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Connecticut needs to move away from natural gas. The methods used to extract it from the earth are detrimental to all species. That it happens in other states matters little. Recent analyses indicate that the methane released from both pipes and origins is contributing to more greenhouse gas than even CO2.

Please do not even think about a natural gas plant in Bridgeport, or a pipeline across the state. This is backward thinking. We must move forward if our children are to survive.

The fact that you can't see gas doesn't mean it isn't doing harm. Ct needs to have a shared solar plan as soon as possible. Shared solar allows residents to access solar power even when they cannot produce.

We should invest in clean, distributed energy resources, such as wind, solar, and geothermal.

CT should encourage Zero-emission vehicles for mass transit, as well as for personal use possibly with rebates. Transit-oriented development should be included in the comprehensive transportation plan. We should be thinking sci-fi here. Perhaps a light rail system along the Merrit would be a good start.

We need some big thinkers thinking about the big picture. Can't be forfeiting the future for an election cycle.

Thank you,

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"It is only with the heart that one can see clearly. What is essential is invisible to the eye."

-Antoine de Saint-Exupery