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SCHEDULE 14A

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IMPORTANT REMINDER TO VOTE YOUR UNITS

January 30, 2009

Unitholders:

Buckeye GP LLC, the general partner of Buckeye Partners, L.P., has extended the Expiration Date for Buckeye s Consent Solicitation to 11:59 p.m., eastern standard time, on February 20, 2009.

In December, we provided consent solicitation materials to our unitholders and asked them to approve the 2009 Long-Term Incentive Plan of Buckeye Partners, L.P. (the Plan). Our records indicate your vote has not yet been received. It is extremely important that you vote your limited partnership units no matter the size of your investment.

We strongly encourage you to vote your limited partnership units today. The Board of Directors of Buckeye s general partner has unanimously determined that the Plan is in the best interests of Buckeye and its unitholders, and recommends that you vote **FOR** the proposal. In addition, Glass, Lewis & Co., a leading professional services firm that assists institutions with investments in public companies, has recommended that unitholders vote **FOR** the Plan, and PROXY Governance, an independent proxy advisory company, has also recommended that unitholders vote **FOR** the Plan.

We strongly encourage you to vote your units today. Remember every unit and every vote counts! Voting is easy. You may utilize one of the options below to ensure that your vote is promptly recorded prior to the Expiration Date:

1) **<u>Vote by Phone (1-800-690-6903).</u>** You may cast your vote by calling this toll-free number with any touch-tone telephone. Have the enclosed consent card in hand when you call and follow the easy instructions.

2) <u>Vote by Internet (www.proxyvote.com).</u>	You may cast your vote using the Internet.	Have the enclosed consent card in hand when you
access the web site and follow the instructions.		

3) <u>Vote by Mail.</u> You may cast your vote by mail by signing, dating and mailing the enclosed consent card in the postage-paid envelope provided, or return it to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

YOUR PARTICIPATION IS IMPORTANT.

PLEASE VOTE TODAY!

If you have any questions, or need a copy of the Consent Solicitation Statement, please call Georgeson Inc. toll-free at 888-264-7054. Banks and brokers can call 212-440-9800. Alternatively, unitholders can call Stephen R. Milbourne, Buckeye s Manager of Investor Relations, at 610-904-4000.

Thank you in advance for voting promptly.

APPENDIX B

FORM OF CONSENT

There are three ways to vote your Consent:

BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P. FIVE TEK PARK

9999 HAMILTON BLVD. BREINIGSVILLE, PA 18031

VOTE BY INTERNET - www.proxyvote.com

Use the Internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time on February 20, 2009. Have this card in hand when you access the web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF FUTURE PROXY MATERIALS

If you would like to reduce the costs incurred by our company in mailing proxy materials, you can consent to receiving all future consent solicitation statements, proxy statements, proxy cards and annual reports electronically via e-mail or the Internet. To sign up for electronic delivery, please follow the instructions above to vote using the Internet and, when prompted, indicate that you agree to receive or access materials electronically in future years.

VOTE BY PHONE - 1-800-690-6903

Use any touch-tone telephone to transmit your voting instructions up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time on February 20, 2009. Have this card in hand when you call and then follow the instructions.

VOTE BY MAIL

Mark, sign and date this consent card and return it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return it to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717. Your consent must be received by 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time on February 20, 2009.

If you vote over the Internet or by telephone, you do NOT need to return this consent card.

TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS:

KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR BKEYE1 RECORDS

THIS CONSENT CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED. DETACH AND RETURN THIS PORTION ONLY

BUCKEYE	PARTNERS, L.P.									
THE GENER	AL PARTNER RECOMMENDS .	A VOTE FOR	THE PROPOS	AL.						
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1. Propos	sal: To approve the terms of	the 2009 Lo	ng-Term Inc	entive Plan of		О	O)	О	
Buckeye Pa	artners, L.P. as described in t	the Consent S	Solicitation S	Statement. A copy						
of the 2009	Long-Term Incentive Plan	of Buckeye I	Partners, L.P	is included in						
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	Signature (PLEASE SIGN WITHIN BOX)	Date		Signature (Joint Owners)			Date		
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FOLD AND DETACH HERE						
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BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.

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CONSENT AND VOTE FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2009 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN OF BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.

The undersigned Unitholder of Buckeye Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, hereby revokes all prior consents given with respect to the matters covered hereunder, and acknowledges receipt of the Consent Solicitation Statement dated December 8, 2008.

THE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP UNITS REPRESENTED BY THIS SIGNED CONSENT WILL BE TREATED AS HAVING CAST A VOTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BOX YOU MARK ON THE REVERSE SIDE.

PLEASE COMPLETE, SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THIS CONSENT USING THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED, WHICH REQUIRES NO POSTAGE IF MAILED IN THE UNITED STATES.