

Sent: Wednesday, December 17, 2014 1:54 PM

To: MIpipelinetaskforce

Subject: Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force Comment Form (ContentID - 335979)

name: John [REDACTED]

phone:

email: [REDACTED]

message: Some time ago I had the honor to attend a Pipeline Rally just northwest of the Bridge. Several speakers, including Bill McKibben were in attendance. I spoke with a local township supervisor who told me his township had NO plans or emergency equipment to stop or even control an oil pipeline break even though the pipeline went through his township into Lake Michigan. He was pretty sure the State of Michigan had NO plans or equipment to control a pipeline break either. With Enbridge's disastrous 17 hour response time in Kalamazoo, our Great Lakes and Tourist Industry could be devastated by a Tar Sands Oil pipeline break. I think at the least the pipeline NEEDS TO BE REPLACED if not relocated. I, and many State of Michigan Citizens will be intently watching how this threatening pipeline is handled in Michigan. Enbridge has a very poor record of pipeline management and can not be trusted to do what needs to be done. John [REDACTED]

contactme: on

From: DoNotReply@michigan.gov [mailto:DoNotReply@michigan.gov]

Sent: Friday, February 20, 2015 1:50 PM

To: MIpipelinetaskforce

Subject: Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force Comment Form (ContentID - 335979)

name: Roger [REDACTED]

phone:

email: [REDACTED]

message: I suggest a flow meter of oil passing thru at the St. Ignace end. And one at the Mackinac City side. These two oil-flow monitors could instantly detect any difference between what is going out on the Mackinac City side versus whats entering at the St. Ignace end. These 2 Monitors could be electronically synchronized together: If there a was any discrepancy then the St. Ignace side would be instantly shut down. I don' know if the types of valves exist. But the cost would be far cheaper than an oil disaster under the straits.

From: DoNotReply@michigan.gov [mailto:DoNotReply@michigan.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 9:14 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force Comment Form (ContentID - 335979)

name: Mike [REDACTED]

phone:

email: [REDACTED]

message: Enbridge is a Canadian company responsible for the largest 'on land' oil spill in the nation-the Kalamazoo River spill. Michigan cannot afford to trust Enbridge when it comes to Line 5 under the straits of Mackinaw. This pipeline should be closed and rerouted over land for the sake of Michigan's waters and economy. Line 5 is a 60 year old time bomb that the Coast Guard cannot take action on when it ruptures. Its the duty of all elected officials to sound an alarm on this dangerous pipeline. Thank you
contactme: on

From: DoNotReply@michigan.gov [mailto:DoNotReply@michigan.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 9:16 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force Comment Form (ContentID - 335979)

name: mary [REDACTED]

phone: [REDACTED]

email: [REDACTED]

message: The pipeline that goes under the Straits is old and in great danger of springing leaks, or worse, similar to the huge mess that Embridge caused on the Kalamazoo River several years ago. The water that flows over pipeline 5 is threatened by an almost certain disaster, namely a burst resulting in massive amounts of petroleum released into our precious drinking water. Despite the Embridge "authorities" claiming that this pipe is guaranteed safe, there is sufficient evidence--OR LACK OF SAME-- to convince informed citizens that this is wishful thinking with NO RELIABLE EVIDENCE AVAILABLE TO CONVINCING THE MAJORITY OF SKEPTICAL MICHIGAN communities.

From: Liela [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2015 8:45 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Please shut down line 5 under the Straights of Mackinac

Hello,

I am very concerned about the 62 year old oil and gas pipeline 5 beneath the Straights of Mackinac. As a Michigander, I depend on the Great Lakes for water, recreation, and refuge. Line 5 is one leak away from disaster. One in five jobs depends on the health of our lakes and our state depends on the revenue from tourism. I urge Attorney General Schuette to protect our Great Lakes and to shut down line 5, PLEASE.

Thank you for your consideration,

Liela [REDACTED]

From: Timothy [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2015 1:16 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Shut Down Line 5 under the Straits of Macinac

Dear Attorney General Schuette & Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force:

“As a Michigander, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes by shutting down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.”

A ticking time-bomb is resting under the Straits of Mackinac. Line 5, a 62-year-old oil and gas pipeline, is one leak away from devastating our treasured Great Lakes.

Michigan is literally defined by the Great Lakes. One in five jobs is dependent upon their health. They provide drinking water for roughly 35 million people. If Line 5 were to spring a leak, even a small one, all of this would be put in peril.

The currents in the Straits of Mackinac are extremely strong, and every 10 days the currents switch direction. If an oil spill were to occur in the Straits, the currents would spread the oil quickly, making clean-up efforts incredibly difficult. Our Lakes aren't worth the risk.

I live near the Straits of Mackinac and can easily envision the outcome of an oil spill in these pristine waters and the devastation that would encompass Lake Michigan and Lake Huron. **Our lakes, our drinking water and our health are depending on you!**

Timothy Connors

From: DoNotReply@michigan.gov [mailto:DoNotReply@michigan.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2015 3:17 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force Comment Form (ContentID - 335979)

name: Susan [REDACTED]
phone: [REDACTED]
email: [REDACTED]

message: After learning about the pipeline leak in the Kalamazoo River, I am extremely concerned about the pipeline, line 5, running under the Straights of Mackinaw. I am terrified that there is not a timely, comprehensive and long lasting remedy to this aging pipeline. I urge you, without delay, to please find a solution to this situation.

Enbridge appears to not be in compliance with current regulations regarding pipeline 5. It is time to shut it down until these regulations are met. Michigan is surrounded by a most precious freshwater resource, which is constantly under attack on many fronts. These pipelines will cause, long term as well as irreparable damage. We must protect our freshwater! Thank you. Susan [REDACTED]

From: Marcia [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2015 3:49 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Mackinaw pipeline

I am very concerned about the 61 year old pipeline and all the areas it passes through. The water can pass in either direction between Lake Huron and Lake Michigan and if an oil spill happens it could have a major impact on one of the largest sources of fresh water in the world. We know Enbridge was responsible for the Kalamazoo oil spill in 2010.

The pipeline ships 23 million gallons of crude oil every day and it seems that we need to protect our fresh water, environment, and our legacy for future generations.

Marcia [REDACTED]

From: marge [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2015 3:50 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5 Comments

To the Michigan Pipeline Task Force:

As a Michigander, I am very concerned about Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac. The currents in the Straits of Mackinac are extremely strong, and every 10 days the currents switch direction. If an oil spill were to occur in the Straits, the currents would spread the oil quickly making cleanup efforts incredibly difficult. The risk of keeping this pipeline, Line 5 or any pipeline, isn't worth permanently or otherwise damaging our Great Lakes.

Our lakes, our drinking water, and our health are depending on Line 5 not leaking oil.

I don't want to wait and see if it happens because it will happen. When it happens, it will be too late.

Please shut down Line 5 completely, and do not risk using pipelines in, under, or around our Great Lakes. Just look at the oil damage done to the Gulf of Mexico and the river in Kalamazoo County. People said these things wouldn't happen, and they have. There are so many other times oil lines have leaked, and I don't need to mention them all because you know about them. The messes are still not cleaned up, and people's lives, businesses, and health have been compromised greatly. Our wildlife, too, has suffered immensely. It is not worth it.

Shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac!!!

Sincerely,
Marjorie [REDACTED]

From: Micheal [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2015 4:08 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

For public safety, our environment & our precious water resources,
CLOSE LINE 5.

Thank you,
Micheal & Joanne [REDACTED]

From: Wendy/Dave [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2015 4:32 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Shut down Line 5

Respectfully, I am from Ontonagon, Michigan on the shore of Lake Superior. Along with enjoying the beach, our village gets its water from Lake Superior. The health of the Great Lakes and of the people and environment of Michigan are very important to me. I have grave concerns about the safety of Line 5, the 62-year-old oil and gas pipeline under the Straits of Mackinac.

I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes by shutting down Line 5.

Thank you.

Wendy L [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, April 03, 2015 5:45 AM
To: Michigan Attorney General
Subject: Shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac

Dear Attorney General Bill Schuette:

As a Michigander, I strongly urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes by shutting down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Sincerely,
Natalie [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2015 8:48 PM
To: Michigan Attorney General
Subject: Shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac

Dear Attorney General Bill Schuette:

As a Michigander, I strongly urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes by shutting down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Sincerely,
Art [REDACTED]

From: DoNotReply@michigan.gov [mailto:DoNotReply@michigan.gov]
Sent: Friday, April 03, 2015 1:54 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force Comment Form (ContentID - 335979)

name: Sandi [REDACTED]

phone:

email:

message: Enter your message here

As a Michigan Constituent I'm urging you to shut down pipeline #5 under the Straits of Mackinaw. That pipeline is old and a leak from it would be devastating to Michigan's greatest natural resource our Great Lakes. Our lakes belong to the people not to the oil and gas industries and they are too precious for numerous reasons to be put in jeopardy just to move oil around. Please shut it down before an accident occurs which could destroy so much. As the stewards for the great lakes we need to do everything we can to protect them into perpetuity. Thankyou for your consideration.

From: DoNotReply@michigan.gov [mailto:DoNotReply@michigan.gov]
Sent: Sunday, April 05, 2015 12:15 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force Comment Form (ContentID - 335979)

name: Scott [REDACTED]

phone: [REDACTED]

email: [REDACTED]

message: Please shut down Line 5, it is a very old and rickety petroleum and natural gas pipeline that could destroy the great lakes and endanger our very existence should it fail, which is very likely. Please shut down line 5. Thank You, Scott
contactme: on

From: Marcia [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]

Sent: Monday, April 06, 2015 11:48 AM

To: MIpipelinetaskforce

Subject:

Avert disaster and fix the pipes - NOW!

From: DoNotReply@michigan.gov [mailto:DoNotReply@michigan.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 08, 2015 8:19 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force Comment Form (ContentID - 335979)

name: John [REDACTED]
phone: [REDACTED]
email: [REDACTED]

message: Whatever befalls the earth befalls the sons and daughters of the earth. We did not weave the web of life: we are merely a strand in it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. Chief Seattle

From: Kerri [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, April 08, 2015 7:50 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Enbridge Line 5

Dear Michigan Pipeline Task Force members,
I'm a concerned citizen living in Petoskey, MI. Enbridge Corporation needs to at the very least comply with the recent regulations to buttress Line 5 and/or replace it with a newer pipeline. Also, I am against sending tar sands through this line. I know this is currently not happening but I don't want it to happen in the future.

Sincerely,
Kerri [REDACTED]

From: deborah [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 8:54 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Pipeline 5

Please shut down Enbridge's Line 5 under the Straits. Our health, safety and economy are at stake and it's too much to risk. Please choose protecting the health of the lakes and the citizens as the highest and best priority.

Deborah [REDACTED]
Petoskey

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 8:59 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Please shut down Line 5 that is over 60 years old under the Great Lakes

Dear Task Force:

I watched your nice video. As a constituent of Michigan and concerned citizen, the idea of having a 60 year old pipeline running with toxic material (that it was not designed for) is like having a 60 year old run a marathon for the first time.

Once the toxic material is released into the Great Lakes, we will lose our source of drinking water, our economy, our ecosystem, our state.

This is not worth it to have an old line running toxic material that it was not intended for. Please look at other sources of renewable energy.

Once the Great Lakes is polluted with oil it does not go away.

Linda [REDACTED]

From: Sam [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 9:20 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

A sane society would recognize the importance and the urgency in eliminating the threat to an irreplaceable, non-renewable and unrepairable natural resource. The eventual leak and disaster will be much worse than Enbridge's failure in the Kalamazoo river .

The only sane and reasonable course of action is to shut the ancient line down. There is simply no reason, other than greed, to put the lakes at risk when there is a line in place that can take the product around the lakes where the spills will be less devastating.

Thank you

Sam [REDACTED]

From: Karen [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 9:23 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Shutdown Line 5`

Attorney General Bill Schuette and Task Force Members:

It is imperative that you protect our precious Great Lakes by shutting down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac. I urge you to take responsibility for the future of the Michigan and Great Lakes. Enbridge has proven itself to have reckless disregard for our environment. It is dangerous to gamble that nothing will go wrong with aging infrastructure and naive to trust companies bent on short-term profit to make decisions for the public good.

Thank you for receiving my comments.

Sincerely,
Karen [REDACTED]

From: Ken [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 9:34 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Enbridge line 5

Please shut down this aging pipe before an environmental crisis happens.

Thank you
Ruth [REDACTED]

From: Leah [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 9:41 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: #5 Pipeline

Enbridge has already defiled enough Michigan waters, ie the Kalamazoo River. Hold them responsible, they can afford it. The pipeline in the Straits of Mackinac should be shut down.

Thank you,
Leah [REDACTED]

From: Honna [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 9:44 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

A sane society would recognize the importance and the urgency in eliminating the threat to an irreplaceable, non-renewable and unreparable natural resource. The eventual leak and disaster will be much worse than Enbridge's failure in the Kalamazoo river .
The only sane and reasonable course of action is to shut the ancient line down. There is simply no reason, other than greed, to put the lakes at risk when there is a line in place that can take the product around the lakes where the spills will be less devastating.

Thank you
Honna [REDACTED]

From: Wilcox, Kimberly (AG)
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 9:57 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Citizen Mary Ellen Gondeck

Ms. Gondeck was unable to send an email to this address so I am sending it on her behalf. She is a citizen of Kalamazoo, Michigan and works at Congregation of St. Joseph [REDACTED]

"I am concerned about the Great Lakes and I ask the Attorney General to shut down line #5 in the Straits of Mackinaw."

Kimberly A. Wilcox
Legal Assistant
Environment, Natural Resources,
and Agriculture Division
Michigan Department of Attorney General
(517) 373-7540

From: PHILLIP & MARGARET [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 10:11 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Pipe Line 5

Hello! I am a constituent from Waterford who is greatly concerned about the pipe line running under the Straits of Mackinaw. Please consider the public health, the health of the Great Lakes and all that hinges on their health and shut down this pipe line. There have been too many pipe line disasters. It is time to consider the wellbeing of our natural resources that do bring a variety of wealth to Michigan and the people of Michigan.

I am becoming extremely discouraged at the state of the political arena, politicians are voted in to serve the people, NOT corporations/big business (made up of people, but NOT a person). It is time for all politicians to remember this and to stop posturing. It is time for someone to be brave enough to change the thinking about energy and the direction we are taking, especially for future generations. It is time for big business to adapted and change over to alternative energies. NOW, not later! It is only going to get more expensive to make this shift- destruction of human habitation and health, of our natural resources and all living beings, and of the public trust.

Thank you,
Margaret [REDACTED]

From: Ceci [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 10:14 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Pipeline in Great Lakes

Enbridge should be ashamed of themselves! Their track record for handling spills and their refusal to upkeep is unacceptable.....DO SOMETHING NOW!

The only sane and reasonable course of action is to shut the ancient line down. There is simply no reason, other than greed, to put the lakes at risk when there is a line in place that can take the product around the lakes where the spills will be less devastating.

Thank you
Ceci [REDACTED], Business owner Northern Michigan

From: Kitty [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 10:47 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Pipeline Concerns - Shut Down Line 5

Dear Attorney General Schuette,

I'm writing to you today to ask for your consideration on a very dangerous topic threatening our Great Lakes - the presence of overburdened oil pipelines underneath the Mackinac Bridge. I knew that there were oil pipelines across the state (such as the one in Marshall that ruptured and caused so much damage to the Kalamazoo River), but until quite recently, I had not known that there was a pipeline underwater in the Straits of Mackinac. This pipeline is over 60 years old; it has not been properly maintained, and recently flow capacity has been added without Enbridge conducting any additional safety or capacity measures. The NWF in Michigan did a dive on the site to view the pipeline, and found broken supports, areas where the pipeline is literally sticking out from the lake floor, and portion where it is covered in debris. You can view this footage for yourself at: <http://ecowatch.com/2013/10/15/footage-of-tar-sands-pipelines-beneath-great-lakes/>.

The potential damage that could occur if this pipeline were to break is unfathomable - thousands of gallons of oil, including thick tar sands bitumen, could pour into the precious freshwater, destroying fisheries, beaches, water wells for drinking, and throwing our entire (already fragile) economy into peril. The NWF is asking supporters to push Enbridge to file the proper inspection paperwork with the EPA and reduce the capacity of the pipeline back to its original levels. I do not think this is enough to mitigate the threat to our Lakes. Enbridge MUST shut down these pipelines, and remove them from our land. Especially after the debacle that was the "clean-up" of the Kalamazoo River spill, our citizens, our towns and our economy cannot possibly withstand another catastrophic spill. The only way to completely and totally ensure that such a disaster does not occur in our waters is to force Enbridge to remove the threat itself - and remove the pipeline.

I know that this is a tall order; that the energy lobby in Michigan is strong, and that Enbridge has many deep-pocketed friends and supporters on both sides of the Lakes. But we simply cannot play Russian Roulette with our most vital asset. Michigan must be the responsible steward of the Great Lakes: we must protect these vital resources, push our neighbors in both the USA and Canada to remove such threats to the water, and through our efforts, conserve both our land and our economy.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

Kitty [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 10:44 AM
To: MIpipelinetaaskforce
Subject: Elkridge Line 5

I ask the Task Force to consider closing Enbridge Line 5 which runs through The Straits of Mackinac. It is an old line and needs to be replaced before it can develop a leak and produce untold damage to our beautiful Great Lakes.

From: Laura [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 10:53 AM
To: MIpipelinetaaskforce
Subject: Line 5

Dear Sir,

As a Michigan resident for the past 68 years, I urge you to protect our public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Sincerely,
Laura [REDACTED]

From: Patricia [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 11:07 AM
To: MIpipelinetaaskforce
Subject: Line 5

Please Please we all need to be aware of the damage that OLD pipe line can do.
Do whatever you can to stop a disaster from occurring.

Pat [REDACTED]

From: Matt [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 9:52 AM
To: Michigan Attorney General
Subject: Enbridge's Line 5 needs to be shut down!

Attorney General Schuette,

As a constituent, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

In years past, Michigan citizens rallied to keep oil drilling out of the Great Lakes and we made it happen. Don't stop that progress. Under the Straits of Mackinac, Enbridge's Line 5 aging oil and gas pipeline is one leak away from devastating our Great Lakes. The entire world saw what BP did to the Gulf. I don't want Michigan making international bad news.

The Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force (MPPTF) will decide this spring what to do about Line 5 and as co-chair of the task force you need to make it clear that the only option is shutting Line 5 down.

Michigan is literally defined by the Great Lakes. One in five jobs is dependent upon their health. They provide drinking water for roughly 35 million people. The currents in the Straits of Mackinac are extremely strong, and every ten days the currents switch direction. If an oil spill were to occur in the Straits the currents would spread the oil quickly making clean-up efforts incredibly difficult. Our Lakes aren't worth the risk.

Our Lakes, our health and our environment are depending on you. Make the right choice, shut down Line 5!

Sincerely,
Matt [REDACTED]

From: Cyndi [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 11:12 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Pipeline through the Straits of Mackinaw

Michigan Pipeline Taskforce,

Please shut down the aging pipeline that passes under the Straits of Mackinaw and through the northern Lower Peninsula of Michigan. The pipeline was designed over 50 years ago to transport crude oil. It is now being used to transport super viscous crude that originated from tar sands in Canada. If the pipeline leaks, millions of gallons of oil would pollute the waters of the Great Lakes. If it leaks as it passes through Cheboygan County, where I live, it would pollute bird nesting and fish habitat of the Indian River and Mullet Lake. If leaks were to occur in the winter when the bodies of water are covered with ice, it would be difficult to detect leaks and it would be impossible to undergo any clean-up efforts.

It is imperative that these actions be taken soon. It is impossible to know when catastrophic leaks may occur.

Thank you, Cynthia [REDACTED]

From: Nancy [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 11:13 AM
To: MIpipelinetaaskforce
Cc: Kristalyn [REDACTED]
Subject: pipeline under the straits of Macin

As a resident of the state of Michigan, I urge you to shut down line 5 which is under the Straits of Mackinac. We must do all we can to protect the **GREAT LAKES** and promote public health for all the citizens of the **GREAT LAKES** States. The **GREAT LAKES** provide drinking water for over 35 million people and one in five jobs are dependent on the **GREAT LAKES**. Having grown up in Chicago, I realize how important drinking water is since we obtained all our water from Lake Michigan.

If line 5 springs a leak, the water in the Straits of Mackinac would be put in peril. The currents in the straits are strong and therefore if an oil spill occurs, currents will spread the oil quickly and clean efforts would be almost impossible. We should not risk the health of the **GREAT LAKES** . for monetary reasons.

KEEP THE OIL OUT OF THE GREAT LAKES. CLOSE LINE 5!!!!

From: Shirley [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 11:13 AM
To: MIpipelinetaaskforce
Subject: Shut Down Line 5

Dear Attorney General Schuette,

Please protect our public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinaw.
Thank you,
Shirley [REDACTED]

From: John [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 11:17 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

John Cowman and family here. Life long MI resident and retired public servant. Many things about my beloved state of MI are dear to me but on top of the list is our treasured fresh water lakes that border our state. I am contacting you in regards to my awareness of the line 5 issues that put our precious waters at risk. I strongly urge that this idea/plan be set aside. This is not a viable option from my perspective it makes absolutely NO sense to gamble with our clean water resources I will be further investigating this and following it closely. And will continue to be a voice of reason please keep me abreast of your committee's actions. I hope you will listen to the environmental experts rather than private interest and associates profiteers Look forward to hearing from you as well as continuing to enjoy the clean and beautiful resources that are wonderful "pure michigan" has to offer
Sincerely
John J [REDACTED]

From: Kate [REDACTED] [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 11:41 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Please Shut Down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac

Attn: Attorney General Bill Schuette, Co-Chair of Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force

Dear Mr. Schuette:

It is time to shut down line 5 pipeline. Enbridge's Line 5 aging oil and gas pipeline is one leak way from devastating our Great Lakes.

As a constituent, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Sincerely,
Kathleen E. [REDACTED]

From: Ronald [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 11:58 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Shut down Enbridge Line 5

Attn: Attorney General Bill Schuette, Co-Chair of Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force

Dear Mr. Schuette:

It is time to shut down line 5 pipeline. Enbridge's Line 5 aging oil and gas pipeline is one leak way from devastating our Great Lakes.

As a constituent, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Sincerely,

Ron and Marjorie [REDACTED]

Every hour, the sun shines enough energy on our tiny planet to satisfy our needs around the globe for a year.
Let's leave the fossil fuels in the ground and capture that green energy.

From: Jean [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 11:59 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Pipeline

Please protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down the aging pipeline under the Straits of Mackinac. A leak in the pipeline would contaminate the drinking water of 40 million people who live downstream from this pipeline. We cannot afford a repeat of the accident in Kalamazoo which Enbridge assured us could not happen but somehow did.

Jean [REDACTED]

From: John [REDACTED] or Cristi [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 12:00 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Shuting Down Pipeline 5

Dear Attorney General Schuette,

As a constituent, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the straits of Mackinac. Huge areas of our nation are in drought and desparately need pure drinking water. The Great Lakes are the largest fresh and purest water source for this and need protection. Millions of people would be at risk otherwise.

Cristi [REDACTED]

From: Rick [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 12:04 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Cc: Rick [REDACTED]
Subject: Line 5 under the Mackinac Straits

Atty General Schuette and other members of the Taskforce,

I am writing to urge you to shut down Enbridge's Line 5 that runs through our beautiful waters....waters that are becoming more precious by the day as we see droughts hitting large parts of our nation. I live in Battle Creek, MI and have seen the damage that pipeline spills can do, especially tar sands lines. The clean up has been going on for years now and will never fully be completed. And that is in the relatively still waters of the Kalamazoo River. When I consider what a similar or worse spill would mean in the strong currents of the Straits, I am struck with fear for what it would mean for our State and our Nation. This pipeline is decades old, and underwater photos have already shown it deteriorating. Why would we endanger our waters so that Canada's Enbridge could continue to accrue profits while we accept the risks.

The voters of Michigan will be watching. I am following the matter carefully. This pipeline should be shut down immediately. Protect our precious water, our resources, our tourism industry, our future. Please consider what a spill will mean. Do the right thing. I look forward to hearing the results of your May 4 meeting.

Sincerely,
Richard B. [REDACTED]

From: Sue [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 12:36 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

I am truly concerned about the aging pipeline that runs beneath the Straits of Mackinaw. It is my understanding that the plan is to increase the movement of product through the pipeline without upgrading the pipeline which has aged over time and heavy use. A leak or break in the pipeline would be catastrophic to our area wildlife and natural beauty. Please require the pipeline to be improved/upgraded as it is continued to be used to transport product through the straits and the state.

Sue [REDACTED]

From: Lynn [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 12:43 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Pipeline 5

Dear Attorney General Bill Schuette,

As a constituent, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.
We love the upper peninsula and the state of Michigan.
Please protect it!!!

Thank you!
Sincerely,
Lynn [REDACTED]

From: Rita [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 1:01 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5 Pipeline at Straits of Mackinac

Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force Members:

As a lifelong resident of Michigan, I identify the Great Lakes as a primary resource for water, health, recreation, and living space for wildlife. The lakes provide the basis for what we have called more recently, "Pure Michigan", an approach used to encourage people to enjoy the wonderful nature supported by the fresh water of the Great Lakes.

Only in the last two years have I become aware of the oil pipeline that is located beneath the Straits of Mackinac. The pipeline has been in that location since I was two years old has now been designated to carry tar sands oil from Canada through both peninsulas of Michigan, underneath the Straits. A pipeline of that age has to have weak points that will result in risks of leakage in an area with complex currents and weather conditions. The area is important to people and wildlife, and to the economic health of our state.

You are studying the issues. You know by now that the waters of the Straits of Mackinac are complicated. You know that the tar sands oil is more caustic, more viscous, and requires more pressure to make it flow. You know that the pipeline is located in a place that has high risks to damage the entire water system of the Great Lakes below Lake Superior.

Stop the flow through Line 5. We cannot afford an oil leak disaster that would exceed the problems that we experienced after the effects of the pipeline leak that remains unabated in the Kalamazoo River.

We cannot afford for Michigan to become a toxic swamp. Do the work needed to stop the pipeline, and encourage use of clean, renewable energy, before it is too late.

Sincerely,
Rita [REDACTED]

From: Lin [REDACTED] [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 1:06 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Shut down line 5 under Straits of Mackinac

"As a constituent, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac."

Linda [REDACTED]

From: Sondra [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 1:25 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Enbridge Line #5

Dear Pipeline Taskforce Members,

I am writing to ask that you shut down Enbridge's Line 5 that runs beneath the Straits of Mackinac. As a resident of the state of Michigan and someone who travels to northern Michigan on a regular basis, I have a vested interest in the health of Michigan's environment and the health of my fellow citizens.

The Enbridge pipeline (Line 5) located under the Straits of Mackinac is aging and could rupture or even spring a leak at any time. Given Enbridge's record of maintenance and upkeep of its pipelines, I don't trust the odds. Poisoning the main source of drinking water for roughly 35 million people, not to mention the environmental disaster a leak or rupture of Line 5 would cause is not worth the gamble.

Please shut down Enbridge's Line 5 and continue to promote "Pure Michigan" in good faith.

Thank you.
Sondra

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 1:38 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Message for Attorney General Schuette

Hello Mr. Schuette,

As a constituent who has enjoyed the beaches of Lake Michigan my whole life, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes by shutting down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Thank you in advance for doing the right thing.

-Susan [REDACTED]

From: Linda [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 2:24 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: line 5

Hello,

I am a constituent of yours.

It's time to protect our Great Lakes!

Please see that line 5 under the Straits of Mackinaw is shut down.

Thank you,
Linda [REDACTED]

From: Peg [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 2:25 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: LINE 5

Please shut down LINE 5 and replace all of the other old lines under the Straits of Mackinac. Our Great Lakes and public health depend on your action today!

Margaret [REDACTED]

From: Mary [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 2:43 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Please prevent future harm to the Great Lakes

To the members of the task force to study the issue of Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac <

Those of us who live near the straits see this fast moving artery of the Great Lakes in all its magnificence. WE see what's at stake with Line 5 below taking extra stress with the increased flow of oil that was allowed to go through. Please do the right thing and require Enbridge to shut it down before the shear physics of age on the old pipeline cause a break. You will be part of the greatest protection of this global gem of fresh water and all that are supported by it. Please, please shut down Line 5. If and when a disaster happens one would look back and wonder what Michigan was thinking letting this get so old and not acting on behalf of our Lake its ecosystem. If we don't do it nobody else will, it's our call.

Mary [REDACTED]

From: D. James [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 2:46 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Enbridge Pipeline under the Straits

I'm one constituent that would love to see that vintage 1960's pipeline shut-down until it has been fully examined and upgraded throughout its whole length.

Thank you.
Jim Heaton

Given what we know...seems unacceptable:

- "16% of Americans say they recycle only because it's required by law."
- "29% of Americans throw recyclables out with trash often or every time."
- - - Cons. Rpts.: v. 80(5): 13; May 2015. <http://www.consumerreports.org/cro/magazine/2015/05/index.htm>

From: SOS [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 2:52 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Close pipeline #5 under Mackinaw

Dear Attorney General , Please close the pipe line under the Mackinaw Straits. It is a threat to the Great Lakes.
Sincerely, Silva [redacted] Ann Arbor, Michigan.

From: Margo [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 3:01 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

Dear Reader:

I am writing to urge the task force to recommend shutting down line 5 under the Straights of Mackinaw. The Great Lakes are a unique and extremely valuable resource. We have a responsibility to protect them, thereby protecting all of those who rely upon this bounty of freshwater. We can no longer make shortsighted decisions. The risk of a leak into the Great Lakes is too great.

Thank you for paying attention to my concerns.

Sincerely,
Margo [redacted]

From: Sally [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 3:48 PM
To: MIpipelinetaforce
Subject: Waiting for a spill

Dear task force @nd specifically Attorney General Schuette,
I am a kayaker of Lake Mi, Lake Huron and Lake Superior. These are fragile ecosystems. And my vested interest is I love them. Please don't throw this freshwater system away with old vulnerable pipelines. Don't leave this for our legacy. Please get rid of pipeline 5.
Thank you, Sally [REDACTED] and you might know me as Sally [REDACTED]

From: Lillian M [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 3:51 PM
To: MIpipelinetaforce
Subject: Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac

Dear Attorney General Schuette,

Please protect our Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Thank you for your consideration and have a great day.

Dan and Lillian [REDACTED]
Leland

From: Mike [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 5:06 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

My name is Mike Tiedeck. I live in Emmet County, Readmond Township. I am writing today to express my concern over Line 5 under the straits of Mackinac.

This pipeline is almost as old as me(64). It cannot be examined easily due to its location. The company responsible for the pipeline(Enbridge) has shown that it cannot respond quickly to a leak as witnessed in the Kalamazoo river spill. The company is not American and need not care what our citizens think beyond what our politicians do to make the company respond.

The Coast Guard is on record that it doesn't have the ability to respond appropriately to a spill or pipeline breach in the Straits. The Straits are still frozen and have been for 3 months making any repair extremely difficult. The Straits are economically important for its fishery, tourism and environmental attributes to Michigan.

These reasons, and there are more, are good enough to shut Line 5 down until a reasonable, land based pipeline can be built. In lieu of that decision, no abrasive tar sand bitumen should be allowed to flow through Line 5. No increase in flowage should be allowed at this time as well.

Michigan doesn't need tar sand oil due to Fracking in the US, and it certainly doesn't need an oil spill in the jewel of the Great Lakes. Thank you, MICHAEL [REDACTED]

From: Rita [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 11:06 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Fwd: Celebrate spring Pure Michigan style

Dear Pipeline Taskforce Members,

Please preserve Pure Michigan, and shut down the Line 5 pipeline, so that our beautiful beaches will remain unoiled, and our water wildlife can swim in pure, fresh water.

Sincerely,
Rita [REDACTED]
Ann Arbor, MI

From: Lynn [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2015 9:19 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Attn: Attorney General Bill Schuette, Co-Chair of MI Petroleum Pipeline Task Force
Dear Mr. Schuette:

It is time to shut down line 5 pipeline. Enbridge's Line 5 aging oil and gas pipeline is one leak way from devastating our Great Lakes. It was not designed to carry the oil it is currently expected to carry and another leak by Enbridge will be disastrous and is unacceptable.

As a constituent, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Sincerely,
Lynn [REDACTED]

From: Lorri [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2015 11:38 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Pipeline 5 under Mackinaw Straits

To Attorney General Schuette:

I am calling on you to shut down the aging pipeline that endangers our precious Great Lakes. We cannot afford a spill such as the BP spill in the Gulf of Mexico. Michigan relies on tourism as one of our most valuable assets.

Thank you,
Reverend Lorri [REDACTED]

From: Jane [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2015 11:37 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Concerns to the pipeline task force

Dear Attorney General Schuette,

As your constituent from the Upper Peninsula, I would like to urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and down down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac. We know how important the Great Lakes are to the citizens of this "Pure Michigan" state.

Thank you for your attention.
Jane [REDACTED]

From: Pamela [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2015 12:00 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Shut down pipeline 5

In order to protect the safety of all the citizens the 63 yr old pipeline #5 underneath the Mackinaw Straights must be shut down.

Pamela [REDACTED]

From: Trudi [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2015 1:07 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Protect the Great Lakes!

I beg you to do all you can to keep our Great Lakes clean and pure.

Sincerely,

Trudi [REDACTED]

From: James [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2015 1:19 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

As a Michigan family we want Line 5 under the Straits Of Macinac to be shut down for the safety of the public and the Great Lakes. Thank you

From: Tresa [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2015 1:32 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line #5

As a constituent, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Thank You

Tom [REDACTED]

From: Bridget [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2015 1:49 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac

To members of The Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force:

Please protect the public health and the Great Lakes by shutting down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Sincerely,
Bridget [REDACTED]

From: Pete/Carol [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 6:19 AM
To: Michigan Attorney General
Subject: Great Lakes

We are already known nationally for the devastation of the Enbridge oil spill in the Kalamazoo River. Please, take care of Line 5 under the Straits before an accident or spill ruins the Great Lakes. Thank you.

Carol [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 12:13 PM
To: Michigan Attorney General
Subject: Enbridge Pipeline 5

Mr. Schuette,

Michigan has had enough problems with Enbridge pipelines. Please help prevent an oil spill in the Straits of Mackinac by shutting down pipeline 5.

Thank you.
B. Dehut
[REDACTED]

From: Ron N. [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2015 2:32 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5 Pipeline

Dear Mr. Schuette,

Please do whatever you can to shutdown the Line 5 pipeline. As I'm sure you know MI is known for its Great Lakes, there is no larger concentration of fresh water in the world, and most likely not even the entirety the universe. Lots of folks jobs and even mores drinking water depends on the health of the Great Lakes system.

With water becoming an evermore scarce commodity we cannot afford to contaminate even a drop of our fresh water. Look at how many people in Toledo and the surrounding areas who were without water last year just due to one algae bloom. I believe the number was in the thousands. And not so many years ago there was the oil spill in Kalamazoo that also left hundreds without water, I believe it is on record as one of the worst inland oil spills in U.S history.

We do not need fossil fuel WE NEED to invest in our Solar and Wind energy future so that our children may enjoy the same Quality of Michigan we have come to respect and love throughout our years.

There are also regions of the world where people are fighting daily over nothing but water, it is the most basic need for human life and survival, please, please help to shutdown the pipeline so the Lakes do not become further or irreversibly polluted.

If we are to remain Pure Michigan, first and foremost should be the purity of our water supply. Thanks for your time.

-Ronald N.

From: Melissa [REDACTED] [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 2:46 PM
To: Michigan Attorney General
Subject: Protection for the Great Lakes

Mr. Schuette,

As a constituent and a lover of our great lakes, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac. This pipeline is unsafe and one leak away from contaminating our lakes. Michigan is literally defined by the Great Lakes. One in five jobs is dependent upon their health. They provide drinking water for roughly 35 million people. As research shows, if Line 5 were to spring a leak, even a small one, all of this would be put in peril. Please do the right thing and shut this pipeline down.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration!

Sincerely,
Melissa [REDACTED]

From: Karen [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 12:25 PM
To: Michigan Attorney General
Subject: Pipe Line 5

Close Down pipe line 5. Cheaper to prevent a disaster than to clean one up! Don't destroy our beautiful Great Lakes!

From: [REDACTED] [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2015 8:30 AM
To: MIpipelinetaaskforce
Subject:

Attorney General Schuette

As a constituent, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

I personally think that a review of such an old pipeline is important and necessary to the health and well being of our state and the surrounding lands that make up the great lakes region. As a resident of Michigan I feel a special connection to the great lakes and a duty to insure its preservation for posterity. Though I do not have all the facts on the pipeline it would seem to me that this particular one, now 62 years old and in a sensitive environment, should be decommissioned.

As Michiganders we carry the largest portion of responsibility to take care of our great lakes and should take actions to reflect that fact.

Andrew [REDACTED]
Northville, MI

From: Mike [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2015 8:23 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Tax Canadian oil

The oil that runs under the Straits of Mackinac runs from Canada to Canada through Michigan. I say keep the oil in Canada, or Michigan tax it by the gallon big-time, to pay for future oil clean-ups in Michigan. The size of that tax would be so much, that the Canadians would keep the oil in Canada.

From: Mike [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2015 8:40 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Tax foreign oil running through Michigan

The oil that runs under the Straits of Mackinac runs from Canada to Canada through Michigan. I say, keep the oil in Canada, or Michigan tax it by the gallon, big-time, to pay for future oil clean-ups in Michigan. The size of that tax would be so much, that the Canadians would keep the oil in Canada.

Mike [REDACTED]
Bois Blanc Island, Straits of Mackinac, Michigan

From: Kim [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2015 11:11 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Cc: michiganpipelinetaskforce@michigan.gov
Subject: Remove Enbridge pipeline

To whom it may concern,
My family and myself, strongly urge you to do everything possible to remove the Enbridge Pipeline crossing the Straits of Mackinac. We are petrified of the economic, health, social and human rights ramifications that would arise if there was a leak into the Great Lakes. We live on the lakes and have property on the GreatLakes.

It is already a great social and scientific concern about how to provide this planet with fresh water. How is it then, we can so carelessly in Michigan, have any sort of pipeline that transports hazardous contents through this precious resource???? Fresh water is already a more expensive commodity than oil and gas. How can we justify such a bone-headed unsafe, pipeline. Please do what ever is necessary to get rid of it. Thank you.
Most sincerely,

Kim [REDACTED]

From: Trisha [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2015 10:37 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

Greetings

My husband and I are not opposed to pipelines; we all know that they can be safer and more efficient than other means of transport, but to have a 50 year old pipeline under the straits of Mackinac and running along beautiful and tourist-attraction bodies of water like Mullet and Burt Lakes and Indian River is crazy. Kalamazoo waiting to happen again. The cleanup practice last September was a useful exercise, but imagine a break in winter! It has bad enough trying to coordinate "cleanup" in perfect weather. Imagine a break in a storm. Is this worth the risk?

Ideally reroute the pipeline or insist on a state of the art pipeline with multiple safeguards. Pumping crude tar sands oil through the current pipe is a recipe for disaster.

AND the state hopefully will continue to push the development of energy conservation measures as well as alternative energy sources.

thank you,

Dr and Mrs Philip [REDACTED]
Harbor Springs and Indian River, Michigan

From: Hart, Nancy (AG)
Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2015 2:25 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Comments on behalf of Kerry [REDACTED]

Please shut down Line 5. We do not want oil in the Mackinac Straits.

From: Ben [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Saturday, May 16, 2015 5:43 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

As a constituent, I urge you to protect public health and the Great Lakes and shut down Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac.

Sincerely,

Ben [REDACTED]

From: Kelly Thayer [mailto:kelly@greatprograms.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2015 9:11 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Oil spill in Santa Barbara County may have released up to 105,000 gallons

This is a small glimpse of what we're trying to avoid with Enbridge's Line 5 oil pipelines in the Straits of Mackinac:

Oil spill in Santa Barbara County may have released up to 105,000 gallons



- Ruptured pipeline leaks estimated 21,000 gallons of oil on Santa Barbara County coast
- Oil spill off Santa Barbara County coast covers 9 miles, officials say; up to 105,000 may have been released
- Cleanup of Santa Barbara County oil spill includes ships, heavy equipment and crews on the beach

The operator of an underground pipeline that ruptured and released up to 105,000 gallons of crude oil in Santa Barbara County -- and tens of thousands of gallons into the ocean -- said Wednesday that the spill happened after a series of mechanical problems caused the line to be shut down.

<http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-pipeline-santa-barbara-coast-20150519-story.html#page=1>

Kelly Thayer

Oil & Water Don't Mix Campaign coordinator (via FLOW)

231-352-8122 or kelly@greatprograms.org

www.OilandWaterDontMix.org

From: Nancyemay [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, June 04, 2015 7:00 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

I live on Mackinac Island and am very concerned about line 5 crossing the Straits. A spill would be disastrous to the Island in particular as we would have to ALL evacuated. Our water supply would be shut off as soon as a spill occurred and the ferries would shut down in no time. We simply cannot ignore this risk. Please tell the Governor to veto bill 4540 and to shut down the line !

From: William [REDACTED] [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2015 6:06 PM
To: Michigan Attorney General
Subject: Line 5 and the Great Lakes

Dear Governor Synder;

Two 62-year old pipelines called Line 5 threaten the Great Lakes. Line 5 is owned by Enbridge, a Canadian energy company. It carries 23 million gallons of crude oil daily. It passes between the upper and lower peninsulas along the bottom of the Straits of Mackinac.

Oil and water don't mix and if Line 5 ruptures it would spill oil across the Great Lakes.

Please act now vote to replace or shut down Line 5

Thank you for your concern.

Marilyn [REDACTED]

From: Margaret [REDACTED] [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, June 19, 2015 2:24 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Line 5

To Whom it May Concern;

The 62 year old pipelines are unsafe. Shut Down Line 5 immediately, to protect our water.

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]

Sent: Monday, June 22, 2015 12:48 PM

To: MIpipelineTaskforce

Cc: Roger [REDACTED]; Janice [REDACTED]; Steve [REDACTED]; Marti [REDACTED]; Mike [REDACTED]; Doug [REDACTED]; Jay [REDACTED]; David [REDACTED]; Jim [REDACTED]; John [REDACTED]; Johnny [REDACTED]; Mike [REDACTED]; michael [REDACTED]; Tom; [REDACTED]; Chad [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]

Subject: Dangerously Rusty Metal

As a constituent I'm urging the state to shutdown line 5 under the Straits. We live on Lake Huron and are extremely concerned about the age of the line. A leak or rupture would be devastating to life as we know it in the Great Lakes region! As the largest source of freshwater in the U.S. It is too critical to continue the risk. Metal rusts and deteriorates in a the water!

We have a sailboat mooring in front of our house that is comprised of a concrete anchor, tow chain (US made) attached to the mooring buoy. In less than 10 years this heavy chain had rusted away and released the mooring buoy. How can Embridge continue to offer reassurances that a line carrying 23 million gallons of crude daily is safe at 62 years of age. They and their shareholders should step up and take the high road, by immediately beginning construction of a new line with new materials if they are really concerned with public safety and protection of our natural resources. In the interest of continued vital commerce and free enterprise, this seems a reasonable course of action.

Chris [REDACTED]

From: Barb [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]

Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2015 8:29 PM

To: MIpipelineTaskforce

Subject: Straits of Mackinaw Pipeline

I am extremely concerned over the aging pipeline in the Straits of Mackinaw. I have been crossing this glorious waterway all of my 62 years. I chose to live in Charlevoix for the wonderful Lake Michigan waters. I treasure our coastlines and fresh water. PLEASE take action before we become yet another horrible "headline disaster". PLEASE protect our most important and precious water resource.

Barbara [REDACTED]
Charlevoix, MI

From: Linda [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, July 03, 2015 7:49 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Please

Do ALLyou can do to make the pipeline safe and preserve our Lakes !!!!
Thank you, Linda [REDACTED]

From: Heidi [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, July 03, 2015 9:49 AM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: Concern re: aging pipeline

Dear Staff,
I am writing to add my voice to those concerned about the aging pipeline under the Straits of Mackinac. Preservation of our natural resources should remain a top priority. I support safeguarding our waters and land against potential leaks.
Thank you,
Heidi V [REDACTED], MD
Harbor Springs

From: sandi [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, July 03, 2015 12:54 PM
To: MIpipelinetaskforce
Subject: pipeline under the bridge

dear friends--
i am very concerned about the aging pipeline under the mackinaw bridge.
please do something about replacing it BEFORE something horrible happens
such as what happened in kalamazoo.
we are proud of our beautiful great lakes.
please keep a dangerous & deadly oil spill from happening again.
the damage to wildlife, beaches and tourism would be catastrophic if the
pipeline were to burst.
thank you for listening and i trust that something can & will be done soon.
sandi [REDACTED]
charlevoix, mi