Subject: **Fw: Millenium Pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Fri, 03 Jan 2003 08:53:42 -0500
From: Daniel Wolff <ziwolff@optonline.net>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov
CC: vanderhoef@county.rockland.ny.us, morahan@senate.state.ny.us, gromack@assembly.state.ny.us, senator@schumer.senate.gov, senator@clinton.senate.gov

As a Rockland County resident, I urge you to oppose the routing of the Millennium Pipeline through either Tallman Mountain Park, the Piermont Marsh or Hook Mountain Park.

None of these locations can bear the damage that would come with the pipeline, and there are other, less environmentally destructive routes available.

Daniel Wolff
12 Castle Heights
Nyack NY 10960

Subject: **Millennium Pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Fri, 3 Jan 2003 07:45:26 EST
From: <Eproth@aol.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this in opposition to the proposed Millennium Pipeline and its inconsistency with the Coastal Zone Management Act.

There is no national interest strong enough to override the deleterious effects this specific pipeline route would have on the coastal environment and on the New York City water supply. Haverstraw Bay, through which the pipeline would cross, has been designated by New York State as a "Significant Coastal Fish and Wildlife Habitat." Numerous scientific studies have documented the unique nature of the Bay and the critical role it plays in the Atlantic coast's ecosystem. The Bay is home to the federally listed endangered shortnose sturgeon and has been designated by the National Marine Fisheries Service as and Essential Fish Habitat for numerous other species.

The recommended pipeline route would also include construction activity on pristine water supply lands located in the New Croton Reservoir Watershed. Like all City reservoirs this water is unfiltered before it is consumed by 900,000 persons on an average day. Therefore, watershed protection efforts are the sole practice used to enure that water quality is maintained at the highest levels. It is crucial that the loading of pollutants into this reservoir be controlled. Millennium's proposal to build its pipeline across a 2.5 mile swath of the Croton watershed will require removal of trees and other vegetation across 20- - 25 acres of watershed lands. In addition to causing the one-time runoff of construction-related pollutants, this substantial loss of vegetation will permanently reduce the watershed's ability to absorb pollutants and prevent contaminants from reaching water bodies.

I believe that the **Bowline Solution** is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipelineâ€™s 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to the Federal Energy Regulatory of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York
State." The **Bowline Solution** is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environment and endangering our communities

Sincerely,
Ellen P. Roth
9 Travis Lane
Montrose, NY 10548

Subject: **Millenium Pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Fri, 03 Jan 2003 08:08:08 -0500
From: "Catherine Heider" <c_heider@hotmail.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov
CC: vanderhoef@county.rockland.ny.us, morahan@senate.state.ny.us, gromack@assembly.state.ny.us, senator@schumer.senate.gov

We are writing regarding the Millenium Pipeline. We are opposed to re-routing of the pipeline through Hook Mountain, Tallman State Park or the Piermont Marsh in Rockland County. Too many natural areas in our county are being disrupted - please don't add any of these to the list!
-Cathy and Joe Heider
316 North Broadway
Nyack, NY 10960

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Subject: **[Fwd: gas pipeline for rockland county stinks]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 02 Jan 2003 10:02:56 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: _NOS OCRM GCOS Millennium Comments <Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov>

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: gas pipeline for rockland county stinks
Date: Tue, 31 Dec 2002 18:12:38 -0500
From: Russ Harris <voyceman@optonline.net>
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Gleaves: Let's keep the proposed gas pipeline for Westchester County where it belongs--in Westchester County. Not in Rockland. And whose brilliant idea is it to even consider running the thing through the Piermont Marsh or Hook Mountain in Nyack? Russ Harris

Voiceover/Narration
886 Piermont Avenue
Piermont NY 10968 845.359.0417

Subject: **[Fwd: Millenium Pipeline]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 02 Jan 2003 10:03:24 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: _NOS OCRM GCOS Millennium Comments <Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov>

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Millenium Pipeline
Date: Tue, 31 Dec 2002 16:05:28 -0500
From: "CJ McLean" <cjdougmcl@peoplepc.com>
To: <millenium.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Sir: We have read of the proposed change in the route of the Millenium Pipeline with great dismay. As we understand it, this is to provide gas for Westchester County, yet Westchester does not wish to have the pipeline through the northern part of their county. There was an approved plan to cross Haverstraw Bay to Westchester and proceed south to Mount Vernon. Because of the outcry from Westchester (NIMBY), the current proposal is to route it through Rockland County with no regard for the environmental impact on our parklands. We strongly object to the lack of publicity given to the proposed change and the short time that was allowed for comments on the change. If Westchester needs the gas, let them bear the impact of transporting it there. Let's not dump the problem on Rockland County!

C.J. and Douglas McLean
510 No. Broadway
Upper Nyack, N. Y. 10960

Subject: **Comments refuting Millennium's claim of lack of Alternative Hudson Crossing**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 2 Jan 2003 10:03:35 EST
From: <DRFLEYE@aol.com>
CC: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

David Kahn M.D.
2 Summerland Ln
Briarcliff Manor, N.Y.

Secretary Donald Evans
Department of Commerce
Washington, D.C.

Re: Millennium Pipeline

Dear Secretary Evans: 1/2/2003

Please consider the following arguments to refute Millenniumâ€™s claim that alternative routes, as suggested by the NYDOS, are not viable.

Millennium, in its initial brief to NOAA of 8/12/02, stated that the alternative specified by NYDOS, to stop its pipeline on the West side of the Hudson River at Bowline, is not economically viable. It said on pg 99 thatâ€□ building 90% of the pipeline 390 miles to deliver 50% of the pipelineâ€™s capacity would not even permit the recovery of costs and thus would never be seriously considered. Nor is there any reasonable or environmentally preferable alternative means of transporting the gas from Bowline to New York City.â€□

In contrast to these statements, consider the following:
1) The Millennium Pipeline will replace 220 miles of existing 50 year old pipeline, the A5 pipeline, owned by Millenniumâ€™s parent company/partner, that is corroded and lacks reliability. Therefore, replacing this pipeline needs to be considered routine maintenance that Millennium/Columbia would have to perform and pay for, in any event, to keep its existing customers. In fact, this replacement is so economically viable that Columbia built 10.9 miles of recent pipeline in the early 1990â€™s at Ramapo to the Bowline Generating Station to service its customer there (pg 6-7, Millennium initial brief to NOAA) even before the existence of the Millennium Pipeline proposal.

2) Bowline is the site of newly proposed electric generation plants. Is it not conceivable that much of the 350,000 dekatherms of extra gas Millennium proposed to deliver east of the Hudson could be used at Bowline to generate 2,000 megawatts of electricity destined for consumption in the NYC area? Indian Point nuclear electric generation facility, approximately 5 miles away from Bowline, is under fierce pressure to close in view of post 9-11 safety concerns. Is it inconceivable that the same 350,000 dekatherms of natural gas could be alternatively used to convert its generation of 2000 megawatts of current electric production?(This conversion could conceivably be needed for national security concerns.)

With regard to Millennium claiming that the DOS alternative to utilize the Algonquin Pipeline is not viable, let me point out that FERC in the FEIS pg 3-37 concluded that this connection would require upgrades of the Algonquin and further connection to the Iroquois pipeline. The Iroquois system would utilize the Eastchester Expansion Pipeline to get the gas to the same terminus as Millennium at Hunts point, Bronx. FERC said the â€œcostsâ€□, compared to Millenniumâ€™s â€œmight make this alternative unviable. However, FERC overestimated the cost of this proposal since it erroneously added the cost ($174 million) of the already approved Eastchester Expansion Pipeline, and failed to add the reported $100 million that will be paid by Millennium to create the Bronx portion of the Millennium Pipeline to Huntâ€™s Point from Mt Vernon, NY.

With regard to Millennium claiming that there are no other Hudson river crossing alternatives, much of its arguments relate to inadequate staging areas available for these alternative crossings. But, consider this:

1) The Algonquin Pipeline is made up of two side by side pipelines. There was adequate staging area for this pipeline company to put not only one pipeline but two pipelines across the Hudson River at this point. Entergy, the company that currently owns the Indian Point Nuclear facility, where these pipelines are located, had recently proposed to build peak natural gas burning electricity generators just to the South of the Algonquin Pipelines. Therefore, there is adequate space there for Millenniumâ€™s pipeline, if the space is inadequate to the North.

2) The Tennessee pipeline crosses the Hudson River South of Piermont NY. It too is a two pipeline crossing. Not only was adequate staging area available there for both of these pipelines to cross, but the El Paso ConneXion Project, one of the multiple pipeline projects that would obviate the need for Millenniumâ€™s pipeline, is proposed to also pass into the Hudson there. Engineers for El Paso have indicated staging is not a problem.

The above emphasizes Millenniumâ€™s deception in many of its arguments to the DOC, or how little homework and thought Millennium put into its Hudson River crossing alternatives, and why the NYDOS was right in finding Millenniumâ€™s proposal to be inconsistent with the CZMP.

Sincerely yours,

David Kahn, M.D.

Subject: Comment 12/2/2002 that was sent to the wrong Email Address
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 2 Jan 2003 10:17:37 EST
From: <DRFLEYE@aol.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

David Kahn M.D.
2 Summerland Ln
Briarcliff Manor, N.Y 10510
914-762-7696

Secretary Donald Evans
Department of Commerce
Washington, D.C.

Dear Secretary Evans 12/2/2002

At the DOC hearing on 11/13/02, I was struck by several speakers from Irvington, New York. Aside from the fact these individuals could lose their electricity or water supply (an accident or terrorist strike to the Millennium Pipeline next to the Con Edison high voltage power corridor, or secondly to the Catskill Aqueduct, would cause Irvington in the Coastal Zone to lose all electricity and 40% of the NYCâ€™s supply , or respectively all water supply and 40% of the supply to NYC) , they spoke of the threat to their homes, having just been informed that the Millennium pipeline would be going there.

They are not on the pipeline route so why were these people just getting Emails informing them of this possibility as late as 5:30 AM on the date of the hearing.
It seems that Millennium had just met with officials and leaders in the community of Irvington to scare these citizens; they are reported as saying that if the pipeline route is altered, it will be going through Irvington. One can only guess why Millennium would chose to do this at this time since pipeline companies are not usually the ones to try to scare residents about pipelines along a potential route.

Several interesting conclusions can be made by Millennium's actions:
1) By frightening these Irvington residents without formally studying this Irvington alternative, Millennium underscores that they think that this is a very viable Alternative.
In spite of Millenniumsâ€™s assertion that there are no other Alternative routes that would minimize or eliminate the serious effects on the CZMP, there are many such alternatives that Millennium chose not to investigate, as the NYDOS brief indicates.
2) By scaring residents in this way, Millennium also acknowledges that such a high pressure natural gas pipeline is a serious safety concern; it can't be allowed to seriously argue to the DOC that it is not a safety concern to the present route next to water aqueducts, high voltage electric corridors or schools, but it is to local residents of Irvington.
3) This is another example of a pattern of deception and unscrupulous behavior on the part of Millennium. Add this to the busing in of union workers from hundreds of miles away to yell epithets at Westchester's citizenry concerned about the harmful affects of this pipeline project at the recent DOC hearing.

Thus Millenniumâ€™s tricks and arguments put forth in their legal challenge of the NYDOS lack of consistency determination should be deeply suspect.

Sincerely yours,

David Kahn, M.D.

Comment 12/2/2002 that was sent to the wrong Email Address

Subject: **[Fwd: Millennium Pipeline]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 02 Jan 2003 10:30:44 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: _NOS OCRM GCOS Millennium Comments <Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov>

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Millennium Pipeline
Date: Thu, 2 Jan 2003 10:07:20 -0500
From: "Mitch Clark" <mclark@palisadesfcu.org>
To: <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>

Dear Dr. Gleaves:

I am writing you to let you know that the current plans for a Natural Gas Pipeline through RocklandCounty's Green Belt along the Hudson River is something I am very much against.

I am against this on so many levels its hard to share them all with you but mostly I'm against it because of the disruption construction on the pipeline will create in areas of our communities that haven't been disturbed in decades or longer.

We here in Rockland have fought long and hard to acquire and preserve what little open space is left next to the mega-city, New York.It is the right of future generations to enjoy the natural splendor that was once the greater metropolitan region.

There must be other alternatives to meet the goals that this new supply of gas is intended to meet. I know that money is probably the biggest constraint to doing the right thing.But money must be found to do it.The area that you plan to place this pipeline is in an area that should be made off limits to all of mans unnatural desires to subdue his surroundings.

If you're having a hard time thinking outside the box on this one please do not hesitate to ask for some suggestions.

I remain,

Mitch Clark

Resident of South Nyack, NY

Subject: **MILLENNIUM PIPLINE**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 2 Jan 2003 11:27:15 -0500
From: "Kenneth Vigiletti" <KenV@dimcom.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

1/2/03

Dear DOC,

I believe that the Bowline Solution is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal
Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipeline's 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to
the Federal Energy Regulatory of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State". The Bowline Solution is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals
without destroying our environment and endangering our communities.

Sincerly,
Ken Vigiletti
30 Applebee Farm Rd
Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520

Subject: **Millennium Pipeline - PLEASE SUPPORT THE BOWLINE SOLUTION**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 2 Jan 2003 14:19:28 -0500
From: <Harvey_Karp@candle.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to you to ask for your consideration of the very viable BOWLINE Solution for the routing of the Millennium Pipeline. Not choosing the BOWLINE alternative places the Pipeline too close to populated areas and infrastructure, with the potential exposure of devastating terrorist attacks. This risk to our population as well as to its water supply, electrical supply and environmental stability presents unacceptable risks to both Westchester and NYC which far outweigh any rational benefits this pipeline will bring to the people of New York.

I plead with you to have the courage to minimize such horrible risks and select the BOWLINE solution. Please let good sense prevail.

Thank you.

Harvey Karp
7 Sassi Drive
Croton-Hudson, New York 10520

Subject: **Proposed Pipeline Route Through Rockland Co**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 2 Jan 2003 15:13:02 -0500
From: "Rich Harrington" <patrichh@erols.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

A recent news story indicated that the proposed Millennium Pipeline routing is being considered to go along the Palisades Parkway and cross the Hudson near Piermont. I and my family are adamantly opposed to this possibility.

The initial routing crossing the Hudson at Haverstraw makes more sense since the gas is intended for parts of Westchester and New York City. The proposals to go through residential or parkland areas of Rockland County is no less complicated than going through Westchester as initially proposed.

It would seem that the same people who object to Indian Point Nuclear Power don't want to use natural gas produced in North America either. Perhaps they would like to import more oil so we can continue our dependency on the Middle Eastern supplies.

Richard and Patricia Harrington
58 Poplar St
Nanuet, NY 10954

Subject: **Millennium Pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 02 Jan 2003 20:22:13 -0500
From: Elena Anderson <sajac@optonline.net>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov
CC: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov, gov.pataki@chamber.state.ny.us, vanderhs@co.rockland.ny.us, morahan@senate.state.ny.us, gromaca@assembly.state.ny.us

have just been informed of an effort to reroute the Millennium Pipeline through Rockland County.

The New York State Department of State has proposed eight alternatives. Four of which would cross the river at Piermont Marsh and another at Hook Mountain State Park.

These proposals would route the pipeline through our neighborhoods, public water wells and two major highways. They are ill-advised and environmentally unsound.

As a Rockland County resident I find it particularly offensive that we were originally given only a few days to react to the department's proposals.

Leave our magnificent river communities alone!

Elena Anderson
420 Tompkins Avenue
Upper Nyack, NY 10960

Subject: **Millennium Pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 2 Jan 2003 20:31:35 -0500
From: "Win and Betty Perry" <w&bperry@tco.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

Please do not approve routing of the Millennium Pipeline through Tallman Mountain Park, the Piermont Marsh, or Hook Mountain Park in Rockland County, New York. These are priceless environmental treasures whose fragile nature would be irreparably damaged.

Winston C. Perry Jr.
Betty P. Perry
319 N. Broadway
Nyack NY 10960

Subject: **pipeline comment**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 2 Jan 2003 22:52:43 -0500
From: "David B. Thomas" <DThomasGroup@msn.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am strongly opposed to the proposed pipeline route as it stands now, especially the path that it is taking through Westchester County. Not only is it an abomination to run this pipeline through Teatown Lake Reservation, (the irony of cutting through a nature preserve has not been lost on many local residents), it is completely irresponsible and unacceptable to have the route follow the Taconic State Parkway and thus be in such close proximity to the Briarcliff schools! In this new era of increased uncertainty, we must reject any plan that puts our children at risk. Not only would a pipeline mishap have dire consequences for our children, there is the potential for even far greater disaster by compromising a major traffic artery. I suggest you carefully consider the consequences and weigh the risks that we are taking and hope that you come to the conclusion that the Bowline Solution is the best alternative plan.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dena Thomas
76 Birch Road
Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510

Subject: **Millenniaum Pipline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Wed, 1 Jan 2003 15:29:23 -0500
From: "harriart" <harriart@fcc.net>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

To whom it may concern:

I oppose the rerouting of the Millennium Pipeline across Piermont Marsh or at Hook Mountain. As you know this route is environmentally unsound.

Harriet Hyams

Subject: **To NOAA From Paul Wasserman - Protect the Kids of Ripley, New York**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Wed, 1 Jan 2003 21:12:09 EST
From: <WASSYP@aol.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov
CC: GeriShapiro@aol.com, cheryl.murray@chamber.state.ny.us

Dear NOAA:

Please be advised that according to the Ripley Taxpayer's Association, the Millennium Pipeline would run near a SCHOOL. The children of Ripley, New York need to be protected. Ripley, New York sits on Lake Erie, which I would assume is in New York's coastal zone.

Very truly yours,

Paul Wasserman
914-946-1800

Subject: **Opposing New Millennium Pipeline Routes**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Tue, 31 Dec 2002 14:26:38 -0500
From: "Linda Barone" <lbarone@hoffmanmills.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Mr. Gleaves,

My husband and I strongly oppose any new pipeline routes which may pass on or near Piermont, Piermont Landing, Paradise Harbour and/or Tallman Mountain State Park areas.

The town of Piermont is a historic and scenic town known for its quaintness and natural beauty which attracts hundreds of tourists each year. These concentrated residential areas are bordered by precious bird sanctuaries and state park lands that would be devastated by this kind of insidious construction. We also pay the highest taxes in Piermont and have no interest whatsoever to see our surrounding lands intruded upon by the possible development of this pipeline.

Thank you for your time and understanding.

Sincerely,
Linda & Gene Barone
204 Gair St.
Piermont, NY 10968

Subject: **[Fwd: abandon alternate pipeline routes]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Tue, 31 Dec 2002 14:30:29 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: _NOS OCRM GCOS Millennium Comments <Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov>

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: abandon alternate pipeline routes
Date: Tue, 31 Dec 2002 11:00:01 -0800 (PST)
From: Trudi Fischetti <trudif7@yahoo.com>
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov

It is with utmost concern and alarm that I urge you to abandon alternate routes through Rockland County.

Keep the pipeline going across at Haverstraw to Westchester. Stay away from our towns and route it along the east side of the river where it belongs.

Trudi Fischetti of Piermont NY

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Subject: **Millennium Pipeline location**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Tue, 31 Dec 2002 15:43:37 EST
From: <WLPlumb@aol.com>
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov, Millennium.comments@noaa.gov

We are writing to urge that the path of the Millennium Pipeline NOT be altered to cross the Hudson River at the Piermont Marsh which is an environmentally protected habitat for all sorts of wildlife. A sensible decision has already been made to locate the crossing of the Hudson further north at Haverstraw and, although there will be opposition to each and every location by some party, the already selected location is less likely to damage the fragile ecology of the Hudson Estuary which is protected by federal and state law.

William and Catherine Plumb
357 Piermont Avenue
Piermont, NY 10968
845.398.0028

Subject: **[Fwd: Millennium Pipeline location]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Tue, 31 Dec 2002 15:57:49 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: _NOS OCRM GCOS Millennium Comments <Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov>

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Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Tue, 31 Dec 2002 17:46:58 -0500
From: Russ Harris <voyceman@optonline.net>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Folks: This is a protest against the proposed gas pipeline to run through Rockland County and particularly through the marshes of Piermont and/or Hook Mountain in Nyack. Absurd. What happened to running the thing in the county where it will be used--Westchester? Or is their political clout too loud and too rich?

Russ Harris
Voiceover/Narration
886 Piermont Avenue
Piermont NY 10968

845.359.0417

Subject: **Millennium Pipeline through Piermont Marsh**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 30 Dec 2002 09:28:52 EST
From: <Vwbugger65@aol.com>
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov
CC: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Mr Gleaves

As a concerned citizen of the Village of Piermont, NY, I must write to you to let you know how upsetting is was to learn that the Millennium Pipeline may be run through Tallman Mountain State Park and the Piermont Marsh. I have lived in Rockland County for most of my life and in that time I have seen some disastrous changes resulting from ill-conceived planning and an uninformed public.

I have lived in Piermont only a short time, but live directly under Tallman Mountain. I walk through the park along the Piermont Marsh every day of my life. Nowhere else in this county have I seen such beauty and such an abundance of wildlife - Whitetail Deer, Osprey, Egrets, Herons, Redtail Hawks, Harriers, Fox, Coyote - the list goes on and on. Have you ever stood on an embankment above the Piermont Marsh and taken in what is there? I have, and every time I do I have the same reaction - My God, how fortunate are we to have such beauty in our lives.

I have seen Rockland County over-developed and turned in to an ugly, crowded semi-industrial area with dwindling open space. Everything here seems to be at the mercy of "progress" and what's "good" for everyone else. Thousands of cookie-cutter houses on postage stamp-sized parcels of property strip mall after strip mall, mega-malls and industrial parks, highways and bi-ways have all sprung up and there seems to be no stopping this momentum. Man did not create this Earth, but he sure did create the mess.

Please, Mr. Gleaves, hear what the people of Piermont are saying. We've had enough. We live here because of it's beauty and tranquility. Don't let this pipeline disrupt our lives and upset the balance of nature that is already on the edge of disaster. Save the Piermont Marsh. Send the Millennium Pipeline elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Keith Clabaugh
Piermont, NY

Subject: **[Fwd: Millennium Pipeline through Piermont Marsh]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 30 Dec 2002 09:56:49 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Millennium Pipeline through Piermont Marsh
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CC: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

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I have lived in Piermont only a short time, but live directly under Tallman Mountain. I walk through the park along the Piermont Marsh every day of my life. Nowhere else in this county have I seen such beauty and such an abundance of wildlife - Whitetail Deer, Osprey, Egrets, Herons, Redtail Hawks, Harriers, Fox, Coyote - the list goes on and on. Have you ever stood on an embankment above the Piermont Marsh and taken in what is there? I have, and every time I do I have the same reaction - My God, how fortunate are we to have such beauty in our lives.

I have seen Rockland County over-developed and turned in to an ugly, crowded semi-industrial area with dwindling open space. Everything here seems to be at the mercy of "progress" and what's "good" for everyone else. Thousands of cookie-cutter houses on postage stamp-sized parcels of property, strip mall after strip mall, mega-malls and industrial parks, highways and bi-ways have all sprung up and there seems to be no stopping this momentum. Man did not create this Earth, but he sure did create the mess.

Please, Mr Gleaves hear what the people of Piermont are saying We've had enough. We live here because of it's beauty and tranquility. Don't let this pipeline disrupt our lives and upset the balance of nature that is already on the edge of disaster. Save the Piermont Marsh. Send the Millennium Pipeline elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Keith Clabaugh
Piermont, NY

Subject: **(no subject)**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Sun, 22 Dec 2002 18:20:37 EST
From: <Elbow107@aol.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

please be advised that the government of piermont, n.y. opposes the new pipeline route through piermont n.y.,our town.
thank you
ellen bucciarelli

Subject: **millennium pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Sat, 21 Dec 2002 08:56:33 -0800 (PST)
From: Trudi Fischetti <trudif7@yahoo.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

I am voicing strong objections to the alternate routes proposed for the millennium pipeline. Rockland County is not the first choice proposed and I urge that the Westchester route be used. The US Secretary of Commerce should be notfied of my comments ASAP. Thank you. Trudi Fischetti of Piermont NY

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Subject: **Pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Fri, 20 Dec 2002 15:11:16 -0500 (EST)
From: smarkim@webtv.net (sondra markim)
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov
CC: supervisor@orangetown.com, supervisor@orangetown.com

We live near the Piermont Marsh wetlands an we frequently picnic an hike i Tallman State park...one ofthe reasons we bought here was to be able to do that.
We greatly object to the pipiline coming through ourarea.

It would violate the Coastal Zoning Management Act of 1972, it would harm the enironment and do damage to the Park where they propose to blast a cliff.We are concerne it would alsopose a danger to our area if a leakage or explosion happened.

We urge the National Oceanic Atmospheric Adminisration not allow tghe pipeline to be routed here.

Thank you,

Al and Sondra Markim

Subject: **Fwd: Millennium Pipeline Through Suffern**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Tue, 17 Dec 2002 12:19:38 -0500
From: <AlFredel@aol.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Subject: **Millennium Pipeline Through Suffern**
Date: Tue, 17 Dec 2002 12:16:42 -0500
From: AlFredel@aol.com
To: comments@noaa.gov
CC: Sufferncivic@aol.com

To whom it may concern

I believe that running the Millennium Pipeline through Suffern would be a very bad idea. Here are a few reasons why this should not be considered.

- Running a high pressure natural gas pipeline through a populated area such as Suffern is a safety concern. If anything should happen once the pipeline is in place, such a pipeline could pose a health danger to residents, our natural resources including water and air quality and our property.

- The construction of this pipeline would cause major inconveniences to Suffern residents due to the creation of limited access to roads. It would also take away from the look of the village due to the construction machinery that will be left day after day on our streets. Our village is currently in a revitalization and it would greatly impact the efforts of the village.

- The pipeline is a hazard to our environment. One of the proposed routes would take the pipeline along RT 202, a road which is very close to Harriman State Park, among other protected lands. The residents of Suffern and other communities have spent years helping to protect these lands and pipeline construction would disturb wildlife, destroy habitat and create an eyesore.

My family and I are opposed to the construction of the Millennium Pipeline through Suffern as well as through Rockland County. We encourage NOAA and the Department of Commerce to help find an alternate route that would not present such a danger to our community and county.

Sincerely,

Alfred R. Fredel

Subject: **[Fwd: millenium pipeline]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Tue, 03 Dec 2002 09:18:04 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: millenium pipeline
Date: Mon, 02 Dec 2002 20:03:40 -0500
From: John Gromada <john.gromada@verizon.net>
Reply-To: gromada@alumni.duke.edu
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov

Mr Gleaves,

I am writing to express my dismay about the proposals to route the millenium pipeline through Rockland county, and particularly through Hook mountain, Tallman mountain and Piermont marsh. Since information about these proposals has just started to be released publicly, it is impossible for me to respond fully since I have not been able to see the proposals myself. However, if the word on the street is correct these proposals are heinous. The parklands mentioned are not only crucial habitats for wildlife, but for humans as well. They are some of the most lovely natural areas close to NYC and disturbing them with this pipeline should be unthinkable. I suggest that you rethink this bad plan through. Also, I hope that the comment period can be extended to a date in the future which would allow you to widely publicize the report and the citizens of the area time to actually see the proposals and give them some thought.

Barbara Cohig
8 First Ave.
Nyack, NY 10960
845-353-3067

Subject: **Millennium pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Tue, 3 Dec 2002 10:16:26 -0500
From: "Buchbinder, Janet" <BuchbinderJ@ramnet.k12.ny.us>
To: "'millennium.comments@noaa.gov'" <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

To Whom It May Concern:
I want to register my opposition to the placement of the Millennium pipeline (Docker No. CP-150 et al) anywhere in Rockland County. The pipeline presents a hazard to all of us living in the area and endangers wildlife in protected areas.
Janet Buchbinder
West Nyack, NY

Subject: **[Fwd: Opposition to the Pipeline proposed to run through Rockland County, NY]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Tue, 03 Dec 2002 12:31:49 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Opposition to the Pipeline proposed to run through Rockland County, NY
Date: Tue, 3 Dec 2002 12:14:39 EST
From: <MDERVEN@aol.com>
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed plans to run a
pipeline thtrough the very environmentally sensitive Piermont marsh.
This plan must be re-considered and more sutiable alternatives found. there
must be sufficient time for public comment.
Sincerely,
Marjorie Derven
312 Piermont Avenue
Piermont, NY 10968
845.359.5083

Subject: **[Fwd: Concerned about Milennium Pipeline]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 02 Dec 2002 10:23:58 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Concerned about Millennium Pipeline
Date: Sun, 1 Dec 2002 20:24:55 EST
From: <Horslip@aol.com>
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Gleaves,

As a resident of Nyack, New York (in Rockland County), I am writing to voice my strong opposition to the fast-tracked plans to send the Millennium Pipeline down the Palisades, and through Hook Mountain or Tallman Mountain State Parks. I am deeply offended by what I consider to be a complete lack of due process - having only just heard about the plans this week and having heard that our deadline for public comment is December 2.

This project has the potential to completely disturb the sensitive eco-systems in this area, as well as bring great upheaval and wasteful expense to the people of this region. We have already sustained years of road construction along the Palisades Parkway and Rte. 9W - projects which have only just recently been completed. Our county already suffers air pollution from several power plants, traffic, emissions, noise and upheaval from the thruway, and provides critical social services for the region, all of which greatly serves our neighbors in Westchester County who apparently have been given an extensive opportunity to oppose the pipeline in their area. We demand nothing less than the same opportunity.

Further, with the recent gerrymandering of our district we have lost our voice in Congress. At the very least, the federal government owes this community the time and opportunity to learn all the facts and have the same voice in the decision over the route of this pipeline as our neighbors across the river. This pipeline has the same, if not a greater potential to destroy what remains of the natural environment on our side of the river as it does on the other. To route this pipeline through communities which stand to benefit least from the fuel it will tranport, and which are most vulnerable to the destruction it will cause, is by definition a great injustice.

I urge you to re-evaluate this plan and open this public debate to my community by extending the deadline for public comment to sometime in

February or March, 2003, and by holding public hearings in the communities
that are in the path of the newly proposed route.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Cairns
2 Aldine Park
Nyack, NY 10960
845-353-8365

Subject: **[Fwd: re Millenium pipeline thru Rockland County - no, no, no - not ever]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 02 Dec 2002 10:25:21 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: re Millennium pipeline thru Rockland County - no, no, no - not ever
Date: 29 Nov 2002 23:32:43 -0500
From: Lance McGinnis <mcginnis@mjmcreative.com>
Reply-To: Lance McGinnis <mcginnis@mjmcreative.com>
To:

<Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>,<gov.pataki%chamber.state.ny.us.gov.pataki@chamber.state.ny.us
CC: <rockland@westches.gannett.com>,
<info@nyackvillager.com>,<Gattullo@aol.com>,
<letters@rocklandcountytimes.com>, <mail@wrcr.com>

I respectfully request that you register my strong oppposition to bringing the Millenium Pipeline through Rockland county to serve residents of Westchester. It is idiotic to waste money studying alternative routes when an appropriate route has already been approved. And it just plain wrong. For your own sake, keep it where it has already been studied and approved.

If you want a major fight on your hands, you will get one when you attempt to bulldoze Tallman State Park, Hook Mountain or the Piermont Marshes. We will never, never, never let that happen.

It is shameful behavior that the public comment period should be quietly announced, not covered in local papers (as the Journal News neglected to do, no doubt because it's based in Westchester) and then scheduled to end the Monday after Thanksgiving.

Rockland has been the whipping boy of New York State for far too long - we get pay more taxes and get less services than practically any other county in the state. Bringing the Millenium Pipeline below Haverstraw south through Rockland will spark a reaction from a peaceable population that will be shocking in its volume and scope.

I warn the officials of New York State to not kick this sleeping dog any longer - such an outrageous Millenium move will turn what seems to be a sleeping beagle into a raging pitbull.

Lance McGinnis
Nyack

Subject: **[Fwd: The Piermont Marsh]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 02 Dec 2002 10:25:58 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: The Piermont Marsh
Date: Fri, 29 Nov 2002 22:05:56 EST
From: <Roadruck56@aol.com>
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Gleaves,
My name is Alan Ruck and I live in Piermont N.Y.
I'm writing to you as a concerned citizen who has some serious objections to some of the proposed "alternative" routes for the Millennium pipeline. I was pleased to hear that Congressman Eliot Engel is going to ask the Department of Commerce for an extension to the December 2nd deadline for public comment on this matter.
But, really, if the proposed routes through the Piermont marsh are every bit the violations of the Coastal Zoning Management Act that the Haverstraw Bay route was, how can they be seriously entertained as viable alternative routes? It is simply not acceptable. Another way must be found. I know that you are exceedingly busy, but if you want to send me an e-mail, I'd happily read it.

Thank you very much.

Alan Ruck.

Subject: **[Fwd: Gas Pipeline in Rockland]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 02 Dec 2002 10:26:27 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Gas Pipeline in Rockland
Date: Fri, 29 Nov 2002 19:57:30 -0500
From: "Kara Uleman" <karalea2@earthlink.net>
Reply-To: karalea2@earthlink.net
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Gleaves, A friend just alerted me that there are tentative plans to construct the "Millennium Pipeline" through Rockland County, possibly right through my favorite park and recreational areas (Piermont Marsh and Tallman State Park). I strongly OPPOSE the construction of this pipeline through Rockland County!!! I understand that original plans to route the pipeline through Westchester County were rejected due to a powerful public outcry from Westchester residents. I hope we in Rockland County can do the same. Please do not let this pipeline be built in my back yard! Kara Ulemankaralea2@earthlink.netWhy Wait? Move to EarthLink.

Subject: **Millennium Pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 2 Dec 2002 10:28:40 EST
From: <Leschack20@aol.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Sir/Madam:

I wish to voice my opposition to the millennium pipeline. It is proposed to be built dangerously close to the Briarcliff elementary school and would endanger all of the children who attend the school (including my daughter). It is also environmentally unsound.

Thank you.

Dean R. Brown
Briarcliff Manor NY

Subject: **Letter Regarding Millenium Pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 2 Dec 2002 10:29:22 -0500
From: <Deborah.Chomiw@rrd.com>
To: <Millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear NOAA

PLEASE DONT PUT A PIPELINE IN TEATOWN LAKE. IT WILL BE UNFAIR TO ME AND THE ANIMALS AND THE FISH EVEN MY MOMMY AND MY DADDY AND MY NATURE FRIENDS. LOVE ADRIAN CHOMIW

246 WATCH HILL RD.
CORTLANDT MANOR, NY 10567

Subject: **(no subject)**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 02 Dec 2002 10:31:02 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

-------- Original Message --------
Date: Fri, 29 Nov 2002 09:54:57 -0500
From: "Carolyn R." <greywolf50@earthlink.net>
To: <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>

Dear Mr. Gleaves,Once again the powers that be decide that Rockland County isn't important enough, so let's just dump on them again.Why at the last minute have plans been announced to bring this Millenium Pipeline through Rockland?Why has there been no real notification?Why are we deprived from public hearings, due process, and all the democratic trappings?Another grand example of taxation without representataion?Why another subterfuge to attempt to rape our county?WE ARE TIRED OF IT. WE WILL NOT TAKE THIS SITTING DOWN.We don't want your damned pipeline. We want a say in what happens to our land>Carolyn Rowan

Subject: **pipeline proposal docket cp-150 et al**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 2 Dec 2002 11:29:10 -0500
From: "napny.jane" <jane@napny.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Secretary Donald Evans,
I live in Briarcliff Manor within the proposed nonsurvival zone of the Millennium pipeline. As I am sure you are aware of, this current proposed route is of major concern to our schools as well as hundreds of home neighboring(some within 20 feet) of the Taconic Parkway. Although the government is focusing on the wildlife habitats that would be compromised, I beg you please to consider the endangerment of placing such a high pressure gas pipeline on top of our schools and homes. There are 9 alternate pipeline alternatives, all of which I feel are better placed. Of course these routes may not be as profitable for Columbia Gas, but when you review them please factor in the thousands of peoples lives in Westchester that will be affected if the current route is approved. The fact that New York City is appealing this current disastrous proposed route because of its proximity to the water supply should make this changing this route a no brainer.... all along we have been told by the politicians that the main reason we must have this pipeline is because NYC wants and needs it..... well obviously, thats not the case in the current route or climate.
I attended the Dept. of Commerce hearing and am hoping that the vocal majority of the people who are against this current route were heard loud and clear. PLEASE STOP THE PIPELINE FROM CROSSING THE HUDSON AT HAVERSTRAW BAY ,ENDANGERING THE NYC WATER SUPPLY,DESTROYING TEATOWN RESERVATION AND ENDANGERING THE CHILDREN AND NEIGHBORHOODS OF BRIARCLIFF MANOR. THERE ARE OTHER ALTERNATIVES AND WE ARE COUNTING ON OUR GOVERNMENT TO KEEP US SAFE.
Sincerely,
Jane and Richard Carter
25 Carlton Ave
Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510
jane@napny.com

Subject: [Fwd: Millenium Pipeline]
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 02 Dec 2002 11:37:44 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Millennium Pipeline
Date: Mon, 2 Dec 2002 11:22:12 EST
From: <Palisadesart@aol.com>
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov

The idea of moving the Millenium Pipeline to run through Tallman Mountain and Piermont Marsh or Hook Mountain will not only endanger wildlife, but also destroy some of the most beautiful river lands left on the banks of the lower Hudson.

The proposed route through Haverstraw, where existing power plants already line the banks of the Hudson makes much more sense, as it will not destroy any park lands or marshes. Why should Rockland who will be getting very little benefit from the pipeline becase sacrificed for the sake of Westchester's self interest?

As a long time resident of Rockland I am asking you not to allow this destructive plan to be accepted as will not only endangered the park and wildlife of the area, but also cause the Palisades Parkway to be torn up again for an extended period of time and cause additional ecomonic hardship to Rockland County.

Sincerely yours,

Susan Shapiro

Subject: **Stop The Pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 02 Dec 2002 14:43:36 -0500
From: Gerry Hawkins <gh@dakotagrp.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

12/2/02

To the NOAA

As a resident of Croton-on-Hudson concerned with my family's safety and health, I feel that the Millennium pipeline should not be built.

The pipeline will result in severe and irreversible degradation of the wetlands and other natural resources of the Croton Arboretum.
Tree removal will disrupt runoff and stream flow, increase erosion, change downstream hydrologic conditions, and subject the wetlands to increased sunlight and wind. Such damage could permanently impair nearly a quarter of the Arboretum's land, harm the sensitive wetland, vegetation, and wildlife in the area, and destroy the scenic and recreational value of the Arboretum.

The Pipeline greatly exacerbates the terrorism and evacuation concerns converging around Indian Point. The Pipeline would run adjacent to and cross several roads and two major arteries - the Taconic State Parkway and Route 9 - comprising part of the Indian Point evacuation-road system. An accident or attack during the Pipeline's construction, or intentional sabotage thereafter, could cripple these vital components of the REPP and thereby isolate thousands of coastal-zone residents from their only escape during a nuclear emergency.

Millennium has undertaken no site-specific studies of the Croton Wellfield area. After construction, the continued presence of the pipeline in the Wellfield would present an ongoing risk to the Village's water quality. A pipeline leak would introduce contaminants into the ground water. Natural gas can dissolve in and be transported by ground water.

Gerard Hawkins
90 Hastings Ave.
Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520

Subject: **Comments**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 2 Dec 2002 18:12:18 EST
From: <Helsos@aol.com>
To: Millennium.comments@noaa.gov

I do not wish the Millenium pipeline to go through Rockland county, paralleling the Palisades Insterstate Parkway. travel that route several times every day and a major pipeline there is just too dangerous!!

Subject: **[Fwd: Millennium Pipeline in Rockland County]**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 02 Dec 2002 18:25:04 -0500
From: "Karl Gleaves" <Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov>
Organization: GCOS
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Millennium Pipeline in Rockland County
Date: Mon, 02 Dec 2002 18:03:36 -0500
From: Bill Hodgson and Arthur Auer <billart@att.net>
To: Karl.Gleaves@noaa.gov
CC: John Gromada <gromada@alumni.duke.edu>

Karl Gleaves.
Office of the Assistant Counsel for Ocean Services.
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
Dear Mr. Gleaves:
I discovered only yesterday that the deadline for public comment on proposals for routing the Millennium Pipeline through Rockland County is today. I am incredulous at this discovery since there has to my knowledge been no widely disseminated information or public outreach concerning any proposals. As a Land use Board member in one Rockland village I am assiduous in keeping up with local news stories and so I am outraged that information has not been made readily available to citizens of the county. A minimum need is that the comment period must be extended and public awareness vastly increased.
Obviously with so little information I am not in a position to critique the proposals. Reported plans to route the pipeline along the Palisades Parkway and/or through Tallman Mountain State Park and Piermont Marsh would be unacceptable.
I suspect that something is being hidden or a proposal bulldozed through. My fellow citizens of the county and I demand more information.
William G. Hodgson.
13 Central Avenue
Nyack, NY 10960
Telephone: 945-353-1307
e-mail: billart@att.net

Subject: **Letter Regarding Millenium Pipeline**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 2 Dec 2002 18:02:50 -0600
From: <Deborah.Chomiw@rrd.com>
To: Millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Dear NOAA

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246 WATCH HILL RD
CORTLANDT MANOR, NY 10567

Subject: **Stop the Pipeline!!**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 2 Dec 2002 23:37:45 EST
From: <PStopera@aol.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

To the Department of Commerce;

I am a resident of Briarcliff Manor, N. Y. and I have a 5 year old son in Kindergarten at the Todd Elementary School just 75 feet away from the proposed Millenium Pipeline route. Each day, my son and his classmates play in a playground just feet from that proposed location. I just don't understand how anyone could agree to compromise the safety of my child and every child in Briarcliff and be comfortable with it. I think about all of our kindergartners innocently enjoying their playground while right next to them such a dangerous situation.

After the events of September 11, we all learned how vulnerable we are today and how we need to protect all of our citizens, especially our children. How can you put our kids in further jeopardy by running this pipeline so close to where they spend a good part of every day? We're already so close to Indian Point which may be a terrorist target and this is putting us in even more danger. Would you want the Pipeline so close to where your children go to school?

Please consider an alternate route to the Pipeline for the sake of my child's life, and the lives of all the children in our area.

Thank you.

Perri Stopera

Subject: **Millennium Pileline Comments**
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 2 Dec 2002 11:28:12 -0500
From: John Hare <JohnEHare@compuserve.com>
To: Honorable Donald Evans <Millennium.comments@NOAA.gov>
CC: mike ferguson <mferguson@indeck-energy.com>

The Honorable Donald Evans
Secretary, US Department of Commerence
14th and Constitution NW
Washington, DC 20230

Sir:

I am writing to encourage your support in upholding the FERC's finding that the Millennium Pipeline Project is in the Public Interest

I manage power plants in rural upstate New York. The Indeck-Olean facility is located in Cattaraugus County, Olean, New York; one of the Counties that the proposed line is scheduled to be constructed through. The construction of this line is important to the future viability of Indeck's Olean Plant , and to the Southern Tier Region of Western, NY generally. Indeck-Olean is a state-of-the-art design with very low NOx and CO emissions.

FERC has been studying the proposed project for over four years; including the sensitive Hudson River crossing. I believe that it has been demonstrated that the project can be built in an environmentally responsible way, and will help in addressing New York's critical energy needs. Natural Gas is the life blood of many of the power projects already built (such as Indeck-Olean), and those proposed to be built to help alleviate New York State's current electric shortage.

This project will improve our national energy security, create thousands of jobs and economic development opportunities; and will help New York meet Clean Air Act requirements. Those economic development opportunities are valuable to New York State in general, but are particularly important to Upstate areas such as Cattaraugus County, New York which have languished for many years.

Please review the Millennium Pipeline project on its merits. It certainly appears that the legitimate concerns of all interested parties have been heard, and every attempt has been made to try to mitigate those concerns. The project offers benefits that will help many, and should not be delayed any further.

Sincerely,

John E. Hare

John E Hare
Plant Manager Indeck-Olean