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To: 'Linda Busklein'

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Subject: RE: democracy

Linda,

Thank you for your email and following up with your address and additional information.

Any information indicating that the public is foreclosed from input in the Keystone XL docket or any other docket before this Commission is absolutely incorrect. As it relates to the Keystone XL docket, the PUC is planning a special public input meeting prior to the hearing to allow us to hear from individuals who are not formal parties in the docket. That input allows us to better frame the issues that we need to be concerned with during the hearing. In addition to the special meeting, the PUC always accepts written input such as you have given us. That input is placed in the docket file and available for everyone, including commissioners, to read.

There are legal requirements established in state law regarding obligations of the parties and witnesses who wish to be involved in the formal hearing. Those legal requirements ensure a fair hearing for all parties.

Thanks again for contacting us. Let me know if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

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