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To: <u>Secretary, BPUBoard [BPU]</u>

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Greetings to the Commissioners and Secretary of the NJBPU,

Please consider that NJ must enact a moratorium on new gas infrastructure projects.

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 <a href="Empower NJ's comments">Empower NJ's comments</a> submitted as part of this proceeding.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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