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Dear Board of Public Utilities,

The 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.

When I was President of New Jersey Higher Education Partnership and Professor Sociology and Director of the Center for Global Studies at Kean University the Board of Public Utilities funded many projects at our 55+ institutions of higher education and NJHEPS energy and green design initiatives. Please don't undermine our progress and NJ's clean energy and carbon reduction goals by approving new RNG infrastructure plants.

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