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**Petitions to Stop LNG Rail Transport to be submitted to Federal Government  
#StopFrackedGasBombTrains**

**WHAT:** Virtual Press Conference with organizations that have collected petition signatures opposing the rail transport of liquefied natural gas (LNG). The petitions are being submitted to the President Biden and to the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Administration (PHMSA) ahead of the federal agency's decision regarding rulemaking and permits.

**WHEN:** 10:00 am, Wednesday, May 18

**WHERE:** Link to zoom press conference: <https://bit.ly/3sA2usX>

**WHY:** People are calling for the Biden Administration to take decisive action to protect communities from the intolerable threats posed by the transport of fracked gas liquid methane, also known as LNG, on the nation's railways. Pending decisions on LNG by Rail by PHMSA are expected within the next few weeks. Organizations are amplifying the public's opposition to "bomb trains" and calling for the longstanding ban on LNG rail transport to be reinstated.

Petition demands:

1. We call upon PHMSA to adopt proposed rule RIN 2137–AF55 in order to suspend the previous federal administration's federal rule that authorized LNG to be transported on the nation's railways.
2. Deny a renewal request by Energy Transport Solutions of Special Permit DOT-SP 20534, authorized in 2019, for the transport of LNG from a planned LNG liquefaction plant in Wyalusing Township, PA to the Gibbstown Logistics Center in Gibbstown, NJ. The trains would cut through hundreds of communities, including densely populated areas such as Wilkes Barre, Reading, Allentown, and Philadelphia in Pennsylvania and Camden and other southern municipalities in New Jersey. The permit was never used and the renewal request was received at the last minute.
3. We call upon PHMSA and the Biden administration to permanently ban the transport of LNG on the nation's railways, as was the status for decades, prior to the previous administration's rulemaking to permit it and to deny approval for Special Permits before the ban is adopted.

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