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The Honorable Joseph T. Kelliher, Chairman  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, D.C. 20426

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Dear Chairman Kelliher:

Clackamas County, Oregon presently has two natural gas line proposals (Palomar and Oregon LNG – Dockets PF-07-13 and PF07-10) under review by FERC. We have heard concerns from many Clackamas County residents and organizations that it has been very difficult and confusing to obtain information from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and through the Palomar / Oregon LNG public outreach program. County residents have indicated that since there are multiple companies proposing alternative routes, it is difficult to understand when and to whom they need to submit their comments.

We are requesting that FERC conduct an additional meeting in Clackamas County with the goal of providing information about the projects in a coordinated fashion. Clackamas County is willing to work with FERC to host a meeting for its residents. The meeting could be a venue to provide people with information about the FERC process, how the various agencies will be addressing their concerns and provide information about both of the proposed pipeline projects.

In late January, Clackamas County Chair Lynn Peterson had the opportunity to meet with FERC Commissioner Wellinghoff during his visit to Oregon. She communicated the importance of a transparent, coordinated review of alternatives through a process that is accessible to people that will be impacted by the project. Clackamas County is a place rich with natural and historic resources. It is important for us to know that our citizens have had an adequate opportunity to learn about and engage in the process of siting a new natural gas pipeline. We are interested in facilitating this by working with FERC to hold one or more additional meetings in Clackamas County.

Thank you for your attention to this issue and we look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

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- Jason Vaillancourt, Office of Senator Gordon Smith
- Michael Carrier, Natural Resource Policy Advisor, Office of the Governor
- Andrea Salinas, Office of Congresswoman Darlene Hooley
- John Atkins, Jr., City Manager, Molalla
- Rick Gruen, District Manager, Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District
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