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I have asked the REX Pipeline folks twice about doing a filing with the Department of Homeland Security concerning the threat of terrorism and was told they didn't see any need for doing such a filing. One person went on to say that the pumping station would be fortified. Since "911" the concept of security over resources has changed dramatically. As that the people of the United States are granting the REX Corporation an operating permit through the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the United States has to look at the energy resources within the United States as a strategic material that may be need to fight the "War on Terrorism", that the United States and it's people are fighting around the globe.

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Let me give FERC and REX a simple scenario that could be used by terrorism. There are 1,600 miles of pipeline planned in this venture. 20 terrorist stake out 9 to 10 different locations that are difficult to get heavy equipment into. An IED or Improvised Explosive Device is design from some Internet website for terrorist or information that can be found at any major public library. As we have seen from the Oklahoma City bombing, it really doesn't take much knowledge to make a bomb. So these 9 to 10 sites along the pipeline are set up with these IEDs in a coordinated effort these are set to explode at a certain time frame. Please remember the "foreign terrorists" are willing to die for their cause, so detonation if really simple matters of having a wrist watch on all concerned.

These IEDs are detonated, 2 or 3 do no real damage if there is such a thing, 3 or 4 blows holes in the pipeline that causes local fires, and the rest explode taking out large section of the pipeline. The REX control center shuts down the pipeline via their remote switches.

How long is the pipeline going to be shut down? What will the consumers on the east coast do to stay warm with out paying higher prices? Is there enough equipment available on a minute's notice to get these repairs done? Are there enough sections of pipe and other materials that can be appropriated to enact these repairs in a timely fashion? Of course, who is going to pay for these repairs?

Where did I learn about such planning and tactics, from the greatest intelligence source of the planet: CNN, of course! Thinking that terrorist will strike at one point, such as a pumping station is a concept that comes from the Cold War and World War II mentality. This is the same mentality that put the New York City Emergency Management Center in the World Trade Center before 911, it isn't any where in New York City now.

What are the chances of such a thing happening to the REX pipeline, I have no idea, but no one would have thought that several jet liners could have been used as cruise missiles and destroyed the security of America one September morn.

Respectfully,

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