

October 6, 2026

Matthew L. Homsher, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
400 North Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Public Comment, Docket No. M-2026-3059601, PATER Study Preliminary Phase 1 Report

Dear Secretary Homsher:

I own a home in the Phoenixville Heights community in Phoenixville Borough, Chester County, about half a mile from the former Cromby Generating Station in East Pikeland Township, a candidate site in the preliminary report.

The report notes the site's transmission, rail and pipeline access, but not that it is now surrounded by residential neighborhoods, including Phoenixville Heights (completed 2025 and 2026), or that the Schuylkill River Trail and Cromby Trailhead sit adjacent to the property. On July 7, 2026, East Pikeland Township adopted Ordinance 212, creating conditional use provisions for utility facilities and data centers in its Industrial and Utility districts.

I respectfully request that the final report (1) document the residential and recreational uses now surrounding the Cromby site; (2) state that redevelopment remains subject to East Pikeland Township's zoning, conditional use and land development approvals; (3) recommend that new transmission or pipeline infrastructure avoid existing residential neighborhoods; and (4) recommend direct engagement with East Pikeland Township and Phoenixville Borough before any project at the site advances.

Thank you for considering this comment.

Respectfully,

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