Dear Honorable Members of Congress and the Senate,

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has abused its power, our climate, and our communities for too long. As a constituent who is very concerned about protecting communities nationwide, I am urging you to take action to end the rubber stamping of natural gas pipelines nationwide. Communities nationwide are being decimated by natural gas pipelines, and eminent domain is being abused to seize lands without giving landowners any voice or rights.

We call on you to:

⇒ Vote against the Dirty Energy bill, S1460, and any other legislation that would increase FERC’s authority and perversely speed up the approval process for fracked gas infrastructure. Communities and property owners nationwide need to have a say over all infrastructure projects.
⇒ Put in place a moratorium on new fracked gas pipelines and infrastructure until there are hearings into FERC’s abuses in permitting pipelines and reforms put in place that give communities a real voice in FERC’s permitting process.
⇒ Support new legislation (such as H.R.2242, Rep. Gabbard’s ‘OFF ACT’, or the Senate ‘100 by 50’ act) and a federal permitting process that puts us on a path to 100% clean energy and increases renewable solar and wind installations that create high paying jobs, a stable climate, and livable communities.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue and I would appreciate a response.

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