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Honorable Tom Wolf
Office of the Governor
508 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Governor Wolf:

I read an article online at State Impact, where upon your administration has criticized the federal pipeline approval process, and specifically, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). I agree. Senator Dinniman and I have authored legislation to provide for stricter control over and management of pipelines through the Commonwealth by state government to help fill the vacuum created by FERC inactivity. Hopefully we can count on your support of same.

The state government needs to assert itself in areas where FERC oversight may be insufficient. We need to concern ourselves with safety in placement, installation and operation of the lines, as well as protecting individual property concerns. If you believe the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) and/or the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) need legislative corrections, please advise.

FERC and PUC procedures are outdated. I believe the impact to individual landowners has been neglected far too long, as well as the stress of resources to individual municipalities.

I look forward to your response. Thank you. I remain,

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John C. Rafferty, Jr.", written over a printed name.

John C. Rafferty, Jr.

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Cc: The Honorable Andrew Dinniman