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Ms. Bose and Ms. Lykens:

Just wondering. If the wonderful, "necessary" REX pipeline were going to be put into your backyard, less than 100 feet from your home in VA or wherever you live, would you think that Mr. Kinder, Mr. Morgan, Ms. Weekley and their stakeholders (like WGA) were due the "convenience and necessity" of having the two of you rubber stamp their project, for their profit, at your loss?

I am truly appalled at what is going on in this country. I am more terrified by the people running government than I am by any terrorists the Bush camp can dream up.

REX does not care about providing gas to the mid-west. REX means profits for producers and shippers. At this time REX does not show any evidence that laying pipe across the country benefits anyone west of Wyoming. The text below is copied directly from a publication put out by the <u>Wyoming Natural Gas Pipeline Authority.</u>

2. "Why does Rockies Express Natural Gas Pipeline need to be built?

Wyoming: Wyoming ranks number one in the nation in terms of growth in natural gas production and reserves and presently is third in overall total production. Most of Wyoming's production is exported and only 5% of its production is consumed within the state. Liquefied natural gas facilities are under construction in Baja California which will displace Wyoming gas supplies flowing to the west."

12. "What has the WPS done since it was reactivated in 2002?

Wyoming has seen an increase in revenue from \$500 million to \$1.9 billion primarily from taxes on natural gas production. The WPA was instrumental in building momentum behind the Rockies Express project via its Anchor Shipper capacity commitment. We worked extensively with Kinder in promoting Wyoming gas to future customers in the Midwest and Northeast portions of the country. Third party analysis performed on behalf of the WPA indicates that of the proposed projects moving natural gas east out of the State, the Rockies Express provided the best net back. The WPA has intervened and facilitated interaction between public agencies and producers to assist in continued resource development to maintain the revenue stream to the State of Wyoming."

Boo hoo. I guess FERC needs to help Wyoming find a new market for their gas. I'll bet Uncle Dick Cheney had a lot to say about that. I'll bet Mr. Kelliher knows what he is supposed to do for "paybacks." before he is moved out the door in 2009. And those lobbyists from Wyoming have probably been as busy as REX lobbyists knocking on the politician's doors in Washington.

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What is FERC doing to try to wean Americans from their fossil fuel habit? Nothing. If anything, FERC encourages more consumption instead of conservation of the limited gas and oil reserves left in this country. I am sure the producers are saying, "Let's get it all (gas and oil) out of the ground and make as much money today as we get away with right now. We could all be dead in the future (from our own emissions). What if a good alternative energy source is found in a few years? We'll be out of luck. No more astronomical profit. No more revenue stream for Wyoming. Destroy the land now, think about consequences later."

FERC is helping destroy this beautiful country. FERC seems to find nothing objectionable about trenching through state parks, wildlife preserves, wild and scenic rivers, wetlands or wellheads. Farmland and forest are dispensable. FERC looks the other way when endangered species are present and FERC thinks history should be forgotten. The only thing that seems to get FERC's attention is a lawsuit. Only now, after a legal threat, are requests for more information fired out from FERC to REX.

And how many landowners threatened by REX can afford to sue FERC and REX? Not many. The state parks and federal parks are defenseless. The federal government can override the states and oversees federal lands. The federal government and federal agencies will not ask themselves for an account of questionable activities in treasured national and state treasures.

Is all of FERC afraid to speak up and stand up for doing the right thing? Will George and Dick put you in jail if at least some of REX's hideous route proposal is rejectedt?

Well, I say "NO" to REX in Ohio state parks and wildlife preserves. I hope you will too. Keep up the good work ladies.

Catherine Rowe

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