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The Honorable Jackie Speier
U.S. House of Representatives
211 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Speier:

Thank you for your letter of April 1 advancing *Proposals for Natural Gas Transmission Line Safety*. As Commissioner Mike Florio announced at the Commission's Public Participation Hearing in San Bruno this week, your constructive and thoughtful proposals warrant the Commission's full attention. Yesterday Commissioner Florio issued the attached Ruling inviting parties to comment on how best to consider the proposals in the Commission's overall review of natural gas pipeline safety rules in R.11-02-019.

I very much appreciate your consistently thoughtful attention as we all, at all levels of government, learn the lessons of the San Bruno tragedy and apply ourselves to making sure it never happens again.

Sincerely,


Paul Clanon
Executive Director

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Enclosure