions to the preliminary corridor map:

- Designation as proposed energy corridors of all existing interstate and intrastate pipeline routes in the eleven affected Western states as identified in the DOT's NMS National Repository, including COP's transportation pipeline routes;
- 2. Designation as proposed energy corridors of all pipeline routes currently in the permit application process;
- 3. Designation as proposed energy corridors of all existing interstate highways. In many instances petroleum pipelines have been excluded from interstate highway rights-of-way. However, such pipelines are a compatible land use and the rightof-way corridors provide a feasible route for construction of pipelines, particularly in areas of difficult geography. Energy corridors along existing interstate highways should include not only the highway rights-of-way but also surrounding property adjacent to these rights-of-way;
- 4. Designation as proposed energy corridors of new corridors necessary to meet the energy demands of areas undergoing significant growth; and
- 5. Inclusion, particularly on the state specific maps, of the legal description for the proposed energy corridors, including Section, Township and Range; and
- 6. Identification of each proposed energy corridor as an existing energy corridor, a corridor currently in the application process or a new, undeveloped energy corridor.

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COP appreciates your consideration of these requests and looks forward to future opportunities to comment on revised corridor locations as well as other aspects of the PEIS process, including compatible uses within proposed energy corridors and corridor widths.

Respectfully,

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Enclosure

Pipelines & Terminals Map

