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Resolution

Opposing the Construction and Installation of a Compressor Station for Connection to the Transco Pipeline by Williams on the Proposed Route 27 Location Owned by Trap Rock (Revised 7/26/2016)

Whereas, Williams is an Energy Infrastructure Company that operates the Transco Natural Gas Pipeline which transports natural gas from South Texas to New York City, and

Whereas, Williams is proposing the Northeast Supply Enhancement Project for construction and installation of a compressor station (Facility #206) for connection to the Transco Pipeline on a portion of the Trap Rock Quarry property located near the intersection of Route 27 and Promenade Blvd in South Brunswick Township to supply the Brooklyn and Rockaway areas of New York at the request of their customer "National Grid", and;

Whereas, Williams made a presentation to the South Brunswick Township Council in Council chambers at a meeting held on July 12, 2016, which was attended by well over 100 residents and,

Whereas, during the presentation by Williams the Mayor and Council asked questions and thereafter the public was invited to ask questions and express any concerns they had regarding this compressor station, especially since there are no known benefits to the residents of South Brunswick Township who would suffer the detrimental effects of such a project, and

Whereas, the application process takes approximately three years and requires an approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Although Williams has suggested they would make an effort to work within local and state codes, it is clear there are no requirements to do so for this Federal approval. In addition, they have reported that the initial application will be submitted in a few months with many questions still unanswered, and

Whereas, despite the concerns and opposition to this compressor station, Williams continues to evaluate two sites out of four that were considered at the Trap Rock Quarry location on Route 27 in Franklin Township. Both of the sites considered for this compressor station border South Brunswick Township and would dramatically affect the quality of life of many of the residents of South Brunswick Township if it were to be constructed, while providing no benefits to this area, and

Whereas, many residents in attendance presented numerous concerns they had regarding the noise and and emissions pollution as well as vibration that would result if a compressor station were constructed at this location. More specifically, Williams was unable to provide details regarding the tonnage of emissions that would be produced, use of urea (which can cause dead zones in water) and whether it is safe to have the compressor station in such close proximity to the weekly blasting that takes place at the Trap Rock Quarry. In addition, there were safety concerns with the added pressure to the existing 50 year old pipeline to which this compressor station would connect, and

Whereas, there were several health issues reported including a resident living near a compressor station in Chesterfield that is experiencing constant ear ringing and suffering health consequences from low vibrations of the ground. Another individual's son, near the Lawrenceville compressor station, experiences nosebleeds from the noxious fumes. An article was referenced and details provided that point out the negative effects of a compressor station and how the gases emitted can turn into formaldehyde and cause chronic sore throats, headaches, nosebleeds and other major health issues, and

Whereas, there is proposed legislation for Safe and Accountable Federal Energy Review, which would require FERC to consider alternate energy locations and to review the necessity and impact of this project. The negative impacts and safety risks identified far outweigh the need to construct a compressor station at this location, which necessity Williams failed to properly demonstrate during their presentation. This is a perfect example of the need for such legislation and Williams is urged to find an alternate location for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED on this 26th day of July, 2016, by the Township Council of the Township of South Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that:

- The Mayor and Council of the Township of South Brunswick oppose the construction and installation of a compressor station on all proposed locations in and around South Brunswick Township as it would have severe detrimental impacts on the residential communities in South Brunswick Township.
- 2. The Mayor and Township Council urge Williams to eliminate any further consideration for a compressor station at the Trap Rock locations and/or locations in South Brunswick and to find an alternate location for the construction and installation of a compressor station.
- 3. The Mayor and Township Council urge the FERC to deny any application for these locations and urge its representatives of the United States Congress, United States Senate and New Jersey Legislature to oppose this compressor station application.
- 3. A copy of this resolution be forwarded to US Senator Cory Booker, US Senator Robert Menendez, Congresswoman Bonnie Watson Coleman, Senator Christopher Bateman, Assemblyman Jack Ciattarelli, and Assemblyman Andrew Zwicker.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Chris Killmurray, Deputy Mayor

SECONDER: Joseph Camarota, Councilman

AYES: Camarota, Carley, Hochman, Killmurray, Gambatese

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted at the South Brunswick Township Council meeting held on July 26, 2016.

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