

Public Comment on H.51, H.175, H.214
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House Energy and Technology Committee,

House Bills 51 and 175 should be voted out of committee and moved to the Senate this year. Adding more fossil fuel infrastructure does not make sense economically or environmentally. Expensive investments in pipelines and other infrastructure require many years of useful service before their initial costs can be repaid. We should not be building anything which will be unwanted, obsolete and uneconomical within just a few years. Taxpayers will be asked in the near future to repay investors for pipelines and other "white elephants" as we transition to the necessary fossil-fuel-free economy. Stop construction of fossil fuel projects and focus resources on renewable energy projects.

Thank you,
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