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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
12225 Wilkins Avenue,
Rockville, Maryland 20852

Dear Secretary Bose and Commissioners,

Please accept these comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Proposed GTN Xpress Project, Docket No. CP22-2-000 on behalf of Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility (OPSR). We are an organization of more than 2,400 health professionals and public health advocates working to protect human life from the gravest threats to health and survival. We strongly encourage you to deny this misguided project. GTN XPress would add more fossil fuels at a time we must reduce fossil fuel consumption. Adding 250,000 dekatherms per day of new fracked gas is the exact opposite direction we need to go to meet our region's aggressive greenhouse gas reduction goals.

FERC staff calculated the social cost of carbon for GTN XPress at \$12 billion. This project is extremely harmful to our long-term public health due to the climate impacts of fracked gas.

The DEIS concluded that GTN Xpress could increase greenhouse gas emissions in Idaho by 16%, Washington by 3.8%, and Oregon by 7.7% every year. FERC should not approve a project inconsistent with Washington's and Oregon's laws that require **decreasing** emissions by 95% and 75%, respectively, by 2050.

We encourage you to deny the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for GTN XPress because the project is contrary to the public interest. I hope FERC can focus our energy resources on clean and renewable projects, not the dangerous expansion of fracked gas infrastructure.

Sincerely,

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