

Hello,

I come here today to express my firmest support for the Transco Pipeline's expansion. With the highest gas tax in the country, we all feel the pain at the pump the most. Pennsylvanians deserve cheap, effective energy to foster a more affordable, inclusive Commonwealth.

This expansion will run 30-35 miles across our Eastern border & will provide energy to 3 million people in multiple states. The coal belt will benefit the most from this in terms of both savings & jobs. As our world transitions away from coal it would create 6500 jobs in depressed areas & generate \$375m in GDP without costing the taxpayer a penny.

Growing counties like York & Cumberland (the fastest growing in PA) would directly benefit from this. A growing population requires more energy & with the war in Ukraine continuing & winter fast approaching, Pennsylvanians need this cheap, reliable source.

This project will also improve multiple existing facilities. This will overall come at a price tag of \$800m and will generate a hefty sum of tax revenue for a state in relative decline.

Just today, OPEC its capping of oil production by millions of barrels. This will provide a major problem for the people of Pennsylvania and our neighbor states.

The pipeline costs Pennsylvania \$0. The project will generate thousands of jobs. The GDP will explode with growth in areas formerly designed for coal production. This will be a huge net benefit for all of Pennsylvania and especially the depressed coal belt.

I urge the PA DEP to approve expansion of the Transco Pipeline.