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Mrs. Cheryl LaFleur  
Chairman  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, Northeast  
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Chairman LaFleur,

I am writing to you to discuss the Atlantic Sunrise Project expansion of the Transco pipeline which currently transports natural gas from production areas to utility companies and power plants located throughout the northeastern and southeastern U.S.

As you know, Williams Gas and Energy is in the preliminary stages of developing a pipeline proposal known as the Atlantic Sunrise Project. This project will expand Williams' already functioning Transco pipeline by adding an extension that will route through Pennsylvania's 17<sup>th</sup> Congressional district via western Schuylkill County.

Recently, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) held public hearings concerning the pipeline expansion in both Dauphin and Lebanon Counties. I am requesting that a public hearing be held in Schuylkill County that will allow my constituents the opportunity to learn more about the proposed pipeline. Additionally, this hearing will better allow both FERC and Williams Gas and Energy to understand and address the concerns of western Schuylkill County landowners that would be negatively affected by this proposed pipeline.

Western Schuylkill County is home to many multi-generational farming families that rely on their land and natural resources every day to operate. I believe it is in the best interest of both FERC and Williams Energy and Gas to work with these local communities, listen to their concerns, address their concerns, and not keep them in the dark.

I am confident that FERC will properly address this issue and ensure that the questions and concerns of my constituents in Schuylkill County are adequately handled. I look forward to your timely response on this matter.

Sincerely,



Matt Cartwright  
Member of Congress