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Thousands Tell Congress to Hold Hearings into FERC Abuses

Washington, D.C. – 181 groups signed on to a letter urging the incoming Congress to hold hearings into the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (FERC) abuses. The organizations signed on to the letter, submitted by the VOICES coalition, represent communities who have been and are being harmed by FERC’s misuse of its authority. The VOICES coalition has long expressed concern about FERC’s abuses of its power, detailed in a dossier of evidence demonstrating the abuses (<http://bit.ly/DossierofFERCAbuse>).

The letter, which notes that FERC has a near 100% approval rating for pipeline projects, ask that Congress:

- ⇒ Hold congressional hearings that include members of the harmed communities as well as scientists, journalists, and other knowledgeable non-energy-industry-connected experts, to learn the many ways FERC is misusing its authority granted by the Natural Gas Act, and how that abuse of power is harming communities and our environment;
- ⇒ Take swift affirmative action to amend the Natural Gas Act so as to protect communities including eliminating the threats and harms associated with natural gas infrastructure;
- ⇒ Oppose the proposed Water Quality Certification Improvement Act of 2018, S. 3303/H.R. 6889, which seeks to diminish the rights of states to have a role in pipeline reviews, approvals, and/or permitting; and seek, support and advance only legislation that strengthens the rights of states and people to decide whether pipeline infrastructure should be permitted to advance through their states, communities, and/or private properties; and
- ⇒ Ensure that any new infrastructure legislation pursued by Congress or other federal officials does not cause increased proliferation of fossil fuel pipelines and infrastructure, which would increase and exacerbate climate change and the environmental and community harms already experienced.

“With this letter we are telling Congress to stop with the climate change rhetoric, it’s time to act. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is cavalierly approving gas pipelines at a dramatic rate. In the past 10 years alone FERC has approved on the order of 240 pipelines. Each pipeline advances thousands of gas wells, in the case of the PennEast pipeline our analysis shows approval would result in at least 3,000 fracked gas drilling projects, each, along with the pipeline, bringing us closer to climate catastrophe. As our letter and dossier makes clear, FERC is misusing its authority to disenfranchise the public, undermine the rights of states, ignore conflicts of interest that compromise the approval process, and ignore clear legal mandates, all in an obvious effort to advance pipelines through to construction with as few impediments as possible. The new Congress says it wants to exercise oversight in order to prevent government abuses. They can prove it by including FERC amongst the government bad-actors in need of their review,” said **Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper, leader of the Delaware Riverkeeper Network, and a leading member of the VOICES coalition**, a national coalition opposing the advancement of FERC approved infrastructure and calling for Congressional hearings and FERC reform.

“It is time for Congress to retire FERC's rubber stamp on approvals of natural gas pipelines and other infrastructure projects. Longstanding abuses of power by the Commission that imperil communities and impinge upon their fundamental rights to property ownership and due process have been well-documented. That climate change exacerbated by natural gas production is playing out in real time now only makes the need for action more urgent," said **Karen Feridun, Founder, Berks Gas Truth**.

“Scientists say we have twelve years left to drastically reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Building lots of new gas infrastructure is obviously the opposite of this—but FERC insists on greenlighting every proposal, blocking legal challenges, and allowing construction to begin before state agencies have issued permits. Given the local harms from these projects, along with the climate catastrophe looming over us, Congress must exercise its authority and rein in this compromised and destructive agency,” said **Mary Wildfire, volunteer, Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition**.

“The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) mission is to ‘assist consumers in obtaining economically efficient, safe, reliable, and secure energy services at a reasonable cost through appropriate regulatory and market means, and collaborative efforts.’ The key word here is “safe” energy services. Oil and gas development, the petrochemical byproducts like plastics, and the furtherance of coal and nuclear are not safe. A stable climate system, a habitable earth, an end to global plastics contamination, and clean air, water and soil all depend in part on proper regulation and guidance from FERC,” said **Eric Engle, Chairman, Mid-Ohio Valley Climate Action**.

"There are many corrupted federal agencies, as we can all clearly see," said **Mary Finneran, a co-founder of FrackbustersNY**, which introduced and is seeking legislative support for New York State Public Law No. 1 to criminalize fracking and related infrastructures and industries. "FERC is one of the most compromised."

"Many people think our state has a 'ban' on fracking," said **Maura Stephens, a co-founder of the Coalition to Protect New York**, "but in fact communities statewide are fighting various FERC-permitted pipelines moving methane from fracked areas of Pennsylvania. FERC deserves its nickname: 'Federal Energy Rubberstamp Corporation.' Let's replace that corrupted agency with a system that actually protects legitimate human communities instead of fictional-'person' corporations."

"I support the investigation of the FERC primarily for their part in taking private property for underground natural gas storage with minimal or no compensation to private landowners. Private landowners are the rightful owners of the extremely valuable 400+ underground caverns across the country. FERC has colluded with gas and pipeline companies to take private property for underground natural gas storage for corporate gain without fairly compensating private landowners. This represents an over \$40 billion rip-off across 31 states in the USA," said **Claude P. Bowie, Jr., LinkedIn group owner: Fair Compensation for Underground Natural Gas Storage**.

"The time to dismantle FERC is NOW. FERC is a self serving arm of the fossil fuel industry that has been given unconstitutional powers to not only approve unneeded, dangerous, destructive fossil fuel infrastructure but to also seize private land and destroy the livelihoods, homes, farms, lives and health of citizens and hand them over to a for profit industry for the sole purpose of financial gain of their cronies. FERC rubber stamps applications for totally unneeded fossil fuel infrastructure, ignoring environmental, social, cultural, human and financial impacts on the citizens, communities and water resources in the paths of those projects. It is an unconstitutional use of eminent domain," said **TC Buchanan, organic farm/land owner** along the proposed PennEast pipeline route in New Jersey. "FERC's goal is to keep this country and this world addicted to an energy source that is destroying our planet, our health and our wellbeing at the time when the technology for truly clean, safe, sustainable, renewable, nonpolluting energy is available. It is time to end FERC's reign of terror on our natural world, and on citizens and our constitutional rights."

"FERC allows the seizing of land by eminent domain, doing irreparable damage to mature forests, farms and communities before all required permitting and environmental regulations are met. We must have Congressional hearings to fully investigate FERC and instill stringent new standards on fossil fuel infrastructure, respecting state and local law, allowing for communities to refuse the intrusion of unwanted infrastructure. Rigorous new requirements must stop the expansion of fossil fuel use and the undermining of the authority of agencies that seek to protect the environment, wildlife and a livable planet. We demand ethical energy practices now," said **Stephanie A. Scherr, Director, ECHO Action NY**.

"FERC is an agency that has blatantly cultivated relationships with the very industry representatives it was been appointed to monitor. Since when is that tolerated? Anywhere else this is considered unethical....but not here. Why is that? And why hasn't it been stopped? The answers to these questions deserve to be heard by the public FERC is supposed to, but has failed, to serve," said **Sharon Furlong, spokesperson, Bucks Environmental Action and Bucks County Sierra Club**.

“FERC’s pipeline review process is broken – privileging the profits of corporate polluters over people and the planet,” said **Green America executive co-director Todd Larsen**. “Congress members need to represent their constituents, hold hearings into FERC’s abuses, and then pass legislation requiring that FERC truly assesses all the harms caused by pipeline, including climate emissions, gives communities a real voice in the review process, and puts an end to the practice of allowing pipelines to proceed even when they are on appeal.”

“FERC is overriding public rights in order to increase for-profit, global dispersion of a radioactive, greenhouse-gas-emitting product. In so doing they are also riding roughshod over some of the last bio-diverse wild lands in an area where such are extremely limited: the Eastern U.S.,” said **Barbara Daniels, Chair, Environmental Justice Committee, WV Mountain Party**.

“FERC has recklessly endangered the public in its rush to approve gas pipelines, even in the most extreme cases. As public records revealed, FERC approved the construction of a massive, high-pressure pipeline next to the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant, just 25 miles north of New York City, on the basis of a hand-drawn sketch. An explosion or attack on the Spectra AIM pipeline could cause a nuclear disaster in the most densely populated area of the country, which could result in thousands of injuries and deaths and cause up to trillion dollars in damages. Only a captive regulator would overlook such risks for the sake of building a pipeline,” said **Tim Judson, Executive Director, Nuclear Information and Resource Service**.

"FERC should never have approved the massive 42" diameter Spectra/Enbridge Algonquin (AIM) pipeline at the aging Indian Point nuclear power plant just 30 miles north of New York City. Even after the plant closes, 40 years of radioactive spent fuel is stored on-site. Experts have warned that a pipeline explosion at the site could result in catastrophic radioactive releases that would endanger more than 20 million people. FERC has refused to respond to New York State after the release of a study last year that questioned the methodology used to approve the pipeline. We call for the immediate closure of Algonquin pipelines at Indian Point because of the lack of objective proof that the pipelines are operating safely," **Susan Van Dolsen, co-founder of Stop the Algonquin Pipeline Expansion**, said.

“Recent polls show the highest percentage ever of US Americans seriously concerned about the growing climate crisis. Congress and federal agencies should reflect this concern. Leadership in the House should act on the fact that FERC for many years has been quite literally a rubber-stamp agency for the gas industry. Bringing public attention to FERC’s abusive practices via hearings in the House should be a top priority for House leadership,” said **Ted Glick, Beyond Extreme Energy**.

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House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

Members of Congress

RE: Congressional Hearings to Investigate Abuses of Power and Law by
the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Must be a 2019 Top Priority

Dear Chair Frank Pallone, Chair Raul Grijalva, Chair Elijah Cummings, Chair Peter DeFazio,
and other members of Congress:

FERC has a near 100% approval rate for proposed pipeline projects. This shocking statistic, coupled with the many documented examples of how FERC misuses its authority, benefiting pipeline companies while disempowering and harming human and natural communities, and delegitimizing states and other agencies, warrants quick and thorough investigation, oversight, and possibly censure and reform by Congress.

As representatives of communities who are being harmed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) misuse of authority, we urge you to:

- Hold congressional hearings that include members of the harmed communities as well as scientists, journalists, and other knowledgeable non-energy-industry-connected experts, to learn the many ways FERC is misusing its authority granted by the Natural Gas Act, and how that abuse of power is harming communities and our environment;
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- Ensure that any new infrastructure legislation pursued by Congress or other federal officials does not cause increased proliferation of fossil fuel pipelines and infrastructure, which would increase and exacerbate climate change and the environmental and community harms already experienced.

FERC is misusing its authority in myriad ways. Among its most egregious conduct are the following:

- Allowing premature use of the legal construct of eminent domain to seize property rights, even before a pipeline project has met all legal obligations, thereby allowing the taking of private property for a pipeline that may never be constructed (which has in fact happened – once taken, the property rights do not return even if approvals for a pipeline are subsequently denied);
- Stripping people of their legal and due process rights to challenge FERC approval of natural gas pipelines and infrastructure before the power of eminent domain is used to seize their property rights, and construction is allowed to proceed, thereby inflicting irreparable harm on communities and the environment;
- Undermining the legal authority of states to determine whether natural gas pipelines and infrastructure would violate state water quality standards and should be approved, denied or modified prior to construction;
- Undermining the authority of other federal agencies such as the Army Corps of Engineers and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service to determine if the project would comply with federal law under their jurisdiction and therefore should be approved, denied or modified before FERC approval is granted and construction started;
- Advancing pipeline projects based on demonstrably false and misleading facts, claims and “data”; i.e., FERC approval is granted despite demonstrated proof (such as legitimate scientific data, photographs, agency documentation, and factual proof) that information provided by the pipeline company, key to its proposal, is false, misleading and/or intentionally not provided;
- Advancing pipeline projects without genuine demonstration of need, instead allowing companies to claim “need” simply by producing contracts with affiliates of the pipeline company itself and/or asserting the project is needed in order to enhance a company’s private profits or competitive edge;
- Allowing third party contractors with demonstrated conflicts of interest and an obvious vested interest in the outcome to lead review of the proposed project. This includes contractors who are working for the company at issue on other or related projects, and/or those working for the pipeline companies on directly related projects that will be affected by the actions and recommendations of the contractor; and

→ Allowing FERC employees and Commissioners with demonstrated conflicts of interest, including financial, to work on project review and decision making for proposed pipeline projects.

This is but a shortlist of malfeasance by this agency.

Evidence and additional demonstrations of FERC's abuses of its authority can be found in the Dossier of FERC's Abuses of Power and Law, found at: <http://bit.ly/DossierofFERCAbuse>. In addition, you can review video testimony from the 2016 People's Hearing at <http://bit.ly/PeoplesHearingReFERC>, at which impacted community members testify to the impact FERC's abuses have had on their property rights, legal rights, health, safety, property values, small businesses, jobs and communities.

We, communities across the nation who are losing our property rights and suffering the environmental, economic, health, safety and quality of life harms being inflicted by FERC's abuses of its authority urge you to hold Congressional hearings to investigate and take necessary steps to halt this harm.

Respectfully requested,

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