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BEFORE THE

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF: :

CONNECTICUT EXPANSION PROJECT : Docket No.:

: CP14-529-000

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Town Hall Auditorium
445 Delaware Avenue
Delmar, New York 12054

Thursday, October 30, 2014

The above-entitled matter came on for scoping
meeting, pursuant to Commission Order, at 7:05 p.m., Elaine
Baum, moderator.

1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 MS. BAUM: Well, good evening. On behalf of the
3 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission also known as the FERC,
4 I would like to welcome all of you here tonight. This is a
5 scoping meeting for the Connecticut Expansion Project being
6 proposed by Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, also known as
7 Tennessee. Let the record show that the public scoping
8 meeting in Delmar, New York began at 7:05 p.m. on October
9 30, 2014.

10 The primary purpose of this meeting is to provide
11 you an opportunity to comment on the Project or on the scope
12 of the environmental analysis being prepared for the
13 Project. My name is Elaine Baum and Im an environmental
14 project manager with the Commissions Office of Energy
15 Projects. With me at the table tonight is Kevin Bowman with
16 the FERC and Pam McWharter from HDR. And working at the
17 sign-in table tonight is Tony Rana with the FERC and Pat
18 Terhar from HDR. HDR is an environmental contractor who is
19 assisting FERC in the preparation of the environmental
20 assessment or EA.

21 The FERC is an independent agency that regulates
22 the interstate transmission of natural gas and reviews
23 proposals and authorizes construction of interstate natural
24 gas pipelines, storage facilities and liquefied natural gas
25 terminals. As a federal licensing agency, the FERC has the

1 responsibility under the National Environmental Policy Act
2 to consider the potential environmental impacts associated
3 with the project which is under its consideration.

4 With regard to Tennessee's Connecticut Expansion
5 Project, the FERC is the lead federal agency for the
6 National Environmental Policy Act review and the preparation
7 of the EA. As I said earlier, the primary purpose of this
8 meeting tonight is to give you an opportunity to comment on
9 the Project or on the environmental issues that you would
10 like to see covered in the EA.

11 It will help us the most if your comments are as
12 specific as possible regarding the potential environmental
13 impacts and reasonable alternatives of the proposed project.
14 These issues generally focus on the potential for
15 environmental effects but may also address construction
16 issues, mitigation and the environmental review process.

17 In addition, this meeting is designed to provide
18 you with an opportunity to meet with Tennessee Company
19 representatives to ask them questions and to get more
20 detailed information about their proposed facility locations
21 and construction plans.

22 Tonight's agenda is a simple one. First, I'm
23 going to describe the environmental review process and the
24 FERC's role in this project. After that we're going to let
25 the project sponsor, Tennessee, give a brief description of

1 the project proposal. After that we'll hear from those of
2 you who have signed up to speak. If you would like to
3 present comments tonight, please be sure to sign the
4 speakers list at the sign-in table.

5 Now I'm going to briefly describe our
6 environmental review process for you. Currently, we're near
7 the beginning of our environmental review process and are in
8 the public opportunity's part. Approximately three months
9 ago, Tennessee filed their application with FERC under
10 Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and we, along with other
11 federal, state and local agencies' staffs, have begun a
12 review of the facilities that we refer to as the Connecticut
13 Expansion Project.

14 On October 10, 2014, FERC issued a Notice of
15 Intent or NOI to prepare an EA for this project and
16 initiated a scoping period. The scoping or comment period
17 will end on November 10, 2014. During our review of the
18 project, we'll assemble information from a variety of sources
19 including Tennessee, the public, other state, local and
20 federal agencies and our own independent analysis and field
21 work. We'll analyze this information and prepare an EA that
22 will be distributed to the public for comment.

23 Once scoping is finished, our next step will be
24 to continue analyzing the Company's proposals and the issues
25 that have been identified during the scoping period. This

1 will include an examination of the proposed facility
2 locations as well as alternative sites. We'll assess the
3 project's effects on water bodies and wetlands, vegetation
4 and wildlife, endangered species, cultural resources,
5 socioeconomics, soils, land use, air quality and safety.

6 When complete, our analysis of the potential
7 impacts will be published as an EA and presented to the
8 public for a 30-day comment period. This EA will be mailed
9 to all interested parties. Please note that because of the
10 size of the mailing list, the mailed version of the EA will
11 be on a CD. That means that unless you tell us otherwise,
12 the EA that you'll find in your mailbox will be on a CD. If
13 you prefer to have a hardcopy mailed to you, you must
14 indicate that choice on the return mailer attached to the
15 NOI. You can also indicate that on the attendance sheet
16 tonight at the sign-in table if you'd like to.

17 As I mentioned earlier, our issuance of the NOI
18 opened the formal comment period that will close on November
19 10, 2014. The NOI encourages you to submit your comments as
20 soon as possible in order to give us time to analyze and
21 research the issues. If you receive the NOI in the mail,
22 you're on our mailing list and will remain on our mailing
23 list to receive the EA and any other supplemental notices
24 that we may issue about this Project unless you return the
25 mailer attached to the back of the NOI and indicate you wish

1 to be removed from the mailing list.

2 If you did not receive the NOI, you should have,
3 I apologize. The mailing list for this project is large and
4 it's undergoing constant revision. You can be added to our
5 mailing list by signing up at the sign-in table in the back
6 or by submitting comments on the Project.

7 I'd also like to add that FERC encourages
8 electronic filing of all comments and other documents.
9 Instructions for this can be found on our website,
10 www.FERC.gov under the eFiling link. If you want to submit
11 written comments, please follow the directions in the NOI.
12 It's very important that any comments you send either
13 electronically or by traditional mail include our internal
14 docket number for the Project. The docket number is on the
15 cover of the NOI. If you decide to send us a comment
16 letter, please make sure to put that number on it. That
17 will ensure that members of staff evaluating the Project
18 will get your comments as soon as possible. The docket
19 number for this Project is CP14-529-000. Again, the docket
20 number is CP14-529-000.

21 Now I am going to explain the roles of the FERC
22 Commission and of the FERC Environmental Staff. The FERC --
23 the five FERC Commission members who are appointed by the
24 president with the advice and consent from the Senate are
25 responsible for making a determination on whether to issue a

1 Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to the
2 Applicant, which in this case is Tennessee. The EA prepared
3 by the FERC environmental staff, which I'm a part of, will
4 describe the Project facilities and associated environmental
5 impacts, alternatives to the Project, mitigation to avoid or
6 reduce impacts and our conclusions and recommendations.

7 The EA is not a decision document. Its being
8 prepared to disclose to the public and to the Commission the
9 environmental impacts of constructing and operating the
10 proposed project. When it is completed, the Commission will
11 consider the environmental information from the EA along
12 with the non-environmental issues such as engineering,
13 markets and rates in making its decision to approve or deny
14 Tennessee's request for a certificate. There is no review of
15 FERC decisions by the president or Congress, maintaining
16 FERC's independency as a regulatory agency and providing for
17 fair and unbiased decisions.

18 Only after taking the environmental and
19 non-environmental factors into consideration will the
20 Commission make its final decision on whether or not to
21 approve the Project. If the Commission votes to approve the
22 Project, and a Certificate of Public Convenience and
23 Necessity is issued, Tennessee will still be required to
24 meet the -- the Certificate conditions outlined in the
25 Certificate before it can begin any construction.

1 If approved, FERC environmental staff would
2 monitor the Project throughout construction and restoration
3 by performing inspections to document environmental
4 compliance with Tennessee's proposed plans and mitigation and
5 the additional conditions of the FERC Certificate.

6 Before we start taking comments from you, I've
7 asked Tennessee to provide a brief overview of the proposed
8 Project. If you have questions about the Project, Tennessee
9 representatives will stay after the meeting for a little
10 while so you can talk to them, and they can try to answer
11 those questions for you.

12 So with that here is Jim Flynn.

13 MR. FLYNN: Good evening. My name is Jim Flynn.
14 I'm the Project Manager on the Connecticut Expansion
15 Project. I'm based out of Houston, Texas.

16 The Connecticut Expansion Project is a facility
17 designed to move 72 million additional incremental cubic
18 feet of gas through New York, Massachusetts for delivery
19 into Connecticut.

20 We have three customers in Connecticut, local
21 distribution companies who have determined that they have a
22 need for that additional volume. It is Connecticut Natural,
23 Southern Connecticut Gas and Yankee Gas.

24 We propose to build three incremental pieces of
25 the pipeline on Tennessee's existing system. In New York

1 right here, were building 1.4 miles of 36 inch line out in
2 the vicinity of Highway 32, Feura Bush extending our
3 existing line. We actually have three lines coming across
4 New York State and the third line ends just to the west of
5 Feura Bush.

6 Were going to extend that line 1.4 miles further
7 east and then tie it back into our existing system. Were
8 going to remove the facilities where it currently dead ends
9 and take it down and reconnect them back that 1.4 miles.
10 Thats being done for hydraulic reasons.

11 We likewise are repeating that process in
12 Sandisfield, Massachusetts where were extending our 36 inch
13 line an additional 3.8 miles and repeating the process of
14 taking the pig launchers and receivers and relocating them
15 down to the end of the line.

16 And then once we get to our station 261 in the --
17 in Massachusetts, in Agawan, were going to be building a new
18 line parallel to our existing line down along our 300 line
19 system to make deliveries to the end use customers. Thats
20 going to be 8.1 miles of 24 inch line. The Project is -- is
21 targeted to go in service for November 2016 heating season
22 to give everyone an idea.

23 The Project is undergoing the analysis by the
24 Commission and various state and federal agencies
25 responsible for the environmental concerns. The Army Corp.

1 of Engineers, the DEC and others here in New York as well as
2 the State SHPO. We look for cultural resources, threatened
3 and endangered species and the like, and all that becomes
4 part of the filing that we do with the Commission. The
5 Project is relatively straightforward in that it is running
6 adjacent to our existing line 100 percent of the way.

7 Just as a note here for the meeting, two things.
8 One, the restrooms are out on the left just as a point. And
9 then from a safety concern in the event that theres any need
10 to leave the building, we can go back out through the areas
11 where we came in or alternatively go out this door on the
12 right, duck around to the left and go out the front of the
13 building, just in case an issue should arise.

14 Well be happy to talk with you here later on and
15 discuss the various aspects of the Project. Ill be happy to
16 answer any of your questions after the formal federal
17 process here. Thank you very much for your time.

18 MS. BAUM: Thanks, Jim. Okay. We're now going
19 to begin the part of the meeting where we hear your
20 comments. Speakers will go in order of the sign up on the
21 speakers list which was in the table in the back.

22 If you -- if you would prefer, you can hand us
23 written comments tonight and also send them into the
24 Commission by following the procedures outlined in the
25 Notice of Intent. Again, theres also a form on the sign-in

1 table in the back that you can use to write comments on and
2 hand them to me tonight. That form also does give
3 instructions on how to mail them. Whether you provide your
4 comments verbally or mail them in, theyll be considered by
5 FERC equally.

6 I want to reiterate that we are here to hear your
7 comments on environmental issues or concerns on the Project.
8 I also -- I want to clarify that this is a project being
9 proposed by Tennessee. Its not a project being proposed by
10 FERC. FERC is an advocate for the environmental review
11 process.

12 If you have questions about the FERC process,
13 well be happy to stick around for a little while after the
14 meeting and talk to you about those questions.

15 Im sure youve also noticed that this meeting is
16 being recorded by a transcription service. This is being
17 done so that all of your comments will be transcribed and
18 put into the public record. To help the court reporter
19 produce an accurate record of this meeting, I ask that when
20 your name and number are called, you come down to the front
21 where the microphone stand is. State your name and spell it
22 for the record. Identify any agency or group youre
23 representing and define any acronyms that you may use.

24 I also ask that everybody in the audience respect
25 the speaker and refrain from any audible show of agreement

1 or disagreement. And with that, were ready to call our
2 first speaker. Number one is Dianne Sefcik.

3 MS. SEFCIK: Dianne Sefcik, D-I-A-N-N-E
4 S-E-F-C-I-K. What else was I supposed to say? Thats it?

5 MS. BAUM: Thats it.

6 MS. SEFCIK: Okay.

7 MS. BAUM: Unless youre with a group and you want
8 to --

9 MS. SEFCIK: Nope, Im not.

10 MS. BAUM: Okay.

11 MS. SEFCIK: FERC is reviewing this project
12 through the --

13 MS. BAUM: Can you just make sure you talk into
14 the microphone so everyone in the back can hear you also?

15 MS. SEFCIK: FERC is reviewing this project
16 through the abbreviated fast-track process of environmental
17 assessment, not the more comprehensive review of
18 Environmental Impact Statement. I object to this project.

19 It would dramatically expand the use of fracked
20 gas in New York State. More gas means more fracking, air
21 and water contamination, risks to public health and
22 accelerated climate change. Compressor stations threaten
23 public safety and continuously pump carbon dioxide, methane
24 and hazardous chemicals into the atmosphere 24/7.

25 FERC should require a full Environmental Impact

1 Statement instead of letting Tennessee pursue the expedited
2 environmental assessment.

3 The Environmental Impact Statement process would
4 require a much more comprehensive analysis of direct,
5 indirect and cumulative induced impacts critical to a
6 project of this scale.

7 It's my understanding that Kinder Morgan,
8 associated with Tennessee, is looking to develop new markets
9 for fracked gas including export markets. Therefore, in
10 addition to studying impacts of the Projects components, a
11 comprehensive build-out analysis of cumulative impacts
12 resulting from the increased use of fracked gas should be
13 performed including the likelihood of future power plants,
14 CNG and LNG facilities and other types of gas-related
15 infrastructure that is related to distribution of gas.

16 A build-out analysis should also be performed of
17 negative environmental health and societal impacts of more
18 drilling and fracking enabled by additional flow capacity in
19 the pipeline. Both upstream impacts like harm to air, land
20 and water resources from gas wells and downstream impacts
21 like Radon gas in homes should be studied.

22 The pipeline connects to the Iroquois pipeline
23 which is planned for reversal by -- I understand this
24 connection is at the Wright compressor station which is
25 slated, if the Constitution pipeline goes through, to expand

1 that compressor station. The Iroquois pipeline goes through
2 my town in Westerlo.

3 The reversal of -- of the gas flow will carry
4 U.S. gas to Canada. Therefore, it will be a direct conduit
5 for exporting fracked gas. Now, you say your end users are
6 in Connecticut? Weve heard that before and find out later
7 that, in fact, a lot of the product is slated for export.

8 FERC must analyze this conflict in determining
9 domestic public need. It is also improper segmentation to
10 consider this project without regard to all of the economic
11 and environmental impacts of exporting natural gas which
12 pipelines facilitate.

13 A comprehensive health impact assessment should
14 be performed to evaluate potential negative impacts, short
15 and long-term to people living near and at various distances
16 from the proposed pipeline and compressor stations. The
17 public must be granted full access to information including
18 critical energy infrastructure information necessary to
19 assess emissions and safety factors.

20 The greater risk of pipeline failure due to
21 increased pressure and flow rate must be analyzed. The
22 Tennessee, as it exists, has been there for decades.
23 Especially since parts of the pipeline network may have
24 corroded with age or have been constructed using outdated
25 inferior welding techniques. Maximum allowable operating

1 pressure must be made public and verified. And also the
2 safety and compliance records of the operator must be
3 disclosed in the record and considered by FERC. Thank you
4 for listening to me.

5 MS. BAUM: Thank you. Our next speaker, I guess
6 Mary got crossed out. So number three, Frank. I dont want
7 to --

8 MR. MARCHESE: Marchese.

9 MS. BAUM: Thank you.

10 MR. MARCHESE: You're certainly welcome. Yes,
11 Frank Marchese, M-A-R-C-H-E-S-E. Im with the Laborers
12 Organizing Fund.

13 Before I give my brief comments, its traditional
14 in our union that we honor the men and women of our armed
15 forces and the flag. So if we can stand now and do the
16 Pledge of Allegiance? Those who wish to do so.

17 AUDIENCE: I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the
18 United States of America, and to the Republic for which it
19 stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and
20 justice for all.

21 MR. MARCHESE: Thank you very much. Ill be very
22 brief. I have had the pleasure or misfortune, however you
23 look at it, to travel to a lot of these hearings around the
24 state for a variety of different projects.

25 And theres a common theme amongst those that

1 attend the meetings. On one side of the room, we talk about
2 -- the environmentalists talk about how the folks in the
3 organized labor will trade anything for a job. And thats --
4 thats one of the common elements.

5 The second element is that they always tie these
6 projects, regardless of how large or how small into
7 fracking. So tonight, I want to clear the air on both those
8 -- both those beliefs by the environmentalists.

9 This project has nothing to do with fracking.
10 Its a very small addition to an existing pipeline. And, you
11 know, the common element is that they always tie these
12 things into fracked gas from Pennsylvania and the export of
13 natural gas. We know that -- that is not true with this
14 project.

15 The second thing is the -- the belief that trade
16 unionists would trade safety for the well-being of their
17 community for -- for a job, for a temporary job. And we
18 hear it at every meeting: You guys will sell out for jobs.
19 Theyre only temporary. Theyre going to bring out-of-state
20 workers. Youre not going to get these projects. So they
21 try all these different, I guess, distractions to us about
22 these projects. And, you know, our shirts -- for the first
23 few meetings talked about our jobs are on the line and we
24 kind of put that away for a while because most importantly
25 our shirts tonight you will see, we talk about strength in

1 our union and strength in our community.

2 And I think the strength in our union is pretty
3 obvious. When we have men and women here that started the
4 day probably five oclock this morning. Many of which will
5 not work on this project but felt it necessary to come out
6 tonight to speak on behalf of this project to show their
7 support to FERC and to the -- to Tennessee that we are here
8 and we are in favor of this project.

9 And then also its strength in our union which we
10 see here. And its strength in our community that I can
11 assure you of the thousands, and I mean thousands of members
12 that Ive met in the state. Not a single one, not one, would
13 ever trade the well-being of their community, the health and
14 safety of their family for a three or four month job. So I
15 want that to be kind of our -- you know, the idea we leave
16 here with tonight that were here for our members, but were
17 also here as members of this community. We would never do
18 anything to jeopardize the safety and well-being of our
19 community.

20 Anyone, and it may not be these folks here that
21 will be working on this project, will be well-trained with
22 all the pipeline safety courses and the OSHA courses that
23 they need. I can assure you these projects will be done
24 very safely by skilled, trained professionals.

25 So I'm going to wrap up now, but I just -- I want

1 it to be very clear that no one in this union, in our union,
2 the Laborers Union would ever, ever, ever sacrifice safety
3 or the well-being of their family for a project or a job.

4 Thank you.

5 MS. BAUM: Number four, Robert?

6 MR. HOFFMAN: How are you doing? Robert Hoffman,
7 H-O-F-F-M-A-N. Of course, I could never be so eloquent as
8 our former speaker, but I just want to say I live at the
9 Crow cries flies, probably a mile and a half from here.

10 I got to travel to Saratoga County for a job at
11 Multi Global Foundries, and I think so many of our members
12 are doing that right now that if we have the opportunity to
13 have a job, I know -- I understand her issues with -- but we
14 have an existing pipeline.

15 Were going to put additions to it. I would think
16 that the environmental impact and everything that has been
17 done has already been looked over, reviewed, argued, yelled
18 at, argued and -- and agreed upon. And I think as -- as I
19 think the high taxes that I pay here in Albany County, it
20 would be really nice just to have a job here in Albany
21 County. I thank you.

22 (Applause)

23 MS. BAUM: The next speaker is number five,
24 Anthony.

25 MR. FRESINA: Ill spell that.

1 MS. BAUM: Thank you.

2 MR. FRESINA: Hi. My name is Anthony Fresina,
3 F-R-E-S-I-N-A. I wanted to take the time to thank the FERC
4 representatives and the Tennessee representatives for giving
5 us the time to make these public statements, as they are
6 important for ourselves.

7 I represent the Laborers. The proud men and
8 women of the Laborers Local 190 and that will be doing the
9 work and performing the work on this project.

10 I can say that I was -- a while back, I worked on
11 pipelines. The pipeline that was referred tonight. The
12 Wright Station and through -- through Bern, through Westerlo
13 and I worked on those projects for a long time. They were
14 very good projects. Tennessee Gas is safe and with former
15 speakers talked about training.

16 Theres no other organization in the Laborers that
17 commit the time and the expertise to train their -- our
18 members, our men and women, that work on these pipelines to
19 go home safe and have safe pipelines.

20 Pipelines have been around for years. These
21 pipelines are older. They need updating. They need to be
22 refurbished. They need to be extended. So Im going to
23 speak in support of the Tennessee Pipeline, and I hope that
24 the Project goes forward. And I know that Tennessee and
25 FERC will do a great job in making the study successful and

1 hopefully well have some be able to enjoy man hours in
2 working on this project. Thank you.

3 (Applause)

4 MS. BAUM: Our next speaker is number six, Mary
5 Finneran.

6 MS. FINNERAN: Hi. I'm not quite -- Im going to
7 be skipping around a little bit. But number one, I do truly
8 sympathize with --

9 MR. BOWMAN: Can you spell your last name,
10 please?

11 MS. FINNERAN: Oh. F as in Frank, I-N-N-E-R-A-N.

12 I am a member of AFL-CIO via several other
13 unions. I was a welder for a while. Im a little bit
14 concerned, and I do hope that the welders will be -- if
15 there are welders, ASME certified as I was.

16 I am concerned specifically about Kinder Morgan
17 which was originally Enrons pipeline, and they go by the
18 moniker Tennessee Gas Pipeline. They have acquired them
19 recently, but it used to be the CEO was the COO of Enron for
20 a long time which makes me a little leary.

21 Kinder Morgan had several -- several -- has had
22 several safety violations including -- according to the
23 Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration --
24 failing to maintain update maps showing pipeline locations.
25 Failing to test pipeline safety devices. Failing to

1 maintain proper firefighting equipment. Failing to inspect
2 its pipelines as required and failing to adequately monitor
3 pipe's corrosion levels. That was in 2011. I am concerned
4 about that.

5 I am also concerned about the fact that most of
6 the corrosion protection is only on the exterior of the
7 pipeline. Where its the fuel thats causing the corrosion on
8 the inside and causes damages to welds and the inside of --
9 and the pipeline itself will cause breaking.

10 In 2011, near Glouster, Ohio, a well failed on a
11 Kinder Morgan/Tennessee Gas Pipeline 36 inch diameter pipe.
12 The leak exploded leaving a blast ditch of 30 feet across
13 and 15 feet deep. Three homes were destroyed by the fire.

14 The leak was caused by displacement produced by a
15 landslide and an inadequate understanding by Tennessee Gas
16 Pipeline of the influence of the geotechnical threats on the
17 pipeline in this location.

18 I think that should point to the fact that we
19 need a full EIS not just a fast-track to get this through.
20 I do understand that this is your short version. I do
21 wonder if there isnt some kind of segmenting going on same
22 as the NED. It is going to becoming through this area too.
23 And Im -- Im looking forward to hearing about those scoping
24 hearings.

25 I do understand that it is just temporary work,

1 and I do hope that local people will be hired if this does
2 go through.

3 Another thing that there is a lot of the
4 accidents that have been caused, 36 major accidents between
5 2003 and 2014 by Kinder Morgan/Tennessee Pipelines. Many of
6 them were caused by corrosion. The vast majority of them
7 were caused by corrosion. A stress corrosion cracking and
8 that might be because they're old, but I'm also -- I am
9 concerned if these pipelines are adjacent. Does that mean
10 that they're not connected? It's not a connection? It's not
11 -- it's a new pipeline? And if -- I would like to know the
12 size of the older pipelines. If they're also 36 inches. And
13 another point I had.

14 Regarding whether this is going to be staying
15 within this country? Kinder Morgan in -- as reportedly in
16 2013 acquired a U.S. oil tanker and it -- and it's also -- an
17 equity investment firm Blackstone and Servers capital. They
18 -- okay. Similar tankers and this acquisition was to
19 facilitate the export of U.S. natural resources to overseas
20 markets. And Kinder Morgan has lined up some liquid natural
21 gas export customers as of July of 2014.

22 I think that FERC should be keeping stuff from
23 going out of the country. I think -- I do not understand
24 how this project except for the temporary jobs, and I do
25 appreciate that, how this benefits the community of

1 Bethlehem. Thank you.

2 MS. BAUM: Thank you. That was the end of
3 everyone who had actually signed up to speak. Is there
4 anybody else here who would like to come up and speak
5 tonight? Sure. Come on up. If you would just again say
6 your name and spell it for the record, please?

7 MS. QUAIF: My name is Trudy Quaif, T-R-U-D-Y
8 Q-U-A-I-F. I -- I think that the reason that I have to
9 speak is because patriotism is not about saying the Pledge
10 of Allegiance. Patriotism is about questioning what's
11 happening to your environment and asking questions.

12 These jobs are temporary jobs. We could have the
13 same jobs with alternative energy. There's other ways to
14 make jobs. You don't have to -- you don't have to put the
15 environment in jeopardy to create jobs. It's not simple.
16 You need -- we need -- we need to ask questions. If we don't
17 need this pipeline, we shouldn't build it. We shouldn't be
18 exporting our natural resources out of the country. Think
19 about it. Homeland Security. We need the energy here.
20 Thank you.

21 MS. BAUM: Thank you. Is there anybody else who
22 would like to speak tonight? All right. Well, then without
23 any more speakers, the formal part of this meeting will
24 conclude.

25 Again, I would just like to reiterate that any

1 comments that were said tonight will be addressed in the EA.
2 Again, if anyone has any additional questions, FERC staff
3 will stay after the meeting for a little while to talk to
4 you. And again, Tennessee representatives will also stay
5 around for a few minutes.

6 On behalf of the Federal Energy Regulatory
7 Commission, I'd like to thank all of you for coming tonight.
8 And I would like to let the record show that the Connecticut
9 Expansion Project scoping meeting in Delmar, New York
10 concluded at 7:37 p.m. Thank you.

11 (Whereupon at 7:37 p.m., the meeting was
12 concluded.)

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