

6/12/17— Williams Company water obstruction and encroachment permit where pipeline would cross waterways and wetlands. Erosion and sediment control permit.

Rejection of acquiring permits for this company is crucial. Concerned Mount Joy resident Chelsea Nasatka. The first swell of information began in 2002 when the company made headlines- but unfortunately not the good kind. Representatives of the company no doubt are familiar with that year because it was the beginning of their financial crisis coming to light. They were nearing bankruptcy at the hands of their own stock holders and fines over 20 million for reporting false data. That settlement set them back 200 million dollars. In 2013, they had their first OSHA inspection in that whole ten years since bankruptcy. It was paired with noncompliance fines with the Federal Clean Air Act. I haven't been given the time to read all my findings but I have provided the link to a file in public records that is several pages long in lawsuits, leaks and explosions. I will however share the few that hit closest to me. And to clarify, these findings are all pertaining the Williams Company, they already have pipelines in the grounds all over the country in case you were not aware. I wasn't until this year. The first one here in Susquehanna valley. It was 2012 when a gas leak caused a fire, one ton of methane was released. Shockingly, it was within 24 hours that pumping was resumed despite requests from the Pennsylvania department of environmental protection not to do so. In Colorado one year later when 25 gallons of gas was leaked with Benzene, this known cancer causing agent, this leak was found by accident. It contaminated groundwater. Williams Company rejected the US Army corporation of engineers' safety recommendations. Their statement before the fines for this came in was that the recommendations would "needlessly delay the construction and run up their costs"

From 2006-2011 federal agencies launched more enforcement actions against Williams than 90 percent of all related companies. And their statement to this? That they had an overall good safety record.

This past year when myself along with the entire nation watched Native Americans under fire by our own government I asked myself what can I do to help. That pipeline is already leaking. It spilled over 84 gallons of oil in south Dakota. It took over a month to be noticed. I thought if this separate company was having a problem keeping surveyors on hand to monitor the project, what if Williams has this same issue on Atlantic Sunrise? By their website, the wish is to boost the job market in my neighborhood specifically. I've been to the construction sites, I've seen Utah license plates and Precision Pipeline coming all the way from Wisconsin. This leads me to believe these workers are indeed not from Pennsylvania. If they were serious about bringing people to work for this company in the area, they would hire the people it affects. You get the people who are rightfully scared of the environmental implications of this pipeline keeping it in check, there won't be one inch of that line unmonitored. However, it became obvious to me that the company has little to no regard for its employees or life in general. At the end of my research the overwhelming feeling of disgust had made the easy option to stay as far away from this company and its operations as possible. As that is not an option for most we are at an impasse with this company that says one thing, doing another. If I am honest with myself and seeing the world for what it has become: corporation before community, big business before environment. Its already happening. You've gotten my attention; you've had their attention. We'll keep eye on you.

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