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Subject: Governor's Council On Climate Change

Ms. Morrell,

I hope the new council can be a force for real change in state energy policy-and not just a buffer between the administration and those who push for necessary change in state energy policy. In my opinion, the central issue for the council going forward is the undemocratic blitzkrieg of natural gas pipelines being constructed on the backs of Connecticut residents. The pipelines do not benefit Connecticut despite gaining heavy subsidies from us.

Moving beyond the destructive, extracting ratepayer ripoff of the pipelines: how long are we going to deny our overall energy and environmental realities? How long is the Malloy administration, the legislature, and DEEP going to let themselves be pushed around by big, out of state fossil fuel entities. This ugly acquiescence(or worse) is obvious to all who observe closely(see Shared Solar Bill failure this year). Let's spur these bad forces inimical to our state and return to the innovation that has always been the hallmark of Connecticut. The council can start this process of meeting the future responsibly. To do less would be unethical and tragic. Seize the day and do something that would make the founders etched on the outside of the Capitol building in Hartford proud.

Sincerely,
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