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Hello,

One of the things that attracted my wife and I back to the New Jersey area after we had left for Pennsylvania was much of the talk about investment in cleaner energy and about taking the climate crisis seriously. Especially after the summer of terrible air quality in Middlesex County and throughout the state, the worrisome flooding, and the increasingly hot summers, I hope New Jersey starts walking the talk.

BPU must not approve any fossil fuel gas or RNG infrastructure projects other than those needed to ensure the safety of the current gas distribution systems until real plans are being implemented to meet the State's clean energy (100% by 2035) and carbon reduction (50% by 2030) goals for the many reasons and more laid out in Empower NJ's comments submitted as part of this proceeding.

Please do the right thing now so they don't get worse later. How soon it feels like we have forgotten Sandy, for instance.

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