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PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

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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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1 our natural resources for our 700 million acres of  
2 public lands that we feel is a national asset. We  
3 don't like to see it burn. We don't like to see  
4 anything happen to any of the species because it's no  
5 good. I want my grandkids, my kids haven't figured  
6 out how to make any yet, but when they do I promise  
7 you that I want them to go out and be able to see the  
8 same wildlife and species that I see.

9 But I also understand and have, in fact,  
10 worked on a similar corridor to connect the city of  
11 Druzhba, Kazakstan to Urumchi, China and the PRC.  
12 And what we found was when you work with nothing,  
13 nothing was there, it was just country, the only  
14 asset that we really had was the railroad corridors.  
15 And if we followed the corridors with the rail with  
16 the checkerboard that's already in place, seems to me  
17 you'd be very noninvasive.

18 We also not only had pipelines, gas pipeline  
19 from the Tingies field in Kazakstan to the big  
20 refinery in Urumchi, China, but also it had the  
21 rails, and subsequently they're building a commercial  
22 corridor for the highways and also an interstate  
23 along these things as well as a communication system  
24 all in one basic corridor that is very noninvasive in  
25 my viewpoint.

1           It was the least invasive but also the most  
2           productive relative to one very important commodity,  
3           which was security. And when you're dealing in less  
4           than stable parts of the world, it's one of the  
5           things that you always have to, in fact, think about.

6           And I think when the FBI warned me, I worked  
7           with technologies basically and advised the federal  
8           laboratories on technologies, we were briefed by the  
9           FBI. They said that just in the state of Arizona we  
10          have 2200 miles of power grid, and they were  
11          concerned that it could be taken out with Molotov  
12          cocktails basically between 2:00 and 4:00 in the  
13          morning with nothing but people in pickup trucks.

14          It's not high tech at all, but it's very  
15          efficient because our fires are just destroying too  
16          much of our asset. Our nation's assets are not based  
17          on gold, they're based on our ports, they're based on  
18          our ability to, in fact, have cash flow and our  
19          ability to maintain the population.

20          It's very important that we understand that  
21          the efforts of the DOE and DOA, the rest of the  
22          people in the national bureaucracy are very much  
23          interested in what's not only happening today with  
24          cost of fuels, etc., it's very important that we know  
25          that we've got something for the future.

1 I had one technical question. This has to  
2 do with ultra low sulfur in the oil componentry, if  
3 that's going to, in fact, be addressed because we're  
4 having some difficulties now trying to get pipelines  
5 to carry the ultra low sulfur diesel product if they  
6 carry jet fuels as well. And that is a little more  
7 technical than probably you guys care about, but it's  
8 very important. We may have to have a separate  
9 pipeline for that. Thank you.

10 JERRY PELL: Thank you very much,  
11 Mr. Hennkens. If you would do me a favor please,  
12 when we adjourn if you'd be kind enough to meet with  
13 Debbie, our court reporter, and give her spellings of  
14 some of these names in Kazakstan and China I'd  
15 appreciate it, because I certainly didn't catch the  
16 spelling.

17 Who else do we have here that would like to  
18 speak this evening? Nobody else would like to speak?  
19 We have no other comments from the public? Going  
20 once. Nobody? Okay. Going twice.

21 SPEAKER: Can we ask more questions?

22 JERRY PELL: We'll go off the record. We'll  
23 be glad to chat with you and answer questions off the  
24 record once I get through the formal part of the  
25 evening.