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Afternoon

Good Morning. My name is Donald P. Marra, Deputy Administrator of the Village of Irvington. I am representing the concerns of Mayor Dennis Flood, The Board of Trustees and the residents of the Village of Irvington.

WHILE THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON HAS SERIOUS CONCERNS WITH THE PROPOSED PIPELINE PROJECT IN GENERAL, IT ~~The Village of Irvington~~ is extremely concerned with the Department of State assertion that there are "reasonable alternatives" to the Millennium ~~pipeline Hudson River Crossing PROJECT~~ certified by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Irvington is especially concerned with the Palisades-Dobbs Ferry/Irvington ~~Route Option~~ <sup>ALTERNATIVE</sup>. We understand that this is the generally preferred option as stated by the New York Department of State. It includes construction along the Palisades Parkway in Rockland County, crossing the Hudson River between Tallman Mountain State Park and the Villages of Dobbs Ferry and Irvington, parallel to an existing pipeline operated by Tennessee Gas, and connecting with the existing Millennium route along the Saw Mill Parkway.

Regarding

Please consider the following points <sup>4</sup> as this alternate route ~~is considered~~:

- The Millennium Pipeline Route was certified after more than four years of study and in-depth analysis of more than a dozen potential route alternatives. ~~The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has approved a route for this project~~
- It appears that the impacts created by this route are far greater than the approved route
- The Village of Irvington has not been officially informed by any agency that this route is being considered as an alternate route.
- The Village of Irvington is very concerned with the potential for disaster having two parallel major gas pipelines through its neighborhoods. Safety is a major concern

On a personal note, I grew up in Dobbs Ferry and still remember the impact the Tennessee Gas Line construction had on ~~our~~ neighborhood. I lived in a house that was approximately 50 feet from the gas line. The impact of the construction was enormous. It is unfair and unconscionable to ask the same neighborhoods and communities to be subjected to another major gas line construction project of this magnitude.

Thank you.

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