

**BORDENTOWN SEWERAGE AUTHORITY**

**RESOLUTION 2017-036A**

**OPPOSING THE TRANSCONTINENTAL GAS PIPELINE COMPANY  
(TRANSCO) COMPRESSOR STATION PROJECT.**

**WHEREAS**, the Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Company (Transco), a subsidiary of William Partners Company, is implementing an expansion project throughout New Jersey, including providing additional service to the New Jersey Natural Gas company to construct the Southern Reliability Link (SRL) Pipeline Project, and

**WHEREAS**, the project includes installation of a new 35,000 horsepower, electric motor-driven compressor station and associated electrical substation on the Transco Trenton Woodbury Lateral in Burlington County, N.J that feeds natural gas into the SRL Pipeline Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of the Bordentown Sewerage Authority (“Authority”) is concerned that the Transco Compressor Station will be used to transmit natural gas into the SRL Pipeline Project, which passes within 100 feet of over 140 homes along its route; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of the Bordentown Sewerage Authority is concerned about the potential risks the Transco Compressor Station poses to the health and safety of the people in nearby homes and business; and

**WHEREAS**, it is understood that the Transco Compressor Station will be staffed by one person on weekdays only from 9am to 5pm, and will be remotely monitored by Williams/Transco from Texas the remainder of the week and entire weekend; and

**WHEREAS**, over the past three years, Williams/Transco Compressor Stations have experienced at least four explosions and fires, most recently in Branchburg, New Jersey, in which 13 construction workers were injured and two were hospitalized; and

**WHEREAS**, local firefighters are concerned they will have no ability to extinguish a gas compressor or pipeline fire, only to secure an area, while waiting for Williams/Transco to send workers to shut off the gas.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of the Bordentown Sewerage Authority, in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, the following recitals are incorporated as of March 20, 2017:

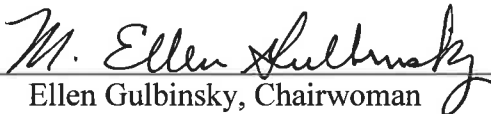
1. The Authority opposes the Transco Compressor Station
2. The Authority calls for a moratorium on any and all planning, proposal, surveying, or construction on the Transco Compressor Station
3. Because these projects will traverse and negatively impact numerous significant natural areas and the resources of the municipality and the Pinelands region, the Authority requests a full environmental review, be conducted to assess the myriad environmental consequences of the project.
4. The Authority seeks the cooperation of other similarly located and affected municipalities, asking that all nearby affected municipalities adopt a similar resolution.
5. The Authority adopts, and calls upon similarly situated municipalities to adopt a resolution authorizing each entity to join together to enter their appearance in any proceeding before the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Federal Energy Regulatory , and any other regulatory authority, so that by their strength of numbers they may successfully oppose this project projects and have the ability to cause the termination of the project so as to prevent environmental degradation and to protect the public health and safety.

6. The Board of the Bordentown Sewerage Authority, strongly urges the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to reject the recently filed Petitions by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
7. The Board directs the board secretary to forward copies of this resolution to the following:
  1. NJ Governor Chris Christie
  2. State Senator Dawn MarieAddiego
  3. Assemblyman Joseph Howarth
  4. Assemblywoman Maria Rodriguez-Gregg
  5. State Senator Diane Allen
  6. State Assemblyman Herb Conaway Jr.
  7. State Assemblyman Troy Singleton
  8. Pinelands Commission Executive Director Nancy Wittenberg and Commissioners
  9. The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
  10. The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
  11. Food & Water Watch, 100 Bayard Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New Brunswick, NJ 08901
  12. The Pinelands Preservation Alliance, 17 Pemberton Road, Southampton, NJ 08088
  13. All Burlington County Municipal Committees
  14. Colonel Frederick Thaden, Commander, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst
  15. Ocean, Burlington, and Monmouth County Freeholders
  16. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
  17. The New Jersey General Assembly Speaker, Vincent Prieto, 1 Harmon Plaza, Ste 205 Secaucus, NJ 07094
  18. New Jersey State Senate President, Stephen M. Sweeney, 199 East Broadway, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Ste G, Salem, NJ 08079


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Dated: March 20, 2017

THE BORDENTOWN SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

By:   
Ellen Gulbinsky, Chairwoman

Attest:

  
Joseph R. Malone, III, Secretary