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As a lifelong resident of New Jersey, I wish to express in the strongest terms my complete OPPOSITION to any and all new fossil fuel projects in New Jersey. I have been signing petitions for several years in opposition to pipelines being planned to run through the Pine Barrens and other parts of our state, against fracking in the Delaware River Basin and nearby wetlands, and the ongoing situation with PennEast pipelines. I have also called Governor Murphy's office to register my concerns about shipping Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) on ships which would use the southern Delaware River Basin area to transport LNG to other states.

New Jersey is small in size when compared to other states. Despite the state's size, we have a wonderful assortment of natural resources throughout the state. We have rivers, streams, lakes, forests, beaches, open land and farmland, all of which should be protected from any and all new fossil fuel projects.

Our state has a rich history with the Revolutionary War - New Jersey has been called "The Crossroads of the American Revolution" because of the many battles fought by New Jersey farmers and residents against the invasion of the English Army - which was defeated by those same New Jersey farmers and residents. And there are many older homes and structures which have historical value. If any pipelines are permitted, and the older homes and structures are torn down, they are gone forever and cannot be reproduced.

Future energy needs MUST be focused on clean and renewable energy options, including solar power and offshore/coastal windpower. It is imperative that future energy projects are based on clean projects. The warming of our climate has not been addressed as efficiently as it should have already been by now, and the storms and hurricanes of the past several years have taken a toll with their devastating destruction. I remember Superstorm Sandy very well and was fortunate to have only lost power for 11 days. I personally know people who lost their homes. Coal, oil and gas are not and cannot be the fuels of the future.

Thank you for your consideration of my position AGAINST any new fossil fuel projects in New Jersey.

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