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PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

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At 7:04 p.m.

At Tuscany Suites Hotel

Las Vegas, Nevada

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1 We're finding that there's a lot of need to
2 tie into systems in Canada and look at that as being
3 a source of energy, both gas and electricity. And so
4 some of those may not be identified yet, but
5 hopefully will come out of this process.

6 Hopefully there will be some flexibility in
7 the program to allow for new corridors in the future.
8 And so with that said, we would look forward to
9 receiving maps and whatever you have identifying the
10 corridors that are under consideration. Thank you.

11 JERRY PELL: Thank you. And by the same
12 token we look forward to any written material or maps
13 or what have you from you that you may wish us to
14 considered.

15 I have another gentleman here that would
16 like to speak. If I may ask you to tell us who you
17 are and spell your name for the court reporter
18 please.

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19 STEVE HALL: My name is Steve Hall. I'm
20 with Western Renewable Energy. Spelling of my name
21 is S-t-e-v-e, H-a-l-l.

22 I work in distributed generation. I have a
23 small energy plant myself. I burn wood generally
24 from beetle kill or forest fires. We do watershed
25 work for evasive species. And we're confident that

1 distributed generation is a good fit in these energy
2 corridors. We can serve rural communities at a
3 really substantial manner.

4 We've put a lot of time and effort into
5 this. We're looking at waste energy so that we can
6 increase the needs for rural communities to create
7 jobs and of course maybe reduce the waste going to
8 our land fills and things like that.

9 With the current corridors that we have,
10 siting some utilities with them and having other
11 pipelines with those energy corridors, we think
12 that's a good idea and maybe we would need less
13 corridors because we located those utilities
14 together.

15 We're thankful that the DOE and the U.S.D.A.
16 are working together. We're part of the national
17 fire plan. That's how a lot of this distributed
18 generation is working and we appreciate the efforts
19 that U.S.D.A. and the DOE are providing for
20 distributed generation and we appreciate the fact
21 that you're working together.

22 We often thought that the DOE, since they're
23 in charge of our energy needs, and the U.S.D.A. maybe
24 has too much wood to deal with that it was a logical
25 step that we all work together towards the common

1 good of everybody out there. And in that we think
2 we've improved the landscape for the naturalists, the
3 conservationists, and recognize that people need
4 electricity to be able to work, and how do we go
5 about that in the smartest ways we can. And I
6 appreciate your efforts. Thank you.

7 JERRY PELL: Thank you very much, Mr. Hall.
8 I should mention that, you know, the agencies do work
9 together outside of requirements from legislation.
10 We typically work together, this three group of
11 Bureau of Land Management, Forest Service, DOE have
12 been known to work together on a fairly routine basis
13 on energy projects that are all federal, and so it's
14 really not an exception by any means.

15 Yes, sir?

16 BOB HENNKENS: I thought you were going to
17 ask for the next speaker.

18 JERRY PELL: Yes, I certainly am. Would you
19 like to speak?

20 BOB HENNKENS: Yes.

21 JERRY PELL: Thank you.

22 BOB HENNKENS: Thank you. Good evening.
23 I'm Bob Hennkens, H-e-n-n-k-e-n-s. Like Steve I'm
24 out of Arizona. We're very interested in the concept
25 of corridor. It seems to be the least invasive for

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