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August 2, 2010

The Honorable Lisa P. Jackson
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Jackson:

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure is examining the recent rupture of a 30-inch pipeline owned and operated by Enbridge Energy Partners (Line 6B), which resulted in a spill of more than one million gallons of oil into Talmadge Creek and the Kalamazoo River in the State of Michigan. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has assumed the role of the Federal On-Scene Coordinator for this spill.

To help inform the Committee on the incident and issues leading up to, or immediately following, the incident, please provide the Committee with the following documents and information for calendar years 2002 to present:

- Inspection reports and other related data (including all inspector notes), in the possession of the Agency, for the portion of the pipeline (and related facilities) known as the Lakehead System, to include the extension owned by Enbridge Inc., into Toledo, Ohio. Please indicate the inspection reports and other related data that specifically relate to Line 6B.
- A list of all reportable releases on pipelines and related on-shore facilities owned or operated by Enbridge Inc. and its related companies. Please include the dates, locations, and volumes of those releases, and any other information that you feel the Committee should be aware of regarding those releases.
- Any directives, letters, orders, or other correspondence concerning accidents, incidents, or other safety problems between Enbridge, Inc., including its related companies, and EPA.
- A detailed summary of any enforcement actions taken by EPA, or any measure referred to the U.S. Department of Justice for additional action, and any related correspondence regarding Enbridge, Inc. and its related companies.

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- A timeline of the Agency's involvement with respect to the Talmadge Creek spill, to date, a brief summary of all actions taken, to date, by the Agency in responding to the spill.

Please provide the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with the requested documents by August 13, 2010. Please deliver all documents to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 590 Ford House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515. In addition, we ask that you advise the Committee in writing by August 4, 2010, whether you will be able to comply with this request. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Jennifer Esposito with the Committee staff at (202) 225-4472.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



James L. Oberstar
Chairman



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