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Good afternoon,

I am writing, at very short notice, to oppose Pieridae Energy's request to export gas via the M&N pipeline. There is absolutely no public good to be gained by allowing export of natural gas. Doing so will only result in higher prices for the American public, limiting the supplies available to us and our economy, as natural gas sells for 3-4 times higher overseas, while leaving the American taxpayer to subsidize and clean up after the gas companies who will profit immensely (and privately) from such export.

Giving such permission also does not serve in the public interest in terms of the momentum it will provide to the NED proposal. While Kinder Morgan continues to evade the question as to whether it intends this pipeline for export, they certainly find themselves in the enviable position of being able to build a pipeline of excess capacity (because they obviously intend to export!) by forcing ratepayers to pay for it (thus assuming the risk) while they take peoples' land, mar the landscape (including right next to my family's homestead in West Deerfield, MA), and pocket all the profits from the increased prices these same ratepayers will pay due to export.

Not to mention how increasing the demand for natural gas only increases the amount of methane in the atmosphere, which is not good for anyone and rather stupid in terms of investing in our future economy (oil & gas is yesterday, renewables are tomorrow!).

There is only private interest - not public interest - in allowing Pieridae, or any gas company, to export natural gas. Even though I have little faith in FERC (which was empowered by Dick Cheney to serve his buddies in the oil and gas industry, and has acted accordingly), please make an effort at doing your jobs by seeing what a bad deal this is for the American people.

Finally, there was very short notice on this comment period. Please consider extending.

Sincerely,
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