An Opportunity for $1 Billion in Wages, 10,000 Construction Careers and Abundant, Affordable Energy

The Rover Pipeline will provide the first direct access for Michigan and northern Ohio to the nation’s massive Marcellus Shale natural gas reserves, creating new economic opportunities to communities, workers and businesses in both states.

- The 800-mile project would supply domestically produced natural gas to manufacturers, utilities and distributors to generate heat and electricity for homes and businesses in the Midwest, predominantly in Michigan and northern Ohio.

- The project owner, Energy Transfer Partners, estimates the pipeline would inject $4.3 billion of investment into state and local economies, with $1 billion in direct wages for 10,000 construction workers.

- Landowners along the route are expected to be paid approximately $100 million for easement rights. The project will create an estimated $154 million in tax revenues for states along the route, including property taxes of $73 million in Ohio and $19 million in Michigan.

- The project will increase supplies of natural gas for Ohio residents, who are the eighth largest consumers of the fuel, and for Michigan residents, who are the ninth largest consumers of natural gas in the nation.

Pipelines built by skilled, well-trained crafts workers are the safest way to deliver natural gas – 70 times safer than by truck, according to a recent Pro Publica special report.

- The pipeline would be built by LIUNA members, whose organization has more than a century of experience safely building pipelines in virtually every state and province of the U.S. and Canada.

- LIUNA invests about $100 million a year in skills training for construction workers through more than 70 mobile and fixed training centers. Those centers offer 164 hours of pipeline-specific instruction.

- The pipeline’s potential route was based on professional surveys and environmental studies in order to avoid sensitive areas. About 80 percent of the pipeline would be at least 3 feet underground.

- Upon completion, the pipeline will be state-of-the-art. It will be remotely monitored internally and externally 24 hours a day and will be equipped with automated shut-off valves.