

TOWNSHIP OF KINGWOOD

Committee Meeting:
First Thursday of Each Month – 7pm
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Sir,

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The Kingwood Township Office Of Emergency Management is very concerned about the safety within our community. The following is an intervener question:

Have PennEast Pipeline contacted the Office of Homeland Security at the federal and state levels in regard to a risk assessment of the overall plan/project? Have the New Jersey State Police been brought into the planning for the security of the pipelines and infrastructure? The population density and the critical infrastructures along the planned pipeline are at high risk. The PennEast Pipeline intersects Algonquin Tetco gas lines and Buckeye Partners Petrol Chemical Pipelines both are excellent terroristic targets. The proximity to Kingwood Township Elementary school is a concern. The unguarded value MLV10 located off Spring Hill Road Kingwood Township, where anyone could conduct a clandestine terrorist bombing is subject to question. What hardening plans are in place for the vulnerable areas of PennEast's pipeline? What alarms and surveillance systems are planned for these areas? What is the estimated time for the New Jersey State Police to respond to a call of trespassers or the sighting of a drone aircraft that could be carrying explosives in Kingwood Township? The location of Buckeye Partners Pipeline, Jersey Central Power and Light's Gilbert to Rosemount electric transmission lines and the PennEast Pipeline are a true target for a terrorism. Their intersection in approximately the same location would cause a major disaster. The terrorist gets their bang for the buck with a one-person operation or a remote drone attack. Is FERC considering acceptable loses with the PennEast Pipeline plan?

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