U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY



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14:09:14	1	And also, one more reminder, if everyone
	2	could please turn off your cell phones and
	3	pagers and Blackberries and other fun gadgets
	4	that we carry around, I-pods. Thank you.
14:09:32	5	Thank you again, and let's begin. Will
	6	Matt and I am sorry if I mispronounce the
	7	names wrong. You can also please restate your
	8	name correctly, so I can learn. And come up to
	9	the podium, restate your name for the court
14:09:46	10	reporter, that would be great. Thank you very
	11	much. Matt Featherstone from Portland General
:	12	Electric.
	13	UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Actually, I was not
	14	slotted to speak, but we have two
14:09:55	15	representatives from Portland General Electric
	16	that were.
	17	MS. SOUDER: That's okay. I'll move on to
	18	the next card. Michael Burke from Trans
	19	Canada.
14:10:10	20	MR. BURKE: Suppose to speak over here?
	21	MS. SOUDER: Yes, please.
	22	MR. BURKE: My name is Michael Burke from
OR01	23	Trans Canada Gas Transmission Northwest. And
	24	we've been involved in this project for quite
14:10:22	25	awhile through our involvement with the Western

14:10:24	1	Utility Group, and so we're really glad that
	2	the Department of Energy actually is taking
	3	this on. It's a big project, but we think it's
	4	something that will benefit the western energy
14:10:34	5	business and look forward to the results in the
	6	process.
	7	A couple of just brief comments, and I
	8	won't read my whole letter here. But first
	9	thing is on the mapping I know you've got
14:10:45	10	your map on the wall there and that looks very
	11	familiar, because I think that's what came out
	12	of the one effort earlier. But one of the
	13	things that would be very helpful in this whole
	14	process would be to make sure and differentiate
14:10:55	15	between existing corridors, proposed corridors,
	16	and corridors that may be approved and not used
	17	or something like that, and to also
	18	differentiate between the facilities within
	19	there. It's hard to look at that map and know
14:11:08	20	what's an electric transmission line, a
	21	pipeline, or whatever. So just more details
	22	really would be very helpful in the whole
	23	process and evaluation.
	24	One of the other issues is to make sure
14:11:19	25	and assure consistency and coordination with

14:11:24	1	other plans, and I know on the western-wide you
	2	are trying to do that. But there is instances
	3	where forest service abutting forest service
	4	districts don't actually one might have a
14:11:36	5	corridor and one might not. So hopefully that
	6	will some of that will be resolved. And
	7	also, there is some an effort up in the
	8	state of Washington to develop tools for
	9	jurisdictional for local jurisdictions from
14:11:50	10	a planning perspective and trying to tie the
	11	whole this whole corridor concept in with
	12	some of the state and local efforts that are
	13	going on to try to basically improve
	14	coordination.
14:12:02	15	Additionally, we're I am with Gas
	16	Transmission Northwest, which was purchased by
	17	Trans Canada a couple of years ago, so we now
	18	look at from an international perspective.
	19	So when the corridors get near the Mexico
14:12:15	20	border or the Canadian border, some sort of
	21	evaluation of our brothers north and south
	22	might be helpful to look at an overall
	23	perspective there.
	24	The expansion of existing facilities, we
14:12:31	25	typically, in the gas transmission business,

14:12:33	1	will build a parallel pipeline when we want to
1	2	expand our facilities and vice-versa in the
	3	electric business. They build parallel power
	4	lines. And we want to make sure, as the
14:12:45	5	corridors get designated, that our facilities
	6	and others don't get sandwiched with an
	7	electric line and a pipeline and an electric
	8	line and all of that, so just some forward
	9	thinking in trying not to sandwich facilities
14:12:58	10	will be helpful.
	11	Additionally, new projects, we've
	12	participated in this process and tried to get
	13	some of our projects that we're thinking about,
.	14	as well as our existing facilities on that map
14:13:09	15	back there. But there is projects out there
	16	that I can't even think of today that may come
	17	up tomorrow. And so we would like to make sure
	18	that the that there is flexibility there,
	19	that new projects don't get precluded out
14:13:21	20	because they didn't go through this process and
	21	participate in this.
	22	Definition and corridor width, the more
	23	definition we can have through this process, so
	24	that you sort of know the rules of the road,
14:13:35	25	what is the corridor width, what's the

14:13:38	1	allowable use in there, and try to reduce as
	2	much ambiguity as possible would be very
	3	helpful.
	4	And finally, we're always concerned about
14:13:46	5	security and critical energy infrastructure
	6	information, and I am sure you are thinking
	7	about that, and we just want to make sure that
	8	that's a consideration as you go through the
	9	process. So thank you.
14:13:56	10	MS. SOUDER: Thank you. Kenneth Dillon
	11	from Portland General Electric.
OR02	12	MR. DILLON: Thank you. My name is
	13	Kenneth Dillon from Portland General Electric
	14	Transmission Services Department, and I am here
14:14:21	15	representing, today, the electric transmission
	16	needs of Portland General Electric.
	17	Portland General Electric Company is an
	18	electric utility engaged in the generation,
	19	purchase, transmission, distribution, and
14:14:30	20	retail sale of electricity in the state of
	21	Oregon. PGE's service area is located entirely
	22	within Oregon and covers 3,150 square miles.
	23	PGE serves more than 750,000 retail customers
	24	and also sells wholesale electric energy to
14:14:47	25	utilities, brokers, and power marketers located

