

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation / QEP Field Services, LLC    Case No. PU-17-117  
Transfer of Site Certificate  
Siting Application**

**Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation /QEP Field Services, LLC    Case No. PU-17-157  
Transfer – Certificate #124 & Permit # 133  
Siting Application**

**ORDER ON REISSUING CERTIFICATES AND PERMIT**

**June 30, 2016**

**Preliminary Statement**

On October 19, 2011, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. PU-11-102 designating Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Number 124 and Route Permit Number 133 to Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation for the construction, operation and maintenance of a 6.8 mile, 8-inch diameter crude oil pipeline and associated facilities in Billings and Stark Counties, North Dakota.

On May 28, 2014, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. PU-13-835 designating Certificate of Site Compatibility for Energy Conversion Facility Number 38 to Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation for the construction, operation and maintenance of its 35 acre, 110 Million Standard Cubic Feet per Day (MMSCFD) gas processing plant (the Robinson Lake Gas Plant) in Mountrail County, North Dakota.

On March 29, 2017, in Case No. PU-17-117, Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation (Whiting) and QEP Field Services, (QEP) filed a joint application for transfer of the Certificate of Site Compatibility for Energy Conversion Facility Number 38 from Whiting to QEP.

On April 21, 2017, in Case No. PU-17-157, Whiting and QEP filed a joint application for transfer of the Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Number 124 and the Route Permit Number 133 from Whiting to QEP.

On May 10, 2017, the Commission consolidated Case Nos. PU-17-117 and PU-17-157 for the purpose of hearing and issued a Notice of Opportunity for Consolidated Hearing that provided a deadline of June 23, 2017, for filing written comments or requests for hearing.

The notice indicated the issues to be considered are whether QEP agrees and is able to comply with the terms and conditions of the Orders issuing the Certificates and the Permit to Whiting and whether the requested transfers are compatible with the public interest. No comments or requests for hearing were filed.

### **Discussion**

QEP filed a March 8, 2017 affidavit of James Sanford, Director, Right of Way & Real Estate, on behalf of QEP in Case No. PU-17-117 and an April 17, 2017 affidavit in Case No. 17-157.

Mr. Sanford, in Case No. 17-117, states that QEP Field Services, LLC agrees to assume the rights and obligations of Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 38, including the conditions and limitations set forth in the Commission's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order dated May 28, 2014, issuing Certificate of Site Compatibility No. 38 (Case No. PU-13-835).

Mr. Sanford, in Case No. PU-17-157, states that QEP Field Services, LLC agrees to assume the rights and obligations of Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Number 124 and Route Permit Number 133, including the conditions and limitations set forth in the Recommended Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommended Order, dated October 18, 2011, adopted by the Commission's Order dated October 19, 2011, issuing Certificate of Corridor Compatibility No. 124 and Route Permit No. 133 (Case No. PU-11-102).

The Commission finds that QEP Field Services, LLC has agreed and is able to comply with the terms and conditions of Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 38 and Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Number 124; and with the terms and conditions of Route Permit Number 133.

The Commission finds that the requested transfers are compatible with the public interest.

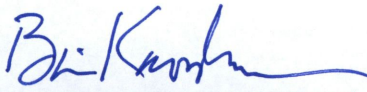
### **Order**

The Commission Orders:

1. The applications for transfer of Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 38 and Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Number 124 are granted.
2. The application for transfer of Route Permit Number 124 is granted.
3. First Reissued Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 38 is issued to QEP Field Services, LLC.

4. First Reissued Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Number 124 and First Reissued Route Permit Number 133 are issued to QEP Field Services, LLC.

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



**Brian Kroshus  
Commissioner**



**Randy Christmann  
Chairman**



**Julie Fedorchak  
Commissioner**

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### **First Reissued Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 38**

*This is to certify that the Commission has designated an energy conversion facility site for QEP Field Services, LLC consisting of:*

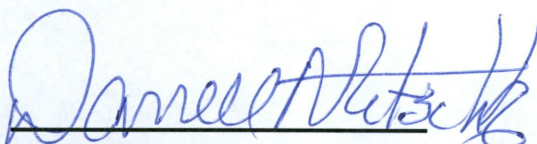
***35 acres for the construction, operation and maintenance of a 110 million cubic feet per day gas processing plant (the Robinson Lake Gas Plant) in Mountrail County, North Dakota.***

*The facility may be located in this designated site in compliance with the energy conversion facility siting criteria. This certificate is issued in accordance with the Finding of Fact, Conclusion of Law and Order of the Commission in Case No. PU-13-835 dated May 28, 2014, and reissued by the Commission's June 30, 2017 Order in Case No. 17-117 and is subject to the conditions and limitations noted in these Orders.*

*Bismarck, North Dakota, June 30, 2017.*

**ATTEST:**

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

  
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**Executive Secretary**

  
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**First Reissued**  
**Certificate of Corridor Compatibility Number 124**

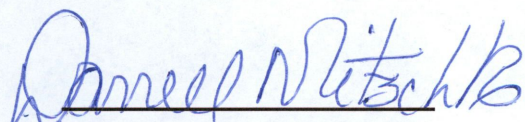
*This is to certify that the Commission has designated a transmission facility corridor for QEP Field Services, LLC for the construction of a 6.8-mile, 8-inch pipeline in Billings and Stark Counties, North Dakota for the transmission of crude oil.*

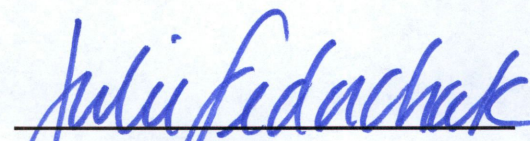
*This certificate is issued in accordance with the Commission's October 19, 2011 Order in Case No. PU-11-102 and reissued by the Commission's June 30, 2017 Order in Case No. 17-157, and is subject to the conditions and limitations noted in these Orders.*

*Bismarck, North Dakota, June 30, 2017.*

**ATTEST:**

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

  
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**First Reissued**  
**Route Permit Number 133**

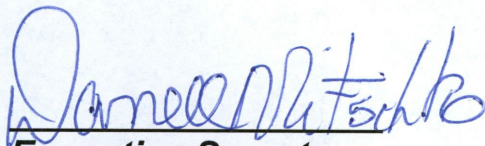
*This is to certify that the Commission has designated a transmission facility route for QEP Field Services, LLC for the construction of a 6.8-mile, 8-inch pipeline in Billings and Stark Counties, North Dakota for the transmission of crude oil.*

*This permit is issued in accordance with the Commission's October 19, 2011 Order in Case No. PU-11-102 and reissued by the Commission's June 30, 2017 Order in Case No. PU-17-157 and is subject to the conditions and limitations noted in these Orders.*

*Bismarck, North Dakota, June 30, 2017.*

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