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Re: Sunoco Twin Oak-Newark Pipeline Sleeve Investigations - **CORRECTED**

Dear Mr. Lethcoe,

Please disregard the September 12, 2025 version of this letter.

We write today to respectfully request an immediate response to our August 11, 2025 letter (attached) and a comprehensive report of the excavation activities planned along the pipeline in Bucks County.

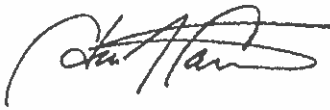
It has been more than one month with no reply to our letter. This week we learned that excavations to investigate these anomalies have been planned in the Mt Eyre Manor neighborhood on Glenwood Road and at a second site near the Delaware Canal.

Additionally, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) has not shared any information about these digging projects nor about the anomalies identified by Sunoco despite requests for information from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Upper Makefield Township and residents.

There are several potential causes and consequences of the anomalies – including additional pipe failures – so it is imperative that you keep us, DEP, Upper Makefield Township and the residents regularly informed on all of the activities PHMSA is requiring of Sunoco and the results of those actions. Further, we are requesting a detailed description of the work that will be done on Glenwood Road and near the Delaware Canal and the nature of the anomalies that lead to this planned excavation.

While PHMSA is the sole government agency (federal or state) with direct oversight of the pipeline's operations, it is critical that you are transparent with these state and local partners and provide timely notification of all activities along this pipeline.

Very truly yours,



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August 11, 2025

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Re: Sunoco Twin Oak-Newark Pipeline Sleeve Investigations

Dear Mr. Lethcoe,

Thank you for your continued engagement with Upper Makefield Township and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection as efforts continue to remediate the contamination that resulted from the Sunoco Twin Oak-Newark Pipeline leak that was identified on January 31, 2025. We write today after receiving concerning news in the August 7, 2025 letter to you from Upper Makefield Township's solicitor that a new anomaly has been identified in the pipeline near the site of the initial leak.

Today we are requesting PHMSA take the following actions:

1. An immediate and complete shutdown of the pipeline until a full investigation has been completed of the anomaly and all sleeves;
2. Compile a comprehensive list of all sleeve locations in Bucks County and the results of all investigations of the anomaly and remaining sleeves and share the list publicly; and,
3. Please note all items that Sunoco/Energy Transfer has yet to complete in compliance with the May 2, 2025 Consent Order and Agreement and share that information publicly.

As you know, the cause of the January 31, 2025 leak has still not been shared with local officials or the impacted residents, nor has there been a confirmation of the amount of product discharged into the ground in this neighborhood. Nearly seven months after the discovery of the leak, Sunoco/Energy Transfer still has not delineated the plume leaving residents in the Mt. Eyre neighborhood and the surrounding area without any confidence that their ground water will ever be safe again.

Hearing once again that there has been an anomaly in this pipeline that has caused PHMSA to require further investigation into the structural integrity of the pipeline calls for immediate action to protect residents drinking water and other serious pollution. How can product continue to flow through this pipeline when there is a serious risk of additional releases?

We are grateful that PHMSA is taking action to require all inspection of all sleeves, but our community has been through too much to allow Sunoco/Energy Transfer to continue to operate this pipeline while there is any concern with its structural integrity. As Sunoco/Energy Transfer has continuously shown themselves to be bad faith actors, we respectfully request that PHMSA be onsite to oversee every step of this investigation and independently verify all results to ensure accuracy.

Our community deserves direct and transparent communication about this current investigation. We respectfully ask that PHMSA provide our offices, as well as all local officials, and the PA DEP, with a full inventory of all pipeline sleeves in Bucks County and that PHMSA commit to providing timely and complete details of the results of the investigation.

Finally, as the sole government agency (federal or state) with oversight of the pipeline's operations, it's imperative that PHMSA act **immediately** to shut down the pipeline and protect residents and the environment from further dangerous petroleum contamination.

Very truly yours,



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