

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, OREGON**

**IN THE MATTER OF OPPOSING THE LNG ]  
(LIQUID NATURAL GAS) PIPELINE AND ] RESOLUTION  
PROTECTING THE PRIVATE PROPERTY ]  
RIGHTS OF DOUGLAS COUNTY RESIDENTS]**

WHEREAS, the proposed LNG (Liquid Natural Gas) pipeline bisects Douglas County and crosses both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of Douglas County residents directly impacted by the proposed pipeline have called for the Douglas County Board of Commissioners to intervene on their behalf, and

WHEREAS, the benefits derived from this pipeline both in terms of direct economic benefit and the supply of energy appear to be delivered outside the reaches of Douglas County, and

WHEREAS, substantial concerns have been raised by the affected property owners demonstrating a direct irrevocable loss of their property rights, and

WHEREAS, property owners in the direct path of the pipeline lose permanent economic benefit from the affected pipeline corridor on their lands, and

WHEREAS, it has always been this Board of Commissioners policy to defend and uphold the private property rights of its citizens, and

WHEREAS, the act of Congress to give supersiting authority put at risk the very right of private individuals to be free from government interference in their right to keep and enjoy their private property,

NOW, THEREFORE, we The Douglas County Board of Commissioners, recommend the pipeline not be constructed unless and until the contractor negotiates with property owners and all concerns have been addressed to their satisfaction.

FURTHER, we the Douglas County Board of Commissioners, recognize and support the original concept of the framers of the constitution wherein the power of the eminent domain shall be used only as a last resort to acquire private property for a public project and further, that any such public project can be demonstrated to be necessary to accomplish the general welfare of the citizens of that jurisdiction.

Dated this 25th day of July, 2007

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, OREGON  
Doug Robertson, Chair  
Marilyn Kittleman  
Joe Laurance

