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SOUTH CENTRAL R EGIONAL O FFICE

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IN RE: CHAPTER 105 PERM IT APPLICATION S FROM SUN OCO LOGISTICS FOR ITS MARIN ER EAST II PIPELIN E PROJECT

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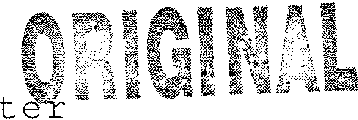
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Robert Conrad, Assist ant Regional Director Edward M uzic,

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Michael , Schroed er, John Hudson, Jeff Logan

Rep orter: Corey Eliza beth Summers

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CHAIR :

Good ev ening. My name is John R epet z.

I'm the Community R elations Coordina tor for the Pennsylvania Departm ent of Environmental Protection, Southcent ral R egional Of fice in Harrisburg . Tonight w e are here to hold a formal public hear ing on the

Chapt er 105 Pe t A pplication from Sunoco

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Pipeline Project. Thank you I w ant to express thanks to

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Mariner East II

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this evening .

Joining me from DEP this ev ening , a lso I 1 d like to introduce Mr . Robert Conrad, Assistant R egional Director from the Southcent ral R egion. And Mr. Edward Muzic, Permit Chief of the Wat erways and

W etlands Program, also from Southcent ral R egional Off ice. I w ould also like to note that representativ es from Sunoco are here this evening.

Tonight we are here to hold the formal public hearing. We will be taking testim ony in the form of comments from those who hav e regist ered to speak. If you wish to ma ke a formal comment and hav e

not yet signed up, please go to the reg istration table

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1. out in the lobby, outsid e the door, and si up with
2. the DEP repr esent at ives. W e w ill close registration
3. as soon as we b egin w ith the first spea ker th is
4. ev ening. You must be regist ered if you wish to
5. pr esent testim ony here tonight. But pl ea se remember ,
6. comments offer ed here in person or in written form,
7. via email or through our U .S. Postal Service, carry
8. the same weig ht .
9. I will now turn things ov er to Ed M uzic,
10. Permit Chief of the W aterw ays and W etlands Program, to
11. provide a br ief overview of the permitting pr ocess of
12. the applicat ion that is currently being rev iewed.
13. M R. MU ZIC:
14. Good ev ening. My name is Edward M uzic.
15. I'm the Section Chief in the Dam Safety , W aterways and
16. W etlands Section in the Wat erw ays and Wetland Program,
17. DEP Southcentra l R egional Office. Sunoco Pip eline
18. L. P. , submitt ed Pennsylva nia Water Obst ruct ion and
19. Encroachment

plications, a lso known a s Chapt er 105

1. plications, as required by 25 PA Cod e Chapt er 105,
2. the PA Dam Sa fety and Encr oachments Act and the PA
3. Clean Streams Law , to the Pennsylvania Department of
4. Env ironm ent al Protection, a lso known as DEP , for
5. act ivities associa ted with construction of their
6. proposed Pennsylvania Pipeline, also known as Mariner

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1. East II Pipeline System. The permits are required for
2. pr oposed activiti es located in, along, acr o ss or
3. pr otecting into a wa tercourse, floodway or body of
4. wa ter, including wet lands. The se Chapter 105
5. Applicat ions are currently er technical review by
6. DEP.
7. The PA Pipeline M ariner East II Project
8. is a proposed expans ion of the existing Sunoco Mariner
9. East Pipeline System. The over a ll pipeline project
10. involves construction of two new larger pipe lines to
11. convey natural gas liquids. The two new proposed
12. pipelines will ext end more than 300 mil es and 255
13. miles, respect ively, in Pennsylvania, betwe en Houst on
14. Bor ough, W ashingt on County, Pennsylvania and Marcus
15. Hook Borough, Delaware County, Pennsylvania. The two
16. new proposed pipelines cross three regions of the DEP,
17. five counties in the Southwest Reg ion, ten counties in
18. the Southcentra l Reg ion and two counties in the
19. Southeast R egion.
20. N ot ice of the Chapt er 105 Permit
21. Applications w as published by DEP in the Pennsylvania
22. Bulletin on Saturday, June 25th, 2016. N otice of this
23. public hearing w as published in the Pennsylvania
24. B ulletin on Saturday, July 11, 2016, and a l so in the
25. Lebanon Daily N ews and R eading E agle on July 27, 2016

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1. and the Lancast er N ewspapers, Lancast er Online , on
2. July 28th, 2016, as w ell as sev eral other Pennsyl vania
3. med ia publicat ions. DEP will a ccept writt en comments
4. on thes e Sunoco Pipe line , L. P. Chapt er 105
5. Applicat ions through W ednesday, Aug ust 24th. Thank
6. you.
7. CHAIR:

8 Thank you, Ed. The public comment s and

1. DEP 's response wil l b e made part of the administ rativ e
2. recor d which is available for review at DEP
3. Southcentral Regional Office in Har risburg .
4. Arr angements can b e mad e to rev iew the administr ativ e
5. recor d by calling 717-705-4732 durin g regular business
6. h ours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. , Mond ay throug h Fr iday.
7. The record can also be v iewed online by going to the
8. DEP w ebsite, clicking on the pipeline port al, then
9. clicking on the Southcentr a l Re gional tab.
10. W e will now begin the public he aring
11. por tion of tonight's pr o ceeding s. Registration for
12. this ev ent is now officia lly closed. I will call
13. tho se who have regist ered to come up to the micr ophone
14. and pr ovide your te stimony. First, we ask you to
15. start by stating your name and addr ess, pleas e stat e
16. it clearly so our stenographer here this ev ening can
17. und erst and it.

You will be giv en approximately three

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1. minut es to stat e your test imony, w hen you hav e one
2. minute left , I will hold up a one sign. W hen you hav e
3. rea ch ed your limit, I will a sk you wra p up and then
4. stop .

So w ith that , w e wil l begin. And our first

1. schedule d spea ker this ev ening is Ab e Amoros.
2. M R. AM OROS:

7 Good ev ening , my nam e is Ab e Amoros .

1. The last name is spelled A-M-0-R-0-S. Ad dress is 3604
2. Gre en Street, Harr isburg. As a proud member of Lab ors
3. Internat iona l Uni on o f N orth Am erica , I stand he re to
4. voice my strong support for the Ma riner East Pipe line.
5. I b eliev e thi s pr oject will be construct ed and
6. ope rated safely in an environment a lly sound way tha t
7. all will ultima tely b enefi t our communit ies,
8. bus inesses and wor kers.
9. For ov er a century the Laborers hav e
10. be en a v oice for hardw orking men and women of America ,
11. ens uring the rights to obt a in safe , liv ing wag e jobs.
12. Pro ject s like the Mariner E ast are lifelines for our
13. memb ers and our community , helping th em to build
14. lif elong careers. W e represent mor e than 18 , 000
15. memb ers in Pennsylv ania.

And for them, these project s

1. aren' t just pip elines , they 're also a lifeline for
2. family supporting jobs with good p aying w ag es.
3. B ec ause of their adv anced skills and tra ining , our

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**1** workers hav e the knowledg e and experience t o buil d

1. this pr oject safely and with minimal impact on the
2. envi ronment and the communiti es. In fact, our work e rs

**4** are a lready p a rt of other working pipeli nes in

1. Pennsylvania, making sure tha t they' re run safely and
2. responsib ly.
3. The M a riner East project can creat e
4. another 30, 100 direct and indirect jobs during the
5. construction phas e using uni on labor and approximate ly
6. 300 to 400 pe rmanent positi ons throug hout the

**11** Commonw ealth once they are b ui lt.

During

1. construction, our laborers pa tronize restaurants,
2. retai lers and other loca l busi nesses providing
3. additi onal sources of income to local communities.
4. N ow, I underst and that some wi ll express
5. concerns about the project , b ut study aft er study have
6. shown that pipelines are the safest , most efficient
7. form of transport ation for energy resources. Sunoco
8. has b een moving product s safe ly for more than 75
9. years.

Mar iner East II wil l b e state of the art

1. faci lity using the most advanced technica l , safe and
2. modern equipment availab le and will b e done in an
3. envir onmenta lly sound way.

That' s beca use Sunoco has

1. committ ed to wor king with uni ons like LIUNA to ensur e
2. the work gets done right the first t ime. They know

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that are skill trades ensure compliance and safe

w orkplace and a re committ ed to op erating w ith minimal destruction or impact to landowners and the

environme nt.

Fol ks, this is ou r b ackyard too , and we're committed to caring for it for our families. Agai n, I belie ve this project can b e construct ed and

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communities around it and a ll a cross the state who will support the deve lo maintena nce of its related assets.

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I support this project and u rge DEP's support

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permits.

Thank you.

CHAI R:

Thank you, Abe.

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Up next is Doug

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Lorenzen.

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MR. LORENZ EN:

G ood evening.

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My name is Doug Lorenze n.

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I'm resident of West Cornwal l Township, Leb anon

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Count y.

It 's not long

ago I showed up in Har risburg,

final review of the Sunoco II Pipeline Project , Chapter

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to conduct a schedu led

Log istics Marine r East

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102 and 105 Permit Applicat ions.

I was informed that

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it is now re ferred to as the Pennsylvania P ipeline

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1 Project , which, left me momenta rily confused , but then

2 I remembered how slippery Sunoco has been in obviating

3 and omitting acts surrounding the develo nt of the

4 pipeline and this wa just the latest in the line of

5 many.

6 I don't have time to share all the many

7 d ealing s with Sunoco and how they have be en able to

8 twist and reinvent the truth except to this latest

1. form of trickery. The name M ariner East Pipel ine ,
2. according to Sunoco's CEO, M ke Hennig an, wa s use d to
3. signify to its customers that the pipeline was to be
4. u sed to transport NGL shipments to overseas markets.
5. One of the hig hest paying markets around. Howev er,
6. now finding it hard to expl ain to the Court how their
7. pipeline would bene fit the PA p ublic and qua lify as a
8. public utility, Sunoco deci d to change the name to
9. Pennsylvania Pipe line Project. Perfect, don't you
10. think?
11. The files that was shown to me came in
12. boxes, binders and multiple rolls of maps, draw ings
13. and attachments. With the t we had allotted, all
14. we could do was to read over briefly what was in the
15. boxes and the bind e rs to determine what was pert inent

2 4 and copy it.

It was fortunate there was a CD of the

25 most of the materia l that we wer e able to download to

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1 copy, but way more than we could ever send to our

2 print er at home. To do a review correctly requires a

1. line by line comparison with the regulat ions, which I
2. th ink you ow, take it to w ledgeable per sonnel,
3. field chec king the data and writ ing up the review.
4. The boxes we reviewed were only for Lebanon County.
5. There w ere 16 other counties al l in their own box es.

8 Please consider ext ending the comment period at least

9 3 0 days.

This Chapter 105 Pe

t Appl ication requires

1. the consent of 2,700 property owners and asks
2. permission to encroach and disrupt hundreds of wetlands, creeks and rive rs.
3. Pipel ines are not orious for developme nt
4. of leaks and the spilling of thousands upon thousands
5. of gallons of petroleum pro ct into the env ironment
6. every year. And Sunoco is listed by the Pipeline
7. Hazardous Materials Safet y ency (sic} as having one
8. of the highest numb er of inci nts of any of the

19 p ipel ine companies the U.S. Thes e lea ks are usual ly

1. caused by corrosion , crac king of the pipes in wells,
2. between the pipes and damage from construct ion
3. equipment digg ing in the area of the pipeline
4. right -of-way.

These pip e lin s will carry under very

1. high pressure NGLs, ethane, prop ane and b ut ane, v ery
2. powerful explosive gasses that are colorless,

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1. odorless, tast eless and h eavi er than a ir. These will
2. t end to rise, follow the channe l in the ove rburden and
3. a ccumulat e in low spots on the surface and a ll they
4. need is a small ignit ion source , such as a passing car
5. o r a cellphone and will explod e into a cloud of
6. extremely hot burning gas, mov ing across the
7. landscap e , inc inerat ing everyth ing in its path.
8. Pipeline lea ks and expos e our cree ks --- pipeline
9. lea ks expos e our wet lands, creeks and ne ighborhoods to
10. v e ry dang erous and disastr ous situat ions.
11. Lea k det ect ion met hods us ed by pipeline
12. companies are notoriously unr eliable. The primary
13. monitoring me thod is to w atch for a drop in gas
14. pr essure . This method can only dete ct drops of one
15. and a half to two percent of th e da ily flow. A large
16. volume in a pipeline designed to 270,000 barr els,
17. th at' s not ga llons it's b arr els per day. Small leaks
18. can therefor e go on for da ys, we e ks or ev en months
19. bef ore being det ected, re leasin g thousands of gallons
20. of gas. One study shows that pipeline lea k detect ion
21. --- excus e me . One study showed pipe line leak
22. det ection met hods missed on the aver age 19 out 20
23. lea ks.

A lea k detection success rate of five p ercent.

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2. CHAIR:

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Doug , can you

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M R. DOUG LOR EN ZEN:

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a leak like this rivers, wet lands this application

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could do to the creeks, streams,

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M ariner East II Application.

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for your information.

And I'd like to g ive them to

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you. There is three copies in there.

CHAIR:

We only need one, sir. M R . LORENZEN:

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Thank you, sir.

Thank you, Doug.

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is Pam Bishop.

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M S. BISHOP:

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1 Good ev ening. My name is Pame la Bishop.

1. I live in West Cornw a ll Township , Lebanon Count y.
2. Lebanon County sits at the cros sha irs of two monster
3. pr oposed pipeline proje cts. The Tr ansco/Wil liams'
4. 24-inch north-sout h natur a l gas pipe line called the
5. At lant ic Sunrise and Sunoco' s 300-plus-mil e Mari ner
6. East II. The pr oposed Ma rine r Ea st p roject is an east
7. --- is a west/east natu ra l liquids pipeline proj ect
8. consi sting of two p ip el ines, a 2 0-inch and 16-inch in
9. the same t rench, par a l le l to an exi sting Sunoco
10. 84 year old 8-inch repu rposed N GL p ipeline and another
11. 12-inch in that right -o f-way. Thes e projects are not
12. needed and will cause unr easonab le impacts to our
13. water resources and unavo idab le risks to our he a lth
14. and safety.
15. Sunoco' s failed to adequately add ress in
16. its Chapt er 105 Perm it Applicat ion, the cumu lat iv e
17. impacts from its pr oject whi ch woul d cross at least
18. 581 w et lands and 1,227 streams in Pennsylvania. DEP
19. should require a cumulat ive impact analysi s of a ll the
20. Ma rine r East Pipelines, a ll four of them, together
21. with other propos ed and exist ing pip e lines to
22. adequat ely assess the t rue envi ronmental impact s of
23. thi s mass iv e project on our w ater resourc es.
24. Since 2 013 , Suno co ha s cal led its

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* 1. pipeline pr oject the Mariner East, beca use Sunoco
  2. intended to indicate to shippers that its primar y
  3. purpose w a s to deliv er nat ur a l gas liquids overseas.
  4. But Sunoco's permit application and DEP's public
  5. notices now call the project the Pennsylv ania Pipeline
  6. Project, causing public confusing.
  7. As if the name confusion w ere not
  8. enough, Sunoco submitt ed multiple revise d a lications
  9. with multiple amendments and chang es. Sunoco filed 17
  10. countywide Ch te r 105 Pe t Applications first on
  11. August 17, 2015, a year ago. During the completeness
  12. of review, DEP repeatedly told Sunoco in letters and
  13. at meet ings tha t its Chapt er 105 Applica tions were
  14. deficient , rather than issuing pe rmit denials. On
  15. June 14, 2016, DEP finally found Sunoco applications
  16. complet e, and began its technical review.
  17. We belie v e the applications may have
  18. failed to identify correctly all of the w ater
  19. resources, hist oric resources and specie s habit ats
  20. impacted by the proposed pipeline, but they need time
  21. to do field verifications.

The files contain

* 1. thousands of p ages and a myriad of changes, a huge
  2. source of confusion for the public.
  3. I support my Lebanon Count y
  4. Commissioners and State Senator Mike Folme r, who aske d

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1. DEP for a very reasonable 30-day ext ension o f the
2. p ublic comment period on Sunoco 's applicat ions,
3. similar to the ext ension DEP grant ed for the Atlantic
4. Sunrise. Howev er, in letters t o the ed itor and DEP
5. and tonight , proponents of the Sunoco Project
6. criticize our elect ed officia l' s requests , stating
7. that they would cause an unnecessary delay. W hy
8. should Sunoco b e given mult iple chances over almost a
9. yea r to delay its completed applicat ion, b ut the
10. public be given only 30 days to review this hug e
11. pro ject?
12. The project proponent s label this
13. request as an ant i-job, ant i-progress tact ic to
14. obstruct an important proj ect, close quote. They echo
15. Sunoco's exag gerat ed claims of job creation impacts on
16. the Pennsylvania economy and tax revenues. Would that
17. these estimates w ere true, they aren' t. W e who oppose
18. the pipeline are not against jobs or pro gr e ss. W e are
19. for p ublic health and safety of a ll Pennsylvanians,
20. especially the landowners who own the land this
21. pro ject is going and our enviro nment.
22. Sunoco has a hist ory of viol at ions and
23. fines for not adhering to environmental requir ement s
24. including workers' safety.
25. CHAIR:

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1 Ma'am, please wrap up.

2 MS. BISHOP:

3 I have one more point to ma ke. On

4 Aug ust 6th , three days ag o, DEP publishe d a notice in

5 the PA Bulletin of Sunoco's Chapter 102 Earth

1. Disturbance lication for coverag e under three
2. general permit s, ESCGP-2, by DEP reg ion. The not ice
3. est ablish ed a 30 day p ublic comment pe riod, endin g
4. September 6 and no public hearings. Since DEP is
5. reviewing both these Applications, the Chapt er 105 and
6. 102 permit applications at the same time , the same
7. p ublic comment p eriod s and lie hearin gs should
8. apply to these companion permits.
9. Further , I would assert that the use of
10. gene ral permits, only three of th em, is in ropriat e
11. for the control of the extensive corrosion and
12. sedimenta tion associat ed wit h the 300-plus le
13. M a riner East Pipeline construction. General p ermit
14. pr ocess does not sufficiently allow for site-spe cific
15. impacts of the project s earth moving act ivities.
16. In conclusion, DEP should use the
17. strictest scrutiny in reviewing the permit
18. applicati ons rom a company wit h a history of safety
19. incidents and environment al violat ions.

Please reject

1. Sunoco's Chapter 102 and 105 permit applications as

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1. de ficient and not in the publ ic inte rest. Thank you.
2. CHAIR:
3. Thank you, Pam. The nex t is Ann Pinca.
4. MS. PINCA:
5. Good ev ening. M y name is Ann Pinca.
6. That's P-I-N -C-A. And I live in N orth Lebanon
7. Townsh ip , Lebanon County. I hav e my comments her e and
8. I will submit them. I spent a lot of t ime on them
9. last night so I did do my homework, looked at the
10. applicat ions o f all the proj ect s. It's a ll in here.
11. I hav e a lot o f good point s, I have a lot of hard
12. facts. But I decided I'm go ing to say something
13. althoug h I'm g oing t o submit this.
14. Looking around tonight , and I apologize
15. that I have my back to ev erybody , because this is more
16. for ev eryone here.

I want to address eve ryone in this

1. room beca use I realize tonight we' re pr obabl y going to
2. hea r a lot of comments about why not to buil d this
3. pipeline , but we' re a lso going to hea r a lot of tal k
4. about jobs as a reason to support the p ro jects. And
5. he re is the thin g, I don' t think anyone in this room
6. want s anyone t o lose or no t hav e their job.

That' s

1. not wha t this is about.

The whole union job thing

1. baffles me, since hist orica lly p eople like us hav e
2. much in common with the labor unions back when they

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1. were fightin g the prolific struggles aga inst the
2. robber b a rons. So I'm a little confounded at the

3 union support for the oil and ga s industry who would

4 sell you out in a heartbeat. For proof, we got a

5 giant pipe line down the road filled with pipes made in

6 Jersey, broug ht here by truck ing companies from Ohio.

7 So where a re the Pennsylvani a jobs from that? And how

8 many Pennsy lvania oil and gas jobs have b een lost in

9 the past few years with the indust ry slowdown.

1. We don' t want you to not hav e jobs, we
2. don't want you to not work. We want to work wit h you
3. to develop new jobs in a tru ly clean renew le energy
4. field. Wher e we have to go eventua lly anyway. It
5. shouldn't be us a gainst you. We all want that same
6. things that a ll Americans and a ll human bein gs want.
7. W e all want to earn a living , own property that can't
8. be ruined or ta ken away by a cooperation for their
9. pr ofit. We want good hea lth and clean air, clean
10. wat er. We want to safe in our homes when we light
11. candles at ni The industry only und erst ands
12. d ivide and conquer and when they can make it you
13. against us , they win.
14. So I ur ge everyon e in this room to think
15. about this and find ways to w or k together and figure
16. out how to meet our energy and employment ne eds in a

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way that ma s sense. In th e end , we only ha v e one Leb anon Count y, one Pennsylva nia, one Unit ed Stat es and planet wh e re we all nee d to live. We should al l b e working ha rd , really har d toge ther to ensure that

our kids and their future generations will all be able to live the irs too. Thank you

CHAIR:

Thank you, Ann. N ext is David Horn. M R. HORN:

Hello. My name is David Horn, H 0 R-N,

106 Arch Street, Edwardsville, Pennsylvania. And I'm he re tonight with the Labor e rs Loca l 158 , Heavy &

H ighway with me ers in 29 count ies in Pennsylva nia.

'm here to s port th e M a r iner East II Chapter 102

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lications. Our members are well

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tra ined professionals who have worked on many pr ojects

including pipeline. And I want to clar ify one th ing,

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w e too care deepl y

out th e envir onment. W e enjoy

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the outdoors and the be auty that surround us. But we

also care about sa ely provid ing energy today and in the future, and believe that tha t M ariner II w ill be ab le to do that.

Loca l 158 memb e rs hav e been build ing

pip e lines for mor e than 60 years. W e build pipelines. And the safety of our member s and the people w ith the

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1. pipelin e affects is the cornerstone of all ou r
2. training . Each year LIUNA trains about 150,000
3. wor kers and invests $100 million in training. This
4. includes pipelines specific instruct ion and
5. certification. We a re committed to keeping workers
6. and the communities safe. n the last year, LIUNA
7. helpe d more than a hundred pipeline operat ors build
8. and maint ain proj ects. And we are enthusiastic
9. support e rs modernizi ng our existing infrastructur e
10. pipeline infrastruct ure.
11. The notion that we don' t care out the
12. envir onment or the impact that the pipelines have is
13. complet e ly not true. This pipeli ne will be built by
14. using uni on companies w ith member who live here in
15. Pennsylvania. That 's your brothers, your sisters,
16. your aunts and uncles and your neig hbors, o will
17. hav e a part in build ing this pipeline, and they care
18. deeply about the land that they hunt on , fish on, camp
19. and hi ke on. And w ill ta ke every precaution to
20. preser v e its natural beauty. To imply that it is
21. either the env ironment or a natu ral gas pipeline is
22. wr ong on so many levels. With the technology and
23. eng ineer ing a ncements, training and quality of
24. materials used today, we are fortunate.

W e don't have

1. to make a choice between providi ng safe, clean,

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1. aff ordable and loca lly pr oduced ener gy and protect the
2. environment. We can do both.

3 I absolut ely support the M a riner East

1. II, and asked the DEP to approve the permit s. Thank
2. you.
3. CHAIR:

7 Thank you, David. Charles C larke?

8 M R. CLARKE:

9 Good evening. My name is Charles Clark,

1. C-L-A-R-K-E. I'm from 105 83rd Street in Lebanon,
2. Pennsylvania. And I speak on b ehalf of my fellow
3. brothers and sisters, LIUNA Local 158, He avy &
4. Highway. I came to support the Sunoco Logistic
5. Marin er East II Pipelin e Project and their Chapt er 102
6. and 105 Permit Applicat ions.
7. Pipelines throughout the region t ransfer
8. natural gas in a wa y that minimize the ef fect on the
9. envir onment. And while other forms of transport ation
10. are possibl e, according to the U.S. Department of
11. Transport at ion' s Pipeline and Ha zardous M aterial
12. Safety Administrat ion, pipelines are the safest mode
13. of transpo rt ing energy resources.

These resources a re

1. critica l for countless consumer needs like
2. manuf act urin g , wint er he ating and v ehicle fuel.
3. Domestic energy pr oduct ion is b oth crucial from a

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1. national security and economic perspective. But we
2. must also ensur e that pip eline infrastruct ure is
3. dev eloped w ith a safe, ef ficient transport of those
4. resources as we ll.

5 This project is committed t o use local

1. union workers who have received the most a need
2. t raining in safety procedures and other operational
3. a ccid ent prot ocols to prev ent neg ative impacts to the
4. property and environment. ditionally, the M ariner
5. East II Project will be built with the hi ghest
6. stand ards for environmental safety, creat e jobs that
7. provide living wa ges and provide home-grown necessary
8. resources for Pennsylvania.
9. Laborers International Uni on of N orth
10. Ame rica is one of the most diverse and successful
11. unions represent ing workers n the electrical and
12. construction industry. Our members live throughout
13. the communiti es in Pennsylvania , and are at the
14. forefront prov ding hig hly-s killed w orkers or
15. rebuilding and m aintaining Pennsylvania
16. infrastructure, highways, bridges and gas pipelines,
17. as well as other sectors in the heavy construct ion
18. industry.
19. Furthermore , our members and their
20. families breat he the same air, drink the same wat er,

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1. and enjoy the same outdoors in the communities of the
2. proposed project. The y have a v est ed interest to

3 pro vide safe pract ices in order to maint ain the hig h

4 quality of li e w e all long or.

5 And in closing, I would request DEP

1. approve without delay the Sunoco Logistics Mariner
2. East II Project. Thank you.

8 CHAIR:

1. Thank you, Charles. Jacob Hyd er?
2. M R. HYDER:
3. Good evening. M y name is Jacob Hyder.
4. I live at 3077 South Main Street , Hanover Township,
5. PA. My name s Jacob Hyder, and I proudly rep resent
6. hard working me n and women o the Laborers
7. International Union of North Am erican, LIUNA. Many of
8. our members are residents of Pennsylvania. And I am
9. pr oud to report that some them hav e joined us tonight.
10. I'm here to prof essio nally and personally ask you for
11. your support of the Mariner East II Pipeline Project .
12. If appro ved the M ariner East II proje ct
13. is expected to create as many as 30,000 new jobs
14. during the construct ion phase.

Those jobs, w hich will

1. include ever hing from s lled laborers, site
2. mana gers, equipm ent specia lists and inspectors , will
3. be filled by m en and w omen across the state 's region.

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* 1. For more than 110 years, LIUNA has
  2. he lped ensure pr ojects of this caliber to draw local

1. wor kers who are committ ed ensur e a safe and succes sful
2. complet ion. The Ma riner East II Project will help put
3. Pennsylvania's most capable men and women to work.

6 LIU NA represents more than 25,000 hardworking men and

1. w omen across the Commonwea lth of Pennsylvania. W e
2. support a ll of the abo v e energy strategy, which
3. include s the e ansion and grade of our nat ion' s
4. pipeline infrastructure and safe, respons le natural
5. ga s develo 12

nt as a bridge tool to renewable energy. n addition to pr oviding much need jobs

1. to our area , this pipe line infrastruct ure is yet
2. another step tow ards America 1 s energy independence ,
3. a llowing us to become less reliant on energy from
4. hostile nat ions and strengthening our national
5. security. Like al l of us here, our membersh is
6. committ ed to the same safety and integrity of this
7. p roject.

M any of the m en and w omen wh o wil l fill the

1. jobs created are from this very a rea and are proud ly
2. calling Pennsylvania home.

As much as anyone, they

1. have a duty to ensur e the pipeline is const ructed in a
2. w a y that ensures the bea ut y and value of the land ,
3. loca l communities and surrounding envir onments.
4. Along wit h my LIUNA brothers and sister,

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1 I humbly ask for your support of the M ariner East II

2 Pipeline Project. Thank you.

1. CHAIR:
2. Thank you, Jacob. Rich Wia te rowski?
3. M R. RICH W IATEROWSKI:

6 Good evening , and thank you for allowing

7 me to speak he re tonight. My name is R ich

8 Wiaterowski, W-I-A-T-E-R 0 W S- K-I. And I'm a member

1. of the Laborers Local Unio n 158. I'm here tonight to
2. show support of Mariner East Pipeline Project. I pla n

11 to keep it s le. Current ly th ere is gas

1. infrastructure in our state. You would think people
2. would be thrilled about the new safe infrast ructure,
3. job opp ortunit ies, which have created milli ons of ma n
4. hours for

ers and econ

c dev elopment.

Let' s

1. face it, I di 't see any pedal bikes in the parking
2. lot toni ght. We all need this energy and it needs to
3. b e done safely by professi ona ls , whi ch it w ill by
4. LIUNA m emb ers and all of the t radesmen. Thank you.
5. CHAIR:
6. Thank you, Rich.

Ellen Gerha rt?

22 M S. ELLEN GERHART:

1. My name is Ellen Gerhart, G E R-H-A-R-T.
2. I live in Huntingt on, Pennsylva nia. And you hav e all
3. my informat ion from my previous comments.

grew up

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1. in a small town near Pittsburgh. Both my
2. grandfather s, all of my uncles and my father w orked in
3. the many steel mills that lined the Ohio Riv er. My
4. father not only was a member of th e IBEW and the U SWA,
5. he was member of the negotiating team. I am a ret ired
6. member of the PSEA and N EA. I understand and respect
7. unions and what they hav e done historically for
8. w or kers' rights. M y grievanc e is not with the unions.

9 As a property owner in Pennsyl va nia,

1. however, I have serious issues wit h a pipeline company
2. from Texas c ng to Pennsylva nia and forcibly taking
3. property through eminent doma in. Sunoco Logist ics'
4. despit e what they claim is using the threat of eminent
5. domain across the state. W e, along with ma ny others,
6. are current ly fighting this orcible taking of our
7. pri vate property in the courts.
8. Y ou, as Pennsy lvania union wor kers, do
9. not have to b e par t of land grab. Sunoco claims that
10. thousands of jobs w ould be gener at ed by insta lling
11. these new pipelines. Any construct ion jobs gener ated
12. by the Mariner East II, a/k/a Pennsylvania Pipeline
13. Proje ct, are short term only. These jobs are not
14. susta inable. They w ill not be there for you down the
15. line, let alone be available for your childr en or
16. grand children. Fossil fuels are dead.

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* 1. The only jobs which w ill b e long term
  2. are jobs maintaining and repairing the existing
  3. infr a structure th at mor e than meet s the needs of
  4. Pennsylva nia. R epair and maintena nce can go a long
  5. w ay in avoiding a cata strophe, such as the deva stat ing
  6. pipeline explosion in W estmoreland Count y. Alt h ough,
  7. that part icular pipeline was not a Sunoco pipeline,
  8. Sunoco Logistics has th e worst tra ck recor d for
  9. viola tions and fines, even though they do not hav e the
  10. larg est mileage of pip eline. W hy w ould you want to
  11. support a Texas company and aff ect the environmenta l
  12. qua lity across Pennsylvania when you could instead
  13. ma ke Pennsyl vania safer through ma intenance and
  14. repa ir?
  15. DEP is a lso aw are of Sunoco Logist ics
  16. abysma l track record wh en it comes to safety
  17. viola tions. DEP has a lready levied fines against the
  18. company for the pollution of Turtle Cree k in West ern
  19. Pennsylvania. DEP ha s a lso fined the company for
  20. w or king without permits on the M a riner I. Giv en
  21. Sunoco' s history of disr egard for following
  22. regulations, DEP ha s strong gr ounds for refusing to
  23. issue a new Chapter 102 and 105 Permits. This should
  24. b e a no bra iner.
  25. Fina lly, let me leav e you with this, I

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* + 1. hav e ha d 3 out of 27 acres of my pr erty seized by
    2. Sunoco Logistics through eminent domain. Three acres
    3. may not seem li mu ch , bu t these three acres cont ain
    4. a pond , stream and w etlands. Sunoco' s environment a l
    5. evalu at ions failed on all levels. Their reports
    6. showed only half of the stream and one sev enth of the
    7. wetlands that actually exist on our land. On site
    8. ecologica l testing for hydrolog ic soils,
    9. identification of indicat ed species of plant s and
    10. animals, testing for pH and wat e r quali ty of the ponds
    11. and streams was done by an ecological consul ting firm
    12. hired at our own expense. We saw no one from Sunoco
    13. or DEP until after th e right-of -way and temporary
    14. wor kspaces had been clearcut and the damag e alread y
    15. don,e.

I hav e a pict ure tha t I will submit to the DEP

* + 1. of some of the envir onment a l devastati on th at too k
    2. pla ce on our private prop erty.

W e are now a ski the

* + 1. Army Corps of Engine ers for a jurisdictiona l
    2. termina tion review of our property.
    3. Again, union workers and DEP do not need
    4. to part of this illegal and immoral power play by
    5. Sunoco. You have the power to say no. Thank you.
    6. CHAIR:
    7. Thank you, Ellen. Ellie Salahub?
    8. MS. SALAHUB:

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1 Good evening and thank you for this

1. opport unit y. My name is Ellie Salahub, S A L-A-H-U-B.
2. Sunoco Logist ics has pr opose d t o the build its Mariner
3. East Pennsylvania pipeline across southern Lebanon
4. County. It is actually carrying highly explosiv e
5. natural gas liquids from Western PA to Sunoco's
6. exporting facility in Marcus Hook. The need for this
7. pipeline is not for our p ubl c benef it or the private
8. financial gaining of Sunoco and --- financial gain o f
9. Sunoco to export our resources to foreign mar kets.
10. This proposed project of 19.7 miles of
11. Lebanon County will cross 13 streams and ma ny mor e
12. t ributa ries and wetlands, plus it will wit hd raw w ater
13. from Smith's C reek. Not surpr isingly, with v e ry few
14. exceptions, Sunoco has ele cted to use the cheapest
15. methods of open cut of wid e crossings to cross our
16. county's streams, which would wipe out trees along the
17. w ay. Perhaps, Sunoco feels that our streams, many of
18. them a re alre ady classified as impair ed a ren' t worth
19. the ext ra doll ars. What' s a litt le bit mor e silt and
20. erosion, even though many of them are trout stocked
21. streams, popular with fishermen.
22. Sunoco a lso is pl anning to cut th rough
23. exceptional va lue w etland s, p lus the Hammer Cree k
24. tributary wh ch is classified as a cold wa te r fishery,

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1. and is also designated as high qua lity in much of its
2. wat ershed. In this applica t ion Sunoco assures us or
3. in fact lies to us that they will use the b est
4. mana gement pr act ices to t igate these adv erse
5. impacts. W ho will monitor this working desig nation?
6. La st February, the Department of
7. Envir onmental --- sorry , DEP Secretary John Quigley
8. not ed that DEP did not hav e enough staff to meet the
9. needs of any of its pr ograms. Our local county
10. conservation d istrict does good work, but we wonder
11. what influence the $50,000 Sunoco recently dona ted to
12. the district' s Ag ricultural Land Preserva t ion B oard
13. mi ght have on th eir act ions.
14. Sunoco' s history of self-monitoring
15. doesn't bode well for our streams and wet lands either.
16. Just last month, PHMSA hit Sunoco with hug e penalties
17. for failing to report a 2013 injury accident. And
18. last year, Sunoco , was fined on two separate occa sions
19. during construct ion of the M ariner East I Project for
20. violations that left the Lit tle Ming o Creek marred
21. indefinite ly and included th e failure to obtain
22. permits that i

act ed wetla nds of five counties.

1. Lebanon Count y streams are our precious resources.
2. Our strugg ling streams cannot a fford this death by a
3. thousand cuts.

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und ermines our r ights under Article One and Section 27

of the Pennsylva nia Constitut ion and will deg rade and contaminat e our streams and wet lands. W e are urging you to re ject all the se permits.

I would like just to ta ke one more

minute. I went on DEP 's w site this afte rnoon, and I

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Depa rtment of Ene rgy and specia l interest protection. It ta lks about p rotect ing our a ir, land and wa te r and

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pollution pre v ention.

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So we're really asking you to do your job of

prot e cting our environme nt and wit hholding our constitution. Thank you.

CHAIR :

Thank you, Ellie. Ed Braukus? MR. ED BRAU KUS:

My name is Ed Bra ukus, B-R -A-U -K-U -S, 68 Wigg an St reet, W -I-G -G -A-N, Philadelphia ,

Pennsylv ania. I am a represent at ive of the

International Brothe rhood of Elect rical Wor kers , Local

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1. 743, locat ed n R eading , PA. I'm here on behalf of
2. all the journe n and apprentice electricians who
3. live and w ork in Lancast er, Be rks, Schuylkill, Chest er
4. and Lebanon Counties t o speak in favor of the Marine r
5. East Pipeline, and as k that the DEP grant the Chapte r
6. 105 Permit for this project .

7 Our members live right here in the

1. community that house these facilities. They depend on
2. projects like this to b ring billions of dollars' worth
3. of work that w ill result in the ability to ea rn a
4. decent living . I must say of the passionate efforts
5. of those who ha ve spoken in opposition of this project
6. that we a re by no mea ns enemies. Most of our members,

14 including myse lf, see ourselves as outd oorsman. We

1. w ant to make sure that every effort is mad e to protect
2. our natura l resources. As a matter of fact, Locust
3. Creek is one of my favorite t rout fishing spots
4. located on state game lands runs over pipeline.
5. That is why a s a represent at ive of Loca l
6. 743, I can assure you that the w ork d one on this
7. project will be performed by some of the most skilled
8. and safety conscious craftsma n in the country, if not
9. in the w orld. These proj ect s, themselv es, ma intain
10. the strictest specifications and requir ements of any
11. job we do. I'm not a scientist or an engineer, but

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I'm a person who knows the skills and prid e of the se

trad esman wor king on this project. I feels it' s the

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know it. In my area the pipeline are some of the best

pla ces to find game turkey grazing , if you're lucky , you may catch one.

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approve the Chapter 105 Permit, thank you.

CHAIR :

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Thank you Ed.

M R. JERR Y RYAN:

Ryan Helms?

Jerry Ryan?

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1 My name is Jerry Ryan. I live at 11480,

1. Blue M ountain, Arkansas, represent ing Ironworkers
2. Local 798 , with over 6,000 memb ers that work acr oss
3. the ent ire United Stat es. Skilled pipeline welders,
4. journeymen and helpers . Many, in fact, residing in
5. Pennsylvania and the States of West Virginia and Ohio,
6. all touched by the Ma r iner Project.

8 Mar iner East I P ipel ine will be built

1. using the highest strength quality steel pipe, along
2. wit h modern fusion bond ed epoxy coat ing. Pipelines
3. b uilt today have an unl imited lifespan. The skill of
4. the Ironworkers Local 798 will buil d Mariner East II
5. using 100 percent x ray, along with hydrostatic
6. testin g to ensur e the integrit y of the pipe line.
7. Hor izontal directiona l d rilling, o r H OD, will leav e
8. waterw ays, wetlands and envir onmentally sensitiv e
9. areas untouched.
10. Placed in service, M a riner East II will
11. b ecome a safe, uns een, sound means of transpor t ing
12. pipeline liquids, returned back to the publ ic in many
13. forms, propane being just one , used almost in every
14. area. Mariner East II provi s for these homes and
15. busine sses.
16. In closing , I ur ge th e Department of
17. Envir onmental Protect ion to

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Mari ner East II and

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CHAIR:

Thank you, Jerry. Kevin Sunday? M R. SUN DAY:

Thank you. M y

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name is Kev in Sunday,

the Di rector Gove rnment Chamber of Business and broad-based business

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Industry.

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advocacy associat ion in the state.

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the Pennsylvania Pipelin e Proje ct a lso known

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const ruction of the project will be vital for

continued growt h to Pennsylvania' s economy in a manner that is sufficiently p rotect ive of the Commonwealth' s env ironment a l resources and the p ublic, and w ill be const ructed and ope rated in compliance with the

state's robust regulatory framewor k for wa ter and

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1. mills and is coat ed at Pennsylvania companies for
2. $4.2-billion investment in the state. It will bring
3. thousands o f construction jobs and hund reds of
4. manuf acturing jobs across the state, both for the
5. infrastructure and equipment needed to build the
6. pipeline and in the processing and refining of
7. various natural g as liquids to be used in a v ariety of
8. manufacturing processes.

9 In particular, the construction of the

1. Mariner East Project is necessary to securing
2. southeast Pennsyl vania's role as an ener gy hub focused
3. on the refineme nt and processing of natural gas
4. liquids and the associa ted manufacturing opport unities
5. that w ill be brought w ith it. The project w ill also
6. support continued exploration and product ion of
7. natural gases in rural Pennsylvania.
8. In recent years the expand ed exploration
9. and prod uct ion of Marcellus Shale have led to the
10. significant in environment al and economic ga ins, but
11. there remains a si ificant lack of infra structure
12. that' s limiting our potential to grow our economy and
13. energy security.

Add itional pipeline investments such

1. as this project would support va luable h igh-paying
2. jobs, encourage a stable a fford ab le supply of ga s and
3. make sure we hav e a diverse energ y supply for home

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1. h eat ing, power generat ion a manufacturing. The
2. increased use and supp ly of natur a l gas w ill also help
3. Pennsylvania ma intain compliance wit h the Federa l
4. Nat ional Amb ent Air Quality Standa rds and help us
5. continue to expand projects that the state init iated
6. in the past ten yea rs in re cing al l NAAQS crit eria
7. poll utants.
8. The p roposed p ermit conditi ons out lined
9. in the applicat ion a re app r riat e, satisfy necessa ry
10. regulatory criteria and are sufficiently prot ect iv e of
11. the environment and the publ c. The proposed project
12. will consists of a number of components that are
13. necessary to ensure the safe and proper operati on
14. including c liance with federal p ipeline safet y
15. standards, regul ar lea k and erosion det ection and a
16. robust ongoing public safety outreach campaign.
17. The application also describes how
18. Sunoco has taken great strides to reduce i act to
19. envi ronmentall y sensitiv e area s, including nimizing,
20. to the greatest ext ent possible, act ivit ies outsid e of
21. the exist ing right-of-ways or within or near wet lands
22. and waterways. The pro ject application a lso
23. identifies app rop riate best management pra ctice s that
24. w ill avoid,

nimize and/or tigate earth

1. dist urbance, erosion, soil runoff, thermal act s,

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1. riparian buffers and wetland acts. M ost of these
2. impacts are t orary in nature and the BMPs
3. identified will all ow the pr oje ct to proceed in a
4. manner that is complaint with, if not exce eding, the
5. state's robust regulatory framework. For the reasons,
6. the PA Chamber urges DEP to issue these pe ts.
7. Thank you.
8. CHAIR:
9. Thank you, Kevin. Darrin Foul k?
10. MR. FOULK:
11. Good evening. My name is Darrin Foulk ,
12. F-0-U-L-K, from Mar shall Township, Allegheny County.
13. And I'm her e to spea k in s ort of the Mariner East
14. II Project. I'm the Vice Presid ent of the Cleve land
15. Brot he rs Cate illa r. We're a Pennsylvania based
16. family-owned business established in 1948. We operate
17. in 25 locations and serv e over 50 --- 59 Pennsylvania
18. counties and we empl oy over 1,300 employe es. We sell ,
19. rent and service const ruction equipment ma de by
20. Caterpillar a

oth er manufactures to cont ractors

1. throughout Pennsylvania who build roads, p ublic works
2. buildings and energy facilities, including the
3. production of M a rce llus Shale and the ene rgy
4. processing , transpo rtation, storage comple xes and the
5. pipe lines that connect them.

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* 1. Our company has close and longstanding
  2. relationships with pipeline contractors oper ating

3 thr oughout our state, including many of those who are

4 goi to be involved in this project. We pro vi de them

1. w ith the best equipment available with respect to
2. product ivity, reliability, emi ssions cont rol and

7 min l land disturbance.

1. Our pipeline cont ractor customers are
2. known for employi ng best pr act ices in construction
3. including earth moving, material handling and land
4. restorat ion. We pro vide them 24/7 support to ensure
5. that the p rojects will not be delayed , due to
6. equipment downt
7. This project wil l support hundre ds of
8. jobs in our company at a t ime w hen the ongoing
9. downturn of Pennsylvania's energy production is
10. threating our jobs and the livelihoo ds of our
11. families. Also at stake are the jobs of many of
12. thousands of workers that supp ort the p roduct ions of
13. natural gas in t shale formations of Pennsylvania.
14. They cannot produce what cannot be transported due to
15. the lack of pipeline capacity.
16. The Mariner East II project will go a
17. long way to help alleviat e that restraint. Because of
18. al l the construction and energy production activiti es

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this pipeline will enable, communities throughout Pennsylvania will be nefit from workers' incomes ea rned and spent loca lly, the result ing tax and local taxes paid by the them and their employers wil l support the public education, environmenta l prog rams, infrastructure, p ublic safety, and other state and loca l government ope rations. Pennsylvania's economy

as a whol e, will benefit t remendously from this project.

I'd like to thank you for giv ing me the opportunity to express my vi ews on why this is so important to so many people.

CHAIR:

Thank you, Dar rin. Phil Stober? MR. STOBER:

Thank you, gentleman. My name is Phil Stober. I own and operate Bare Foot Organics, which i s U SDA certified organic farming operation here in

W est Cornwa ll Township, Leba non County. So you can probably guess which side of this argument 'm going to be on. The enthusiastic arguments of Dav e and Cha rles and Jacob and the Loca l 158 and our other friends from the industry here notwithsta nding, the countless jobs and the mill ions of dol lars to be pumped into our economy ignore the real cost

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1 a ssociat ed with these countless jobs and all of the

2 income.

3 The oil and gas company cheerlead e rs

4 a lway s tell the economic benefits of these projects

5 since economic success is alwa ys going to be the only

6 measure by which these companies and their

7 sha reh olders evaluat e p rogress. Social and

8 environm ent a l re sponsib ility and it s cost s or the

1. costs associated with these project s are g reatly
2. underest imated or oft en ignored a ltogether. Wh at

11 about resource conserva tion, sustainability and

1. pollut ion prevention?
2. A s a sta rting p oint , I am highly dubious
3. of the number of permanent j s and the rea l economic
4. impact from these pipe lines as you compare the
5. ma gnitud e of the environmental and societa l
6. repercussions these p rojects will have on our region.
7. The jobs a ssociated have been g rossly ov erest ted
8. and they are not pe rmanent jobs.
9. In 40 to 50 a rs, wh en a ll o the oil
10. and gas is extract ed from the ground and Pennsy lvania
11. ha s to contend w ith thousands of abandoned well heads,
12. tens of thousands of mil es of empt y pipe running
13. pip e line s and the last v estiges of once virgin forest

2 5 and farmland, what economic i

act is rea lized?

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1. do you p ut a price on the priceless? How wil l it be
2. restor ed? Who will p ay for that? W e know payment has
3. many forms. And the cost benefit analysis that many
4. of these c

anies use is ridiculous.

The pr ocess of

1. reducing life, health and the natural wor ld to
2. monetary v alues, it inherent ly lawed. How does one
3. put a cost on human hea lth, wellbeing , the
4. env ironment , quality of life ?

9 though, h ard to grasp for most people,

1. these esoteric costs can't be calculated and they a re
2. ev ery bit impactful t o me and my organic farming
3. oper ation , my livelihood a s the real hard cost of
4. extr a visits to the doctors beca use of asthma, COPD,
5. cancer, you name it , and other af ictions caused by
6. polluted air , soil and wat er , not to ment ion the
7. millions of dollars in damage to infrastr ucture,
8. roads, bridges, homes we, the ta ayers of Lebanon
9. County, will have to contend with after a major
10. pipeline explosion or ari o il spill, beca use they
11. always do.
12. I would much pref er investments in
13. sustainable alternativ e energy of the 21st century.
14. Curtailing the use of 19th Century exploit ing and
15. destruct ive energy and stopping the pipel ines
16. altoget her is my wish.

As a business owner who relies

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1. on clean a ir, he althy soil and chemical free water, I
2. can't think o

anything mor e important.

Please, do

1. what you can to curtail the exploitation of our land
2. in this pr oject.
3. I urge you to take your name seriously,
4. you are the Department of Envir onmental Protection.
5. Thank you, v ery much.

8 CHAIR:

1. Thank you, Phil. Michae l Schroeder?
2. M R. SCHROEDER:
3. M y name is Micha e l Schroed er,

S-C-H-R-0 E D E R. I live in Annville Township, here

1. in Lebanon Count y. I'd like to add ress four sets of
2. lies or at lea st , at b est , misrepresent at ions or
3. distortions about what's goin g on here.
4. The first, is based on the a rticle that
5. appea rs in the Lebanon Dail News tod ay wherein it is
6. report ed that natura l gas b urns twice as clean as hig h
7. carbon energy sources. That p a rt it true, but you and
8. the DEP know that part of natura l --- the largest pa rt
9. of natural gas is methane.

And study after study

1. after study has shown in recent years, you know this,
2. you hav e scient ists at DEP who review the scientific
3. l iterature, that CH4, met hane, lea ks like a sieve ,
4. one, two, three , five pe rcent from the well and we ll

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head and from pipe lines. And the whol e count ry has

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a spike in methane, which is 80 times mor e potent

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C02.

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lexicon, whic h is CH4, whi than th e g reenhouse gas.

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That's like fuel.

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Set number two, lie number two is that

this Mariner East Project is in the p ublic inte rest. This is in the Courts right now. It 's bei ng litigated. My

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guess is it' s going to end up in the

But it seems prett y clear to me that

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gain.

And so the notion that this is in the

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public interest seems to be fundament ally misplaced

and a misrepr esentat ion or a lie of the reality of what's going on.

The third lie has to do to with organized labor, which I fully support. I'm a

hist orian by t rade. I'v e studied it and the re's a

history of o rganized labor from the 19th century up to the pr esent day. I'm completely be hind organize d

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labor.

of the fossil

And I'd like to ask th e b rothers and sisters

un ions to think about your futures, because

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fuels are a dead end.

Ther e are pl ent y of

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1. jobs. Right now w e'r e at the inflection point where
2. th e oil and g as indust ry is declin ing and alternativ e
3. forms of energy , solar , w ind and geoth erma l and
4. other s, those are oth er good paying family support ing
5. jobs. So I'm fully in support of labor unions and
6. your struggle to develop a livelihood and to support
7. your fami lies, b ut I would s it to you that this is
8. a dead-end. And the notion that your interests are
9. aligned w ith the interests of the oil and gas
10. companies, I would submit to you is fundamentally
11. misplaced. And I a sk you to rethink that .
12. Fourth and finally, I'd like to address,
13. as other folks hav e , the Department of Environmental
14. Protection , your missi on statement, told you is it
15. your job of prot ecting th e environment . W e all know
16. that the DEP was gutted r the Corbet t
17. administr at ion. Right now , 'v e heard DEP described
18. a s dy sfunctiona l, because you' re so gutt ed out, so I
19. ask you to a e re to your mission stat ement and to th e
20. constit ution of Pennsylvania.
21. So for all those rea sons, I also urge
22. you consider the cumulativ e acts, as other folks
23. hav e ment ion d, and I urg e you t o reject the pe rmit
24. app lication. Thank you.
25. CHAIR:

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1. Thank you, Micha el. John Hudson?
2. M R. HUDSON:

3 My name is John Hud son, H U -D-s o N. I

1. represent the Teamst ers Union here Lancaster and
2. Alt oona and a ll through he re. I'm here to speak on
3. behalf of the pipeline proje ct. If I could have a
4. wish sitting here, what I'd wish is I would wish that
5. ev erybod y out here that hasn't wor d on a pipeline to
6. come out and see wha t we do on the pipelines and how
7. we go not the extra mile, but the extra ten miles ,
8. trying to make these thing s environment ally safe and
9. we do everything we can to protect the environment .
10. That's what we took our training for. Lo o k at these
11. guys, there 1 s a hundred yea rs of experience sitting
12. here building pipelines.
13. You know, we used to be a society when
14. we started out we ended up in caves and we were
15. burning wood and everything that went ev erywhere and
16. then we progressed and we had stoves and th ings. And
17. now w e have progressed to a society where w e can come
18. to a pla ce li ke this and meet , beca use we have
19. pipelines bringing us the natura l ga s and things to
20. the power plants that heat things.

Every t ime we p ut

1. in a natur al gas pipeline, we replace it w ith coal
2. or replace the coal pipeline or we replace heating oil

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1. and things, w e are helping the environment by 30 times
2. what you woul d have left it like it was.

3 I hav e w or ked on pipelines myse lf

1. p ersona lly for 40-some years. I hav e never seen in my
2. life, a w et land that wasn't put back just exactly like
3. it was. I cha llenge anybody in here to show me a
4. w etland or stream or something that wasn't put back
5. just exactly like it was befor e, and most of the time
6. b etter than what is was before. W e monitor these
7. things. W hen we leave the pip eline, it is cont inually
8. monitored to see everyt hing tha t's going on. The lady
9. that spoke, oh, there's no full-time jobs. Pipelining
10. is a job that we start to finish.

I mean, there are

1. temporary job s on this, but there are also a lot of
2. full time jobs that are available after this pipeline
3. is in.
4. ain, I'd just like to say, anybod y
5. that hasn't w orked on a pipeline, if we'r e lucky
6. enough that this goes thr ough, I want you to go out
7. and look at some of these streams and wet places and
8. things and how we do it. We go above and beyond what
9. the specifications say and what we are asked because
10. w e live in these communities and w e' re going to be
11. drinking the same water that ev erybod y else d rinks and
12. w e want it safe for our kids and our grand kids.

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1 And again, the environmental thing is a

1. big picture here, and we can sav e by using the natural
2. gas, cut out a coal-fired plant , look at what w e do
3. for entire environment. W e have a volcano that goes
4. off in Washington State, it a fects us all. And this
5. affects us all too. If w e can cut down on things
6. here , it helps us nationw ide. Thank you.
7. CHAIR:
8. Thank you, John. Jeff Logan.
9. MR. LOGAN:
10. Good evening. My name is Jeff Logan.
11. My address is 514 W oodcrest Drive, M echanicsburg,
12. Pennsylvania. I serve as the President of the
13. Pennsylvania Chemical Industry Council, PCIC for
14. short.

Wit h revenues of over $22 billion ,

1. Pennsylvania Chemi cal Indust ry Council members
2. compani es work to solve some of the bi ggest challenges
3. facing the nation and w orld.
4. I am proud to stand and support one of
5. our members, which is Suno co Log istics, as the
6. Pennsylvania based company mo ves forward with its
7. multi-billion dollar estimat ed transformationa l energy
8. constructio n project.
9. The chemical industry in Pennsylva ni a is
10. the fourth largest manuf acturing industry in the state

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1. and is responsi ble for approx tely 41,000 direct
2. jobs and another 50,000 indirect and support
3. p osit ions. These a re good p aying jobs. The aver age
4. salary is $88,000 a year. In additi on, the industry
5. a lso generates more than a b llion dollars annua lly in
6. federal and state and local taxes.
7. To ensure the chemical industries
8. cont inued growth in Pennsylva nia and the region,
9. ma nufact urers need t o be assured tha t they can
10. lev erage local ener gy supplies as their c etitiv e
11. edge. To do so requires investments in new energy infrastructure proj ects like th e Sunoco Mariner East
12. II Project. The $3 billion tot al investme nt in the
13. Ma riner East Projects I and II is one of the largest
14. priva te inv estments that our Commonwealth h as ever
15. seen.
16. This investment is pr ojected to create
17. 15 ,000 jobs, generate $ 62 billion in taxes over a two-
18. year construction period a support at least 300 to
19. 450 permanent jobs and contrib ut e $100 mill on
20. annually in the Pennsylvani a's economy. The company
21. h a s also purch ased American mad e steel for the more
22. than 500 combined miles of nat ura l ga s liquid
23. p ipeline.

The long-t erm benef its and p oss b ilit ies

1. are tremend ous as w ell.

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1 Moving natural gas liquids from Eastern

1. Ohio, N orth ern W est V irginia and W estern Pennsylva nia
2. across the Commonwe a lth ensures that we will not
3. become just anothe r source of raw ma teria ls for the
4. well-establ ished petrochemica l industries in the Gulf
5. Coast and Canada.

7 Furthermore, what w a s once on the verge

1. of be coming an 800-acre barr en field site at the
2. former M a rcus Hook refinery is now the home of what is
3. becoming a state of the art natur al gas li ids
4. storing and processing and d istribution facility that
5. is breathing new life into our community and the
6. reg ion as a whol e.
7. PCIC is excited about the prospect s for
8. growth, than to affordable and reliabl e ene rgy
9. supply. However, the continued deve lopment and growth
10. in Pennsy lvania's chemical industry depends on our
11. natura l gas infra structure to transport natural gas
12. resour ces sa ely and efficiently from the source to
13. mar ket.

The Mariner Ea st II project is an i

ortant

1. step in devel ing our energy infrastructure and the

2 project stands to carry with it a host of d irect and

1. indir ect benefits to

Pennsylv ania , especia lly with

1. manufacturing in the chemica l industry.
2. The m embe rs of the Pennsylvania Chemica l

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* 1. Industry Council strongly urge the approva l of the
  2. Sunoco Log istics Ma riner East II Project permit
  3. applications. Thank you.
  4. CHAIR:

5 Thank you, Jeff. With tha t that will

1. conclud e th is p ublic h earing. We will note for the
2. record that the R epresent at ives of the Pennsylvania
3. Department of Environment al Protect ion we re present to
4. hold his hea ring . As a remind er, the public comment
5. p eriod w ill close W ednesd ay , August 24th. If you wish
6. to submit quest ions or comments b etween now and then,
7. please feel free to us e the resources and informat ion
8. found on the information sheet that was mad e ava ilab le
9. t o you when you came here this evening. W ith that,
10. thank you for b e ing here tonig ht, we app reciat e your
11. interest in this project. Have a safe t rip home. And
12. goodnig ht , every one.

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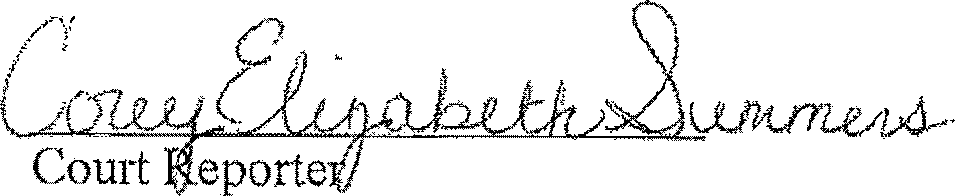
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1. CERTIFICATE
2. I hereby cert ify that the foregoing proceedings,
3. hearing h eld befor e Cha ir R epetz was reported by me on
4. 8/9 /16 and that I, C orey E lizab eth Summers, read this
5. transcript, and that I attest that this transcript is

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