

From: [Thomas TaylorBrown](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:14:57 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Thomas TaylorBrown
Lansing, Michigan, 48910, United States

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From: [Manu S-M](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:16:12 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Manu S-M
Algonac, Michigan, 48001, United States

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From: [Robert Thomasson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:17:06 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Robert Thomasson
Williamston, Michigan, 48895, United States

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From: [Suzanne Pellar](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:17:20 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Suzanne Pellar
Valparaiso, Indiana, 46385, United States

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From: [Ralph Tucher](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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From: Susan Hampel
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:17:40 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Susan Hampel
Eastsound, Washington, 98245, United States

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From: [Renee Russell](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Renee Russell
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: [Kelly King](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:17:59 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Kelly King
Denver, Colorado, 80209, United States

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From: [Michael Casler](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:18:05 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Michael Casler
Lansing, Michigan, 48906, United States

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From: [Mackenzie Adams](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Mackenzie Adams
Plymouth, Michigan, 48170, United States

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From: [Roger Webster](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Roger Webster

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From: [Michael Motta](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Michael Motta
Holland, Michigan, 49424, United States

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From: [Zoe Zeerip](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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From: [Norma Golden](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Norma Golden
Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49509, United States

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From: Mary Abbott
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
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Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:18:46 AM

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Mary Abbott
Sebastopol, California, 95472, United States

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From: [Mallory Dickinson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Mallory Dickinson
Mason, Michigan, 48854, United States

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Nashville, Michigan, 49073, United States

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From: [Mike Tiedeck](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Mike Tiedeck
Harbor Springs, Michigan, 49740, United States

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
John Hagen

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From: [Martin and Sharon McGladdery](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:18:58 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [lynda betzhold](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:18:59 AM

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From: [Greg Plunkett](#)
To: [LABA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:02 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Greg Plunkett
Washington, Michigan, 48095, United States

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From: [Alexander Shur](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:03 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Alexander Shur
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48104, United States

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From: [Merry Ossenheimer](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:03 AM

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Merry Ossenheimer

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From: [Charles Kotz](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:09 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Charles Kotz
Meridian charter Township, Michigan, 48864, United States

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From: [marc labar](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:17 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
marc labar
Cassopolis, Michigan, 49031, United States

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From: [Sandra Gray](#)
To: [IARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:24 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Sandra Gray
Howard City, Michigan, 49329, United States

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From: [Michael Loeffler](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:47 AM

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From: [Karin Pez](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:44 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Karin Pez
Clawson, Michigan, 48017, United States

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From: [Jo Kelly](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:42 AM

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Jo Kelly

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From: [Linda deaseer](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:37 AM

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From: [Thomas Yocum](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:33 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Thomas Yocum
Elk Rapids, Michigan, 49629, United States

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From: [Kellie Parks](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:47 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Kellie Parks
Traverse City, Michigan, 49685, United States

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From: [Jeff Spakowski](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:49 AM

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More personally, as we see the ongoing effects of #ClimateChange become more acute, we simply need to spend our \$ on renewable infrastructure, not literally dig in for more decades of fossil fuels. Please, reject Enbridge's application.

Yours sincerely,
Jeff Spakowski
Huntington Woods, Michigan, 48070, United States

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From: [Valerie Sweers](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:19:59 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Valerie Sweers

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From: Susan Liebetreu
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:04 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Susan Liebetreu
Bloomfield Township, Michigan, 48302, United States

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From: [Judith Gallagher](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:11 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Judith Gallagher
Beaver Island, Michigan, 49782, United States

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From: [Jared Boduch](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:13 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Jared Boduch

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From: [Denise Hosta](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:13 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Denise Hosta
Fort Myers, Florida, 33913, United States

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From: [Linda Smith](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:15 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Linda Smith
South Lyon, Michigan, 48178, United States

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From: [Lucie McNeil](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:50 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Lucie McNeil
Adrian, Michigan, 49221, United States

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From: [Aubrey Livingston](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:45 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Aubrey Livingston

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From: [herbert.hames](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:41 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
herbert hames
Grand Haven, Michigan, 49417, United States

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From: [Shirley Burga](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:32 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Shirley Burga
Gregory, Michigan, 48137, United States

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From: [Marge Chesney](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:26 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Protecting Lake Michigan from potential pollution is of the utmost importance.

Yours sincerely,
Marge Chesney
Empire, Michigan, 49630, United States

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From: [Theresa Reid](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:25 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Theresa Reid
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48104, United States

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From: [Gabbie Buendia](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 10:52:35 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Gabbie Buendia
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48104, United States

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From: [Linda Belote](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:51 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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STOP ENBRIDGE!
Yours sincerely,
Linda Belote
Hancock, Michigan, 49930, United States

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From: [Samantha Allen](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: RE: Case no. U-20763
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 5:08:28 PM

Dear Commissioners,

RE: Case no. U-20763

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Respectfully,

Sincerely,
Samantha Allen


Alma, MI 48801

From: [Nathan Murphy](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: RE: Case U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 9:36:24 AM

RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I respectfully ask that you reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling by the Michigan Public Service Commission that MPSC approval is not needed for their oil tunnel under the Straits of Mackinac. The scope of this project, and the possibilities for prudent and feasible alternatives demonstrate the need for MPSC oversight of the Enbridge oil tunnel project.

The original 1953 easement granted to Lakehead Pipeline Co., Enbridge's predecessor, was for two pipelines on the lakebed and not a tunnel under the Straits. The significance of the differences between the proposed tunnel and the existing pipelines warrants considering this as a new project despite Enbridge's assertions that it is not. These differences warrant MPSC oversight to protect Michiganders. Construction of this tunnel is not simply maintenance. The MPSC should evaluate the case closely and provide substantial opportunities for public engagement and comments as well as a contested case process.

I ask that you protect Michiganders and deny this request for a declaratory ruling and give us the chance to engage and be heard in this process before making your determinations.

Respectfully,

Nathan Murphy

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Nathan Murphy
State Director
Environment Michigan



From: [Vince Caruso](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Case No. U-20763; No Question Deny the Pipe Line in Our Fresh Water Great Lakes
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:56:39 AM

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MPSC: No Question, Deny the Pipe Line in Our Fresh Water Great Lakes

Michigan is now and hopefully forever will be the Saudi Araba of CLEAN FRESHWATER. What is that worth? Incalculable!

That is worth much more then the ' **Dead Fuel Walking called OIL**'.

Enbridge uses Michigan as a **short cut** from Canada to Canada.

Michigan has **great wind and solar potential** especially with new energy storage coming on board, like electric cars, flow batteries, pump storage and other very promising battery options.

In **generations** to come, they will look back and say '**What the heck were you thinking!**'

The Great Lakes is a wondrous Gift to the World! **DO NOT RISK POLLUTING THIS GIFT!**


To be Calus: the Great Lakes States **health and economies TOTALLY depend** on this freshwater not to be polluted.

Your **Kids and Grandkids forever** will remember your efforts, GOOD or BAD!

The **First Nation Native Americans protected the Great Lakes** we owe it to the next generations to do no less.

Thank You,

Vince Caruso

 Cr, Ann Arbor 48103, In the Great State of Michigan

Founding and Coordinating Member 30+ years - ACWG.ORG: Allen's Creek Watershed Group

Founding and Board Member 20+ years - CARD: Coalition for Action on Remediation of Dioxane

Former Board Member - [SCHVG: Sierra Club Huron Valley Group](#)

From: [Shannon Fischer](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Comment on Case#U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:22:25 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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Furthermore, we cannot forget how Enbridge has failed in the past. Take the Kalamazoo River Spill in 2010. I have family that live in that region and were greatly affected. Not only are my family and people dependent on the Great Lakes as a source of life, but so are many other Michigan residents. While I currently do not reside in Michigan, and am located in Pennsylvania, I still find it a great priority to ensure the safety of our people and water. Again I strongly urge you to reject their request.

Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Chi Miigwetch (Thank you),

Shannon M. Fischer, MS

From: [Joe Henne](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763 I also support the idea that public hearings should be heard at other venues which include Mack City, St Ignace, Petoskey, Cedarville, Nubinway, Cheyboygan etc....
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:53:15 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Joe Henne

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Yours sincerely,
Char Hoffman
Grawn, Michigan, 49637, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Chris Apap
Chicago, Illinois, 60625, United States

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Enbridge go back to the drawing board to try and prove Michigan needs their new pipeline and that it won't harm the environment.

Yours sincerely,
Peggy S. Collins
Southfield, Michigan, 48075, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Jill Korendyke
Kalamazoo, Michigan, 49004, United States

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,
Enbridge has been putting the environment at risk for way too long. It is time to shut down the pipeline NOW! The GreatLakes are in danger. We have seen what happens when oil gets into our lakes. It is a threat to our lives and livelihood.

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Yours sincerely,
Monica Dutmers

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

My family and I are proud Michiganders who live in Frankfort and frequently use and enjoy the Great Lakes, including at the Straits of Mackinac.

We oppose the continued operation of Enbridge's Line 5 pipeline and the proposed oil tunnel that both risk the Great Lakes and public bottomlands for the benefit of a Canadian company taking a shortcut through Michigan.

And we disagree with Enbridge's claim that they do not need MPSC permission for siting the tunnel.

Therefore, I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac.

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Yours sincerely,
Kelly Thayer
Frankfort, Michigan, 49635, United States

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S Sharp
Petoskey, Michigan, 49770, United States

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Cheboygan, Michigan, 49721, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Joseph Suarez
Canton, Michigan, 48188, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Perry Lewis
Big Rapids, Michigan, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Nicole Dambrun
White Lake charter Township, Michigan, 48386, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Michael & Joanne Cromley
Afton, Michigan, 49705, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Andrew Ramos

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Yours sincerely,
Tina Peterson
Boulder, Colorado, 80303, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Barbara Fitzpatrick
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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Yours sincerely,
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Byron Center, Michigan, 49315, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Richard Taylor
Temperance, Michigan, 48182, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Jim Kaufman

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Yours sincerely,
Gerald Keen
Presque Isle, Michigan, 49777, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Ryan Enderle
Clarkston, Michigan, 48346, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Kathy Matlinga
Cheboygan, Michigan, 49721, United States

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Judy Stone
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48104, United States

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Yours sincerely,
JESSE DIONNE
Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49505, United States

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RE: Case U-20763

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There is no reason not to have a complete study to check the safety and make sure the company would pledge the billions it would cost to restore the Great Lakes if there is a spill.

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Yours sincerely,
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Yours sincerely,
Debra Nedau
Rapid River, Michigan, 49878, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Morgan Barrie
Menomonie, Wisconsin, 54751, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Jordan Tallman
Commerce Charter Township, Michigan, 48390, United States

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I live on a lake that would be directly affected by a spill at the Straits.

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Yours sincerely,
LuAnne Kozma
Charlevoix, Michigan, 49720, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Linda Renn
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Nancy Johnson
Dearborn, Michigan, 48124, United States

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Caroline Sévilla
Fort Worth, Texas, 76106, États-Unis

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Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:42:37 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

Please reject Enbridge's latest attempt to circumvent the process vital to protecting Michigan's economic and environmental health. Line 5 is a ticking time bomb. Now more than ever it is important that the MPSC insist on compliance from Enbridge, a company with a history of failure and deception.

Yours sincerely,
Solomon Smith

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Yours sincerely,
Susan Sillars
Portage, Michigan, 49024, United States

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

STOP THIS PIPELINE & THIS TUNNEL, NOW!!! LISTEN TO THE CITIZENS OF MICHIGAN...we don't want the likely potential of an oil spill from this VERY OLD OUTDATED PIPELINE. ITS OWNED AND OPERATED BY A FOREIGN COMPANY WHO DOESN'T CARE ABOUT OUR MICHIGAN OR THE GREAT LAKES. WAKE UP AND DO WHAT IS RIGHT. Take responsibility for a clean safe EARTH. I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Yours sincerely,
angela.garcia-johnson

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Yours sincerely,
Rebecca Tippens

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Yours sincerely,
Jacky Smith

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Yours sincerely,
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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I am a proud Michigander and a particular point of pride is our Great Lakes. I am and have been very concerned about Enbridge's intent to build a tunnel under our lakes and urge you to insist that approval be received before anything further happens! I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Yours sincerely,
Ellen Burkhardt
Mount Clemens, Michigan, 48043, United States

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Charles Wilkins

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From: [Katherine Peters](#)
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RE: Case U-20763

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Katherine Peters

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From: [Mary Armstrong](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Mary Armstrong

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From: [judith_elzinga](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:40:30 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

This is obviously a new project despite Enbridge's claims to the contrary, and your role in reviewing this project is essential to protect the Michigan public by determining whether or not this project is in the public interest and whether or not there are prudent and feasible alternatives to the proposed oil tunnel that could meet Michigan's energy needs without the substantial risk involved. Impacts to the climate must now be taken into account with any new fossil fuel infrastructure. Twin oil pipelines sitting on the lakebed are substantially different than one oil pipeline in a subsurface tunnel. This cannot be considered maintenance, it is a substantial change in design and a new project that the MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review through robust public engagement and a contested case process.

Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
judith elzinga

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From: [Alicia Lundell](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:40:13 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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You can put lipstick on a pig but it's still a pig!

Yours sincerely,
Alicia Lundell

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From: [Karen Whitman](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:39:52 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Yours sincerely,
Karen Whitman
Dexter, Michigan, 48130, United States

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From: [John McCubbin](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:39:48 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
John McCubbin

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From: [Joseph Stroup](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:39:34 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
JOSEPH Stroup

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From: [Amy Packard](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:38:35 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Amy Packard
Big Rapids, Michigan, 49307, United States

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From: [Mike Passalacqua](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:38:34 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

With each passing connivance, manipulation, scheme, and subterfuge by Enbridge in their utterly dishonest campaign to legally circumvent the decommissioning of Line 5, something becomes clearer and clearer:

The relevant State of Michigan governing bodies overseeing the protection of our beautiful, precious and financially crucial environmental resources will sit on their hands, or fiddle, or shrug their shoulders as they let a run-out-the-clock process play out until the inevitable spill disaster happens and it's too late.

It doesn't have to be that way. The state doesn't have to repeat a Flint-water-crisis type of embarrassing tragedy. Michigan citizens don't have to hear the chorus of "we told you so" as they scan the toxic slick befouling a state jewel.

The inevitable can be undone -- and the first step is disapproving this preposterous claim by Enbridge. Please use your authority to do so, before you have to sit in the judgement of history.

Thank you,
Mike Passalacqua

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From: [Elaine Connors](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:38:25 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Yours sincerely,
Elaine Connors
Madison Heights, Michigan, 48071, United States

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From: Rachel Diem
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:38:20 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac.

The risks are too great, the potential costs are too high, and alternative, low-risk energy sources are available.

In addition, the 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Rachel Diem
Detroit, Michigan, 48219, United States

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From: [Jill Marcusse](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:37:16 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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From: [Sheila Bolz](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:36:40 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Sheila Bolz

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From: [Hannah Rees](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC:EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:36:29 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Hannah Rees
Lombard, Illinois, 60148, United States

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From: [Sherri Wiegman](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:36:05 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to REJECT Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel.

Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

This is obviously a new project DESPITE Enbridge's claims to the contrary, and your role in reviewing this project is essential to protect the Michigan public by determining whether or not this project is in the public interest and whether or not there are prudent and feasible alternatives to the proposed oil tunnel that could meet Michigan's energy needs without the substantial risk involved. Impacts to the climate must now be taken into account with any new fossil fuel infrastructure. Twin oil pipelines sitting on the lakebed are substantially different than one oil pipeline in a subsurface tunnel. This cannot be considered maintenance, it is a substantial change in design and a new project that the MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review through robust public engagement and a contested case process.

Please, do the right thing and actually protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Sherri Wiegman
Cheboygan, Michigan, 49721, United States

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From: [Juanita Butcher](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:36:00 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Juanita Butcher

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From: [Janet Kahan](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:35:45 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

MPSC is the regulator keeping Michigan safe in this situation. I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Janet Kahan
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48103, United States

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From: [Pamela Thomas](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:35:41 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

Please reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling to avoid MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel below the Straits of Mackinac. The prior easement granted in 1953 to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., allowed twin pipelines on the lakebed but did not consider a subsurface tunnel. There is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

This is obviously a new project despite Enbridge's claims to the contrary, and your role in reviewing this project is essential to protect the Michigan public by determining whether or not this project is in the public interest and whether or not there are prudent and feasible alternatives to the proposed oil tunnel that could meet Michigan's energy needs without the substantial risk involved. Twin oil pipelines sitting on the lakebed are substantially different than one oil pipeline in a subsurface tunnel. This cannot be considered maintenance, it is a substantial change in design and a new project that the MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review through robust public engagement and a contested case process.

Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve and defend the rare and precious ecosystem of Lakes Michigan and Huron by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Sincerely,
Pamela Thomas

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From: Mary Campbell
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:35:28 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Mary Campbell
Honor, Michigan, 49640, United States

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From: [Christine Sammel](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:35:09 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I have two homes - one in Pentwater, Michigan and one in Evanston, Illinois. Both are in communities on Lake Michigan.

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac.

First, as you are aware, there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan.

Second, this is obviously a new project and your role in reviewing this project is essential to protect the Michigan public.

Twin oil pipelines sitting on the lakebed are substantially different than one oil pipeline in a subsurface tunnel. This is a substantial change in design and a new project that the MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review.

Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling. Ensure that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Christine Sammel
Evanston, Illinois, 60201, United States

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From: James Lamb
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:35:00 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:35:00 AM

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Antonia Nelson
Green Bay, Wisconsin, 54311, United States

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From: Jay Broski
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:34:59 AM

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I would ask you to consider why a pipeline that originates and ends in Canada and is owned by a Canadian company needs, after nearly seventy years, to run through the United States, especially under the Straits of Mackinac.

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Jay Broski

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From: [James Hallock](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:34:56 AM

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Yours sincerely,
James Hallock
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48103, United States

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From: [doug.krause](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:34:37 AM

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From: Terry Deegan
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:34:31 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Terry Deegan

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From: [Marla Fisher](#)
To: [IARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:34:06 AM

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From: [Eric Erl](#)
To: [LARA/MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:33:51 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Eric Erl
Villa Grove, Illinois, 61956, United States

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From: Sharon Monod
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:33:49 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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The existence of an oil pipeline under the huge freshwater source composed of Lakes Michigan, Huron, Erie and Ontario should be prohibited. Period. (I may be mistaken in assuming the Lake Superior would not be included in a disaster.)

There are leaks from pipes on a regular basis. How would one deal with a leak in the proposed tunnel?

We need to transition away from fossil fuels. In the interim, other ways to transport crude and other fossil fuels need to be found that do not necessitate the building of more complicated infrastructures.

Yours sincerely,
Sharon Monod
Lansing, Michigan, 48910, United States

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From: [Frank Roder](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:33:38 AM

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Frank Roder
Grand Haven, Michigan, 49417, United States

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From: [Anne Laurance](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Anne Laurance

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From: [Pete Lesinski](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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NO OIL ANYTHING EVEN NEAR OUR WATER!

Yours sincerely,
Pete Lesinski
Fort Gratiot Township, Michigan, 48059, United States

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From: [Richard Adams](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC:EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Richard Adams
Traverse City, Michigan, 49696, United States

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From: [Frank Gonzales Jr.](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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From: [Brenda Krachenberg](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:33:12 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

While the message below is prewritten, I do hope that you will think long and hard, and maybe pray too about this issue. Is it legitimate? Is it bottom line about profits or misplaced trust in the invincibility of a pipeline, or is it something that will benefit the State of Michigan in the long term.
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Yours sincerely,
Brenda Krachenberg
Plymouth, Michigan, 48170, United States

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From: [Kevin Schappert](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Kevin Schappert

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From: [Anna Kormoelje](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:32:40 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
J Frawley

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From: [Steve Iverson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:32:22 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Steve Iverson
Newport Beach, California, 92660, United States

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From: [Peter Carrington](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:32:01 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

So many in positions of authority seem oblivious to the freshwater emergency facing our species and our planet. And here we are trying to decide to 'rubber stamp' a renewal for a petroleum pipeline that, in a worst case scenario, can obliterate 20% of the world's fresh water in a stroke! Are you kidding! Are you sleeping! HELLO!

Over 90% of the world's rivers are already dammed. Our aquifers are dropping at a rate unsustainable by years-- not centuries; not decades. Saudi Arabia destroyed their aquifers in less than 20 years. Now they are buying land in places like Arizona to drain them as well. Pepsi yesterday was handed permission to increase their draining of the west Michigan aquifer by 60%! HELLO!

If you approve this nightmare, when the crash comes, I promise someone will be posting your photos as the allies of death and drought. And boy will you deserve it. Although by then it will be too late to save it.

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Please at least offer token protection to the Michigan residents that you claim to serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Dr. Peter Carrington
Meridian charter Township, Michigan, 48840, United States

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From: [Cathy Hadden](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:31:56 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Cathy Hadden
Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, 48236, United States

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From: [Jim Becklund](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:31:31 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Jim Becklund

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From: [Mary Loesch](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:31:30 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Mary Loesch

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From: Jan Shillito
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:31:28 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Paulette Attie](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:31:17 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Paulette Attie

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From: [JoAnne Jarvis](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EROCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:31:15 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
JoAnne Jarvis

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From: [jeanne wilfort](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:31:09 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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The Great Lakes need to be protected at all costs. Please see that this project is stopped immediately.

Yours sincerely,
jeanne wilfort

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From: [Kenneth Winters](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:31:02 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Kenneth Winters

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From: [Denise Walker](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:30:29 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Denise Walker

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From: Janice Zychowicz
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:30:02 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Janice Zychowicz
Temperance, Michigan, 48182, United States

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From: [Rosalie Austin](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:29:52 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Rosalie Austin
Holland, Michigan, 49423, United States

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From: [Janice Rider](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:29:40 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Janice Rider

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From: [Matthew Mouch](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:29:29 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Matthew Mouch
Elmira, Michigan, 49730, United States

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From: [Ginger Cawood](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:29:07 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Ginger Cawood

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From: [Patricia Myles](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:28:58 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Please don't rubber stamp this request for Enbridge can't prove Michigan needs their new pipeline, esp. as how demand has tanked as did oil and gas prices, and that it won't harm the environment.

Yours sincerely,
Patricia Myles, Chippewas of Rama 1st Nation
Ypsilanti, Michigan, 48197, United States

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From: [B. Betzler](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:28:55 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
B Betzler

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From: [Roberta Noss](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Roberta Noss
McMillan, Michigan, 49853, United States

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From: [C. James Ringwald](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:28:51 AM

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The best predictor of the future is past behavior. The gas and oil industry has repeatedly violated past regulations which they wrote themselves; enough is enough, shut down the line before it erupts. There is nothing to indicate that this industry has made appropriate changes in their practices.

Yours sincerely,
C. Ringwald

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From: [Robert Bartell](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:28:43 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Robert Bartell
Big Rapids, Michigan, 49307, United States

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From: [Fred Swinehart](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:28:38 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Fred Swinehart
Midland, Michigan, 48640, United States

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From: [Dick Dragiewicz](#)
To: [LAGA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:28:32 AM

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Don't accept Enbridge's lies...look for facts that support denying their requests.

Yours sincerely,
Dick Dragiewicz
Northbrook, Illinois, 60062, United States

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From: [mike teepale](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:28:23 AM

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Yours sincerely,
mike teepale
Sterling Heights, Michigan, 48312, United States

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From: [Christina Kionka](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:27:57 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Christina Kionka

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From: [Audrey Flanders-Sundstrom](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Audrey Flanders-Sundstrom

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From: [Ronald Gay](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:27:50 AM

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From: [Nancy Meade](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Nancy Meade
Arcadia, Michigan, United States

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From: [Rick Dahlstrom](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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From: [Stephen C Brown](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Stephen C Brown

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From: [Margaret Slawson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:26:54 AM

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Please, no tunnel, no repairs, shut down link 5. Stop the risk of oil leaks into the great lakes. Thank you

Yours sincerely,
Margaret Slawson
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: [Matthew Cooley](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:26:52 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Matthew Cooley
Greenville, Ohio, 45331, United States

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From: [Karla Passalacqua](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:26:48 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Karla Passalacqua, Ph.D.

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From: [Jennifer Zinn](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:26:45 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Jennifer Zinn
Frankfort, Michigan, 49635, United States

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From: [Julia OConnor](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Julia OConnor
Williamston, Michigan, 48895, United States

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From: [gary chesdle](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:26:35 AM

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Yours sincerely,
gary chesdle
Suttons Bay, Michigan, 49682, United States

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From: [Greg Swanson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Greg Swanson
Northville, Michigan, 48167, United States

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From: [Ken Coon](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Ken Coon
Comstock Park, Michigan, 49321, United States

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From: [Jennifer Overton](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Jennifer Overton
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: [Linda Holsapple](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:25:52 AM

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Linda Holsapple

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From: Cheryl Kacan
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:25:45 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Cheryl Kacan
Birmingham, Michigan, 48009, United States

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From: [Laurie Monroe](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Laurie Monroe
Apopka, Florida, 32703, United States

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From: [Jackie Kerr](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Jackie Kerr
Flint, Michigan, 48504, United States

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Ken Spurbeck
Charlotte, Michigan, 48813, United States

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Thank you
Mark Muhich
Jackson MI

Yours sincerely,
Mark Muhich

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From: [Lynne Hendricks](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Lynne Hendricks
Holland, Michigan, 49424, United States

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Patricia Jernigan
Grosse Ile Township, Michigan, 48138, United States

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From: [Sharon Meader](#)
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Sharon Meader

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From: [Mary Blanchard](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Mary Blanchard
Holly, Michigan, 48442, United States

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From: [Therese Bastien](#)
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Therese Bastien
Milan, Michigan, 48160, United States

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From: [GARY SICH](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Please LET them build the tunnel, its a safer alternative to what is already in place, and helps to eliminate the additional 1000 trucks crossing the bridge daily which would result in damage to roads , heavy smog pollution., use of tens of thousands of gallons of fossil fuels per year, wear and tear on the roads, truck on car accidents, truck on animal deaths, pollution caused by oil changes, truck repairs. just to name a small fraction of what NOT building the tunnel will bring to the straights area. SO LET THEM BUILD THE TUNNEL.

Yours sincerely,
GARY SICH
Imlay City, Michigan, 48444, United States

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From: [Jason Moritz](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Jason Moritz

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From: [Michael Foley](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:24:03 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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Yours sincerely,
Michael Foley
Traverse City, Michigan, 49684, United States

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From: [Nancy Johnson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:24:00 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Nancy Johnson
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: Mary McGregor
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:23:50 AM

[REDACTED]

RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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From: [Robert Bailey](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:23:43 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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Yours sincerely,
Robert Bailey

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From: [Scott Ratell](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:23:40 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Scott Ratell
Bay City, Michigan, 48708, United States

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From: [Anna Bechtel](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:23:33 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Yours sincerely,
Anna Bechtel
Royal Oak, Michigan, 48067, United States

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From: [Mary Ellen Howard](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:23:17 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Yours sincerely,
Mary Ellen Howard

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From: [Yvonne Besyk](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:23:07 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

My comment is to ask you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling indicating that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Also, there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Yours sincerely,
Yvonne Besyk
Salem, Wisconsin, 53168, United States

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From: [c.petrick](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:23:06 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
c petrick
Beulah, Michigan, 49617, United States

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From: Rama K Paruchuri
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:22:50 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Rama Paruchuri

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From: [Heather Peyton](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:22:46 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

Please see this move for what it is. A shyster trick to get around regulations and the will of the people.

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Yours sincerely,
Heather Peyton
Traverse City, Michigan, 49684, United States

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From: [Karen Chadwick](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:22:43 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Sincerely,
Karen Chadwick

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From: [Susan Inman](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:21:40 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Susan Inman
Elk Rapids, Michigan, 49629, United States

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From: [Karl Schripsema](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:21:36 AM

[REDACTED]

RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Karl Schripsema
Fennville, Michigan, 49408, United States

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From: [Mart Williams](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:21:28 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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Yours sincerely,
Mart Williams

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From: [kerry Owens](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:20:54 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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Yours sincerely,
kerry Owens
Alpena, Michigan, 49707, United States

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From: [Mary Rouleau](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:56:37 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac.

Twin oil pipelines sitting on the lakebed are substantially different than one oil pipeline in a subsurface tunnel. This cannot be considered maintenance, it is a substantial change in design and a new project that the MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review through robust public engagement and a contested case process.

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Impacts to the climate must now be taken into account with any new fossil fuel infrastructure.

Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process BEFORE making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Rouleau

Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan, 48230, United States

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From: [Nancy-Laurel Pettersen](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: SHAMEFUL Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:31:01 AM

[REDACTED]

RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Nancy-Laurel Pettersen
Petoskey, Michigan, 49770, United States

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From: [Julie Medlin](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763 Please no tunnel.
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:17:01 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Julie Medlin

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From: [George Felton](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:58:42 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Rebecca Gale-Gonzalez](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:57:49 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Rebecca Gale-Gonzalez
Swartz Creek, Michigan, 48473, United States

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From: [Sybil Ortego](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:56:07 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Pamela Allard](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:56:06 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Pamela Allard
Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49505, United States

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From: [Pamela Billingham](#)
To: [IABA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:54:09 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Pamela Billingham
Sumner, Michigan, 48889, United States

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From: [Lorraine Coburn](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:53:57 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Lorraine Coburn

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From: [Ben Badalamente](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:53:38 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Ben Badalamente
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48105, United States

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From: [John Breithaupt](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:52:40 PM

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John Breithaupt
Petoskey, Michigan, 49770, United States

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From: [Richard Brown](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Richard Brown
Saline, Michigan, 48176, United States

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From: [Thomas Fidler](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:52:08 PM

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Thomas Fidler
Rochester, Michigan, 48307, United States

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From: [Brian Vanderwal](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:52:08 PM

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Brian Vanderwal

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From: [Mary Kreiter](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:51:41 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Mary Kreiter

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From: [Barbara Trombly](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:51:26 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

Please....don't let MPSC stand for Michigan Prostitution Service Commission, like so many other agencies have become. Enbridge does NOT care about our magnificent Great Lakes, environment or people. They have LONG PROVED that they put profits over people....ALL THE TIME!

One disaster, that there can be no returning from or EVER rectifying....is all that it takes to DESTROY our waters, land and poison the greatest fresh water and wildlife in the entire country.

Apologies from any of you, nor the crap Enbridge puts out to the public will EVER, EVER restore the damage.

PLEASE, PLEASE.....do NOT enable Enbridge. The thought of becoming their lobbyists for riches may be tempting.....but what price is conscience and morals? Disaster awaits.

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Please....serve the "Public" in the MPSC, NOT Enbridge.

We watch and await your doing the right thing, not the pocketbook thing.

Yours sincerely,
Barbara Trombly
Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, 48236, United States

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From: [Bette Donahue](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Bette Donahue
Traverse City, Michigan, 49684, United States

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From: [Daniel Magennis](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49544, United States

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From: [Tana Moore](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:49:53 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

Please reject Enbridge Energy's request for a ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the Straits of Mackinac. (This is Enbridge, those nice people who trashed the Kalamazoo River...) This is not maintenance; it is a new project. Enbridge misrepresents the 1953 easement, which had nothing to do with any subsurface tunnel. Also, back in 1953, an oil spill in the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered. Again, Kalamazoo River was an instructive experience...

The MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review this proposed project.

Please protect Michigan residents. Deny this request and ensure that we can be heard and fully engage in this process (including via pending lawsuit) before making your determinations in this case.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,
Tana Moore
Southfield, Michigan, 48075, United States

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From: [Jerome Alicki](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:49:32 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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This is obviously a new project despite Enbridge's claims to the contrary, and your role in reviewing this project is essential to protect the Michigan public by determining whether or not this project is in the public interest and whether or not there are prudent and feasible alternatives to the proposed oil tunnel that could meet Michigan's energy needs without the substantial risk involved. Impacts on the climate must now be taken into account with any new fossil fuel infrastructure. Twin oil pipelines sitting on the lakebed are substantially different than one oil pipeline in a subsurface tunnel. This cannot be considered maintenance, it is a substantial change in design and a new project that the MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review through robust public engagement and a contested case process.

Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Jerome Alicki
West Olive, Michigan, 49460, United States

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From: [NM Porter](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:48:06 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
NM Porter
Ypsilanti, Michigan, 48197, United States

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From: [Martin Schnur](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:47:41 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Martin Schnur
Comstock Park, Michigan, 49321, United States

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From: [g.clemson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-FDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:47:10 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners, Help humans move forward to a CLEAN energy future instead of staying mired in DIRTY MONEY AND POLITICS and MYOPIC PROFIT-TAKING ! All the clean alternatives already exist. They need your support.

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Yours sincerely,
g.clemson

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From: [Robert Vandervennet](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:47:01 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Robert Vandervennet

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From: [Asa Lane](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC:EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:46:51 PM

[REDACTED]

RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Asa Lane
Nashville, Tennessee, 37210, United States

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From: [Sally Barnhart](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:46:30 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [richard.smith](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:45:55 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
richard smith

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From: [JoAn Stikes](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:45:29 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
JoAn Stikes
Frankfort, Michigan, 49635, United States

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From: [James Mortimer](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:45:26 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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This is obviously a new project despite Enbridge's claims to the contrary. It is a total re-engineering of line through the Great Lakes. Your role in reviewing this project is essential to protect the Michigan public by determining whether or not this project is in the public interest and whether or not there are prudent and feasible alternatives to the proposed oil tunnel that could meet Michigan's energy needs without the substantial risk involved. Impacts on the climate must now be taken into account with any new fossil fuel infrastructure. Twin oil pipelines sitting on the lakebed are substantially different than one oil pipeline in a subsurface tunnel. This cannot be considered maintenance, it is a substantial change in design and a new project that the MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review through robust public engagement and a contested case process.

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Yours sincerely,
James Mortimer
Hale, Michigan, 48739, United States

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From: [Risa Bell](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:45:05 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Risa Bell
South Lyon, Michigan, 48178, United States

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From: [Sandra Cordes](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:45:01 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Sandra Cordes
Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, 53226, United States

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From: [Patricia Skifstad](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:44:59 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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Please deny this request.

Yours sincerely,
Patricia Skifstad
Manistee, Michigan, 49660, United States

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From: [Brenda Rusch](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:44:57 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Brenda Rusch

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From: [Carol Hoffman](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:44:50 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Carol Hoffman
Traverse City, Michigan, 49685, United States

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From: [Gregory Alexander](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:43:30 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Gregory Alexander
St. Clair Shores, Michigan, 48081, United States

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From: [Mary Thorwell](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:43:21 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Mary Thorwell
Manistee, Michigan, 49660, United States

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From: [James Gracy](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:42:20 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
James Gracy
Harbor Springs, Michigan, 49740, United States

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From: [Frank Vardik](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:42:19 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Amanda Wolter](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:41:38 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

As fellow Michiganders, I trust you have the welfare of all Michigan people, land, and waters in your best interest.

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Yours sincerely,
Amanda Wolter
Alanson, Michigan, 49706, United States

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From: Sally Schendel
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:41:09 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Sally Schendel

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From: Carol Noel
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:41:05 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

Are we not learning anything from the natural and physical catastrophes that are happening every day around the world? And according to science will only increase in numbers and strength! Why are we then knowingly asking for more devastation to happen to every living species who rely on fresh water? Especially when, in this case, we can control what happens!

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Yours sincerely,
Carol Noel

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From: [s.smith](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:40:06 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
s.smith
Angola, Indiana, 46703, United States

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From: [Carolyn Thompson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:39:56 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Carolyn Thompson

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From: [Matt Cory](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:39:55 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Matt Cory

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From: [Wm Williston](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:39:55 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Wm Williston
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: [Laura Kellett](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:39:31 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Laura Kellett
Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, 48236, United States

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From: [Tom Harrington](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:39:15 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Tom Harrington
Northville, Michigan, 48167, United States

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From: [Philip Oczkowski](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:39:13 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Philip Oczkowski
Holland, Michigan, 49423, United States

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From: [Sherri Vazales](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:39:05 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Sherri Vazales
Petoskey, Michigan, 49770, United States

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From: [Thomas Gerou](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:38:37 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Thomas Gerou
Canton, Michigan, 48187, United States

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From: [Martha Davidson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:38:35 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Martha Davidson
Bellaire, Michigan, 49615, United States

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From: [Bruce Jackson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:38:33 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Since the Great Lakes contain 20% of America's Fresh Water this concerns me way out here in California because of the negative impact that ANY pollution would cause to Agriculture and the people of the Mid West. These oil companies take their damaging the environment TOO LIGHTLY.

Yours sincerely,
Bruce Jackson

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From: [Barbara Remtschler](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:37:48 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Barbara Remtschler
Anaconda, Montana, 59711, United States

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From: [Glenn Jones](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:36:31 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Glenn Jones

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From: [Stephen Andersen](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:36:30 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Stephen Andersen

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From: [Kim Diment](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:35:58 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Kim Diment
Grayling, Michigan, 49738, United States

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From: [Glenn Jones](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:34:14 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Kirk Harder](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:34:02 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Kirk Harder
Durand, Michigan, 48429, United States

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From: [casee.maufield](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:33:52 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Kaye Oberhausen](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:32:23 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Kaye Oberhausen
Chicago, Illinois, United States

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From: [Carol Jacobsen](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:31:32 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Carol Jacobsen

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From: [Diane Herman](#)
To: [IARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:31:25 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Diane Herman
Benton Harbor, Michigan, 49022, United States

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From: Susan Olguin
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:31:12 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Susan Olguin
Saginaw, Michigan, 48603, United States

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From: [Emily Milner](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:30:49 PM

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Emily Milner

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From: [Sara VanHorn](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:30:38 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Sara VanHorn
Sparta, Michigan, 49345, United States

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From: [Tim Chambers](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:30:11 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Tim Chambers
Comstock Park, Michigan, 49321, United States

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From: [Janice Fraser](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:29:34 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Janice Fraser

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From: [Linda Koon](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:29:09 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Linda Koon
Sterling Heights, Michigan, 48314, United States

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From: [Donald Priest](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC:EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:28:25 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Donald Priest
Petoskey, Michigan, 49770, United States

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From: [Gatha Pierucki](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:27:54 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Gatha Pierucki
Burr Oak, Michigan, 49030, United States

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From: [Diane Rouse](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:27:49 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
dj rouse
Grayslake, Illinois, 60030, United States

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From: [Bill Ryan](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:27:45 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Bill Ryan
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: [Emily Rojo](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:27:42 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Emily Rojo
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19128, United States

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From: [Kenneth Olson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:27:40 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Kenneth Olson
Clinton Township, Michigan, 48038, United States

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From: [Karen Hewelt](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC:EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:27:37 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Karen Hewelt

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From: [Mary Pietrangelo](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:27:36 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Mary Pietrangelo

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From: [Laura Lambert](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:26:38 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Laura Lambert
North Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55109, United States

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From: [James Wright](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:26:19 PM

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Given the collapse of oil prices, it is clear new energy strategies will soon take shape. There is no imperative for any action.

Yours sincerely,
James Wright
South Haven, Michigan, 49090, United States

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From: [Gabe Stanziani](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:25:36 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Joy Smith](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:24:43 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I attended a Mackinac County meeting with Enbridge present about 10 years ago, and have followed this issue closely for a long time. Enbridge got an easement to build the pipeline to begin with... Furthermore, everyone in both peninsulas has other options than this pipeline. They are predatory, without question.

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Yours sincerely,
Joy Smith
Manistee, Michigan, 49660, United States

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From: [Patty Hersberger](#)
To: [IABA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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From: [Luke Kermode](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:23:41 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Luke Kermode
Maple City, Michigan, 49664, United States

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From: Mary Botsis
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:23:39 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Mary Botsis
Portage, Michigan, 49002, United States

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From: [Kathi Geukes](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:23:39 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Kathi Geukes

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From: Karen Joseph
To: LARA:MPSC:EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:23:21 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Karen Joseph

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From: [Brad Yocum](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:23:17 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Brad Yocum
Plainwell, Michigan, 49080, United States

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From: [Carol Rahbari](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Carol Rahbari
Ypsilanti, Michigan, 48197, United States

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From: [Steven Orr](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC:EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:22:19 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Steven Orr

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From: [Becky Monger](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:21:53 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Becky Monger

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From: [Shaun Hickey](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:21:52 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Shaun Hickey
Sterling Heights, Michigan, 48312, United States

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From: [Joseph Klimovitz](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:21:51 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Joseph Klimovitz

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From: [DAVID KASTELINE](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:20:36 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
DAVID KASTELINE
Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49504, United States

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From: [Scott Holtman](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:19:49 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Scott Holtman

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From: [Fran Hamilton](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:19:21 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac.

Water is life. There are countless problems around the globe because communities do not have enough clean water. The Great Lakes are a huge resource for clean water. An oil spill from the outdated Line 5 pipeline would be catastrophic in the Straits and all along it's route through Michigan. We should be doing all we can to protect the Great Lakes.

Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Fran Hamilton
Holland, Michigan, 49423, United States

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From: [Cindy Lou Poquette](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:19:08 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve, which includes all who live anywhere this pipeline traverses waterways (such as the spreads in Indian River, by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Cindy Poquette

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From: [Shelly Campbell](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:19:06 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Shelly Campbell
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: [Marly G](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:19:02 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Marly G

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From: [Mary Rogers](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:18:51 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Mary Rogers
Frankfort, Michigan, 49635, United States

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From: [Brendan Johnson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:18:41 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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Thank you for your time, and I hope you can have a good day!

Yours sincerely,
Brendan Johnson
Essexville, Michigan, 48732, United States

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From: [John McMillan](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:18:31 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
John McMillan
Mackinaw City, Michigan, 49701, United States

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From: Karen & Ken Milto
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:18:16 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

Michigan's Great Lakes are the largest body of fresh water on the PLANET! It is irreplaceable! So let's be smart about the care of these waters! They provide water not only for Michigan residents but other states also! We can not allow a for profit company to dictate building and running pipelines under these priceless natural wonders!! Just say NO,NO, NO and mean it! Stop the flow of oil altogether beneath these precious waters. They are our LIFELINE and are not for their pipeline! Please be SMART and say NO!

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Yours sincerely,
Karen & Ken Milto
Lapeer, Michigan, 48446, United States

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From: [Laurel Hill](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:17:23 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Laurel Hill

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From: [Diane Wickliff](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:16:59 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Diane Wickliff
Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49546, United States

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From: [Sara Culver](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:16:30 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Sara Culver

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From: Patricia Scully
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:16:02 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Patricia Scully

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From: [Ann Katchke](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:15:11 PM

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From: [Donald A. Price](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:14:55 PM

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Donald A. Price
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48103, United States

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From: [Norma Bailey](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:14:25 PM

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From: [lynne lasser](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:13:58 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Thomas Rea](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:13:37 PM

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Thomas Rea
Edwardsburg, Michigan, 49112, United States

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From: [Constance Koch](#)
To: [LABA-MPSC-EROCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:13:32 PM

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Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87110, United States

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From: [Douglas Hill](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:13:27 PM

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From: Susan Lewis
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Susan Lewis
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48104, États-Unis

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From: [Shawn Wozniak](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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From: William Latka
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:12:58 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Bill Latka
Traverse City, Michigan, 49685, United States

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From: [Jimmie Wright](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:12:33 PM

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From: [Rebecca McMullin](#)
To: [IARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:11:52 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

As a deeply worried citizen, I ask you to hear my concerns. This is not the first time a woman from my family has said no to the unmoral degradation and destruction of what is more to us than a piece of land or water. Are people's lives not more important than the almighty dollar? I wish for the first time my twin granddaughters are able to see the beauty of Michigan and all of her Waters that they are able to love, touch and them talk to them without fear of poison. Water is our family and I want them to meet her before she is killed by industry. I beg you, please reject.

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Yours sincerely,
Rebecca McMullin
Medford, Oregon, 97504, United States

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From: [Jackie Schmitz](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:11:47 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Jackie Schmitz
Middleville, Michigan, 49333, United States

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From: [Melissa Daunt](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Melissa Daunt

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From: [Kathleen Peabody](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:11:01 PM

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Kathleen Peabody
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48108, United States

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From: [Ross Rhizal](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC:EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:10:57 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Ross Rhizal
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48103, United States

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From: Penny Hubbell
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:10:42 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Penny Hubbell
Elk Rapids, Michigan, 49629, United States

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From: [Robert Davidson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:10:21 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Robert Davidson
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: [William Palmer](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:09:29 PM

[REDACTED]

RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
William Palmer
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: [Keith D'Alessandro](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:08:42 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Keith D'Alessandro
Canton, Michigan, 48187, United States

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From: [Cheryl Hutchinson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:08:33 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Cheryl Hutchinson

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From: [Chris Thatcher](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:08:23 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Chris Thatcher

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From: [Helen Hankins](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:08:14 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Helen Hankins
Interlochen, Michigan, 49643, United States

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From: [Bobbi Jo Gamache](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:07:33 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: Carol McGeehan
To: [LARA MPSC EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:07:30 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Carol McGeehan

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From: [Lindsey Hart](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:07:20 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Lindsey Hart
Armada, Michigan, 48005, United States

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From: William Perault
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:07:09 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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The ancient riverbed that serves as the shipping label is approximately a ¼ mile wide and over 40 fathoms deep and last I was told by Enbridge at the greet and meet held at the Little Bear East of St Ignace MI, that the tunnel will not be under bedrock in it's entirety. Which means, the Enbridge tunnel will not be under bedrock in the most dangerous area of the Straits of Mackinac... "the shipping lane..."

I was snickered at when I warned of impending anchor strikes, luckily...April of 2019 it was a tiny tugboat anchor being dragged to maintain navigation control in headwinds and current and not the anchor of a 1000 foot freighter.

I hope you have read the entire message as I am also a citizen of the Sault Tribe and I am hoping you also protect my treaty rights by protecting the preservation of aquatic life and it's environment.

Thank You For Your Valued Time On This Matter;
William Perault

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From: [Lynne Bemer](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:07:09 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Lynne Bemer
Northville, Michigan, 48167, United States

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From: [George Ditzhazy](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:06:52 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
George Ditzhazy
Detroit, Michigan, 48221, United States

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From: [Jack Gurney](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:06:49 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Jack Gurney

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From: [Andrea Matthies](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:06:15 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Andrea Matthies
Ann Arbor, Michigan, United States

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From: [Peggy Malnati](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:05:17 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

As a Michigan Conservation Steward, I STRONGLY URGE you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac.

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Yours sincerely,
Peggy Malnati
Farmington Hills, Michigan, 48331, United States

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From: [Brian Keck](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:05:00 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Brian Keck
Asheville, North Carolina, 28805, United States

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From: [Elizabeth Eustis-Turf](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:04:54 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Elizabeth Eustis-Turf
St. Ignace, Michigan, 49781, United States

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From: [Sherry Koopers](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:04:38 PM

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From: Karen WhiteEagle
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:04:25 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Karen WhiteEagle

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From: [Debra Holt](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Debra Holt
West Bloomfield Township, Michigan, 48322, United States

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From: [Judy Ellis](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:04:13 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Judy Ellis
Traverse City, Michigan, United States

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From: [John McCahan](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:04:08 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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John McCahan

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From: [John Baker](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:03:49 PM

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From: [Jim Morrison](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:03:43 PM

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Jim Morrison

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From: [Denise Fisher](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:03:26 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Denise Fisher
Kalamazoo, Michigan, 49008, United States

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From: [Kate Dahlstrom](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:03:18 PM

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Kate and Rick Dahlstrom

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From: [mary.bretz](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Richard Bornhoff](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:02:18 PM

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Richard Bornhoff
La Grange Highlands, Illinois, 60525, United States

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From: [Stacey Sabbagh](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:01:42 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Stacey Sabbagh
Clinton Township, Michigan, 48038, United States

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From: [Stanette Amy](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:01:30 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Stanette Amy
Burton, Michigan, 48519, United States

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From: [Bill Rowe](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:01:21 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

* I'm tremendously offended that we taxpayers are being asked to fund having our state torn up for the benefit of a few people in a tar-sands oil company, (and a few people here.) Simple; what can go wrong will go wrong. Our state's gonna get torn to pieces. it just depends on when.

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Yours sincerely,
Bill Rowe
Ferndale, Michigan, 48220, United States

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From: [Marianne Fix](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:00:31 PM

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Mariane Fix

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From: [Taylor Brown](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:00:30 PM

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Our water is irreplaceable, and it is our job to protect it.

Yours sincerely,
Taylor Brown
L'Anse, Michigan, 49946, United States

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From: [Janice Chambers](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:00:15 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Janice Chambers

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From: [Krista Harveston](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:59:43 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

Michigan has elevated phosphate levels with eroding shorelines. This is a study for the EGLE program right now, with desperate attempts to protect the environment through implementation of strick laws after the studies are complete. Please, do not cause further disruption to this fragile environment. We are attempting to stop the damage and should even consider reduced wake laws to prevent the ripple affect it is causing on the land around our fresh water supply.

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Yours sincerely,
Krista Harveston
Macomb, Michigan, 48044, United States

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From: [Timothy Schacht](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:58:51 AM

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:58:23 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Steve Grabowski
Midland, Michigan, 48642, United States

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From: [Nancy Potter](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:58:06 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Nancy Potter

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From: [Lizzy Hamilton](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:57:51 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Lizzy Hamilton
Empire, Michigan, 49630, United States

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From: [Frank Zinn](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:57:44 AM

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Yours sincerely,
Frank Zinn
Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, 48236, United States

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From: [Sally Rogers](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:57:32 AM

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Sally Rogers
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: [Barbara Hopkins](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Barbara Hopkins
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48103, United States

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From: [Lynn Liberato](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:57:19 AM

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Lynn Liberato

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From: John Erdevig
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 11:57:12 AM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

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John Erdevig
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48104, United States

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From: [Karen Bravo](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:59:08 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Karen Bravo

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From: [Joy B](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: No to Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763! Big difference!
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:24:23 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Joy B
Swartz Creek, Michigan, 48473, United States

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From: [Cynthia Dorie](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: NO to Enbridge
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 12:32:48 PM

Put the line overland. What's the big deal? Do not put it in the water.

Cynthia

From: [James Kehrer](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: RE: Case no. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 1:00:34 PM

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RE: Case no. U-20763

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Respectfully,

Sincerely,
James Kehrer

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Watervliet, MI 49098

From: [John Brandmeier](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
John Brandmeier
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48105, United States

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From: [Merry Mikkelsen](mailto:Merry.Mikkelsen)
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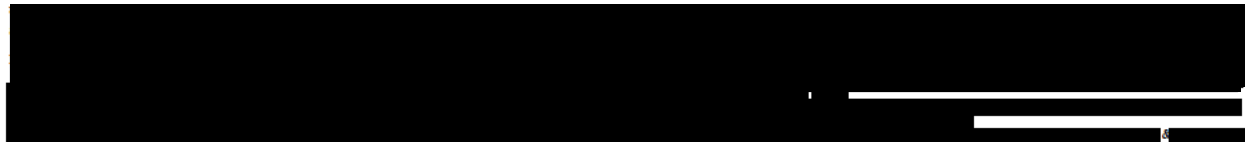
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Yours sincerely,
Merry Mikkelsen
Caro, Michigan, 48723, United States



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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Carlene Lefere
Jackson, Michigan, 49203, United States

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Barbara Skelly
Warren, Michigan, 48092, United States

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Karen Wachs
Suttons Bay, Michigan, 49682, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Lynn Holland

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Chris Yahanda
Elk Rapids, Michigan, 49629, United States

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Quincy, Michigan, 49082, United States

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Susan Peterson
Houghton, Michigan, 49931, United States

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Robert Barr

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From: [Laura Custodio](#)
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Laura Custodio
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48103, United States

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Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I was born and raised in Michigan. I now live in Vermont but have lots of family in Michigan and I love the state very much.

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Mary Walz
Hyde Park, Vermont, 05655, United States

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Debra Geldine
Ohio, 43445, United States

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Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48105, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Elizabeth Calhoun

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From: [Robert Learner](#)
To: [LARA.MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 1:33:43 PM

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A January 1, 2020 article in the Battle Creek Enquirer described an Enbridge Co. accident in the Straits of Mackinac when a borehole collapsed during geotechnical work in advance of the construction of this proposed tunnel. A 45 foot steel rod was resting against one of the underwater oil pipes. It appears that tunnel work would take place very close to the 67 year old pipes.

Huge currents between Lakes Michigan and Huron are known to move through the Straits, especially when lake levels are high. They are now at record levels. Oil pipes and tunnels represent terrible risks to our planet's fresh water needs.

Please take this opportunity to study this issue thoroughly and speak out for the long range needs of life in Michigan and on our planet.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this request.

Robert Learner
[REDACTED]
Battle Creek, MI 49037

Yours sincerely,
Robert Learner
Battle Creek, Michigan, 49037, United States

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From: [Carol Rall](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Nicole Dykstra

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From: [Pat Samolewski](#)
To: [LARA.MPSC@DOCKET5](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Pat Samolewski
Bay City, Michigan, 48706, United States

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From: [kelly murro](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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kelly murro

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Brian Mattys

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Yours sincerely,
Andrea Baier-Petiet
Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49546, United States

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Ann Horn

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Lana Fryers

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From: [Amanda Major](#)
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Amanda Major

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Yours sincerely,
Ronald Howard
Delton, Michigan, 49046, United States

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From: [Thomas Mead](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Thomas Mead
Traverse City, Michigan, 49684, United States

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From: Marilyn McGraw
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Marilyn McGraw

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Yours sincerely,
Linda Luke

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From: [Nathan Rauh-Bien](#)
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Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49503, United States

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An oil tunnel is obviously a new project, not just a minor improvement to an existing project. Therefore, I insist that you reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac.

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To: [LARA.MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Jennifer Haydock
Traverse City, Michigan, 49684, United States

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jacqueline.tessman
Benton Harbor, Michigan, 49022, United States

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Kathleen DeRosier

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From: KATHRYN VAUGHT
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KATHRYN VAUGHT
Eaton Rapids, Michigan, 48827, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Justin Haskins
Corunna, Michigan, 48817, United States

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From: [H. Ozera](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-BROOKETS](#)
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To: [JARA-MPSC-ETDOCKET](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Betsy Willey

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The time is now to begin the long process of putting all fossil fuels behind us. It makes NO sense to continue investing in technologies and energy sources that put the whole world at risk. Please show some vision. Think of your grandchildren and their children and how history will view the actions that YOU take now.

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Yours sincerely,
Jan Ealy

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Diane Mejia
North Bergen, New Jersey, 07047, United States

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Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I am deeply concerned about Enbridge's new plans which they claim won't hurt the environment. Thus, I would like you to minimally request that Enbridge submits a new plan where they substantiate why we/residents of Michigan need their new pipeline and more specifically, how this won't hurt the environment which is so dear to us. More specifically I urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling claiming they don't need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Diane Fager
Union Pier, Michigan, 49129, United States

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Robert Courson
Traverse City, Michigan, 49684, United States

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Linda Cihlar
Manistee, Michigan, 49660, United States

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From: [Lori Sutton](#)
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Lori Sutton

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From: [Tommy Hahn](#)
To: [JARA-MPSC-EDDOCKET](#)
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Tommy Hahn

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From: [Jess.ca.Clark](#)
To: [JARA-MPSC-BROOKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 1:11:44 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Jessica Clark
Battle Creek, Michigan, 49014, United States

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From: [Rosemary Struhsner](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Rosemary Struhsner
Port Hope, Michigan, 48468, United States

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From: [Mark Popson](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDDOOFIS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Mark Popson
West Bloomfield Township, Michigan, 48324, United States

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From: [Jeff Smith](#)
To: [LARA.MPSC.EDOOKEIS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Jeff Smith
Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49505, United States

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From: Sarah Ragalyi
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
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Yours sincerely,
Sarah Ragalyi

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From: [Suzanne Sorkin](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-BDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Suzanne Sorkin

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From: [Debra Henning](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-BOOKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Debra Henning

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From: [Virginia Jones](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 1:07:06 PM

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From: [Amanda Jungkuntz](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Applicat on Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 1:05:56 PM

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve, and The Great Lakes community on the whole, by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Amanda Jungkuntz, Biologist
Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53213-3067, United States

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From: [molly.jones](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, Apr 30, 2020 1:04:35 PM

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Yours sincerely,
molly jones
Mill Valley, California, 94941, United States

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From: [Darcy Blum](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Applicat on Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 1:03:30 PM

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From: [Richard Kinas](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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It is also time to stop using and supporting fossil fuels.

Yours sincerely,
Richard Kinas
Kalamazoo, Michigan, 49008, United States

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From: [Scott Gelding](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Applicat on Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 1:03:04 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Scott Gelding
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48108, United States

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From: [Caroline de Mauriac](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Caroline de Mauriac
Grand Ledge, Michigan, 48837, United States

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From: [Michael Carpenter](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-ED000015](#)
Subject: Enbridge Applicant Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Michael Carpenter
Troy, Michigan, 48063, United States

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From: [Margaret Schmid](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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From: [Cathy Munday](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDDOCKETS](#)
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Cathy Munday

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From: [April Beattie](#)
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Yours sincerely,
April Beattie
Holland, Michigan, 49423, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Angela Koch
Clarkston, Michigan, 48346, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Sally Doonan
Williamston, Michigan, 48895, United States

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Jim Dundas
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, 48304, United States

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Gwen Alexander, PhD
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48104, United States

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Margaret Morgan
Roseville, Michigan, 48066, United States

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Yours sincerely,
June Thaden
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Nancy Anter
Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, 48236, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Jean Cunningham
Standish, Michigan, 48658, United States

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Linda Schwab
Macomb, Michigan, 48042, United States

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Carol Perrault
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48106, United States

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Sandy Lloyd
Beulah, Michigan, 49617, United States

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Sherry Beckley
Swartz Creek, Michigan, 48473, United States

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Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday April 30 2020 2:15:33 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I'm requesting that you deny this latest attempt by Enbridge to go against the wishes of the majority of Michigan residents and in doing so greatly endanger the environment and our future. We hold the largest supply of fresh water in the world and the possibility of disaster is too great.

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Yours sincerely,
Sue Sweeney
Smiths Creek, Michigan, 48074, United States

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We must be very careful of this Enbridge Tunnel!

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Yours sincerely,
Dorothy Krueger

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Yours sincerely,
Laura Deibel

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RE Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

Michigan needs to stop supporting fossil fuel use and invest in renewable clean infrastructure - for our future generations to live healthy lives. Please encourage Enbridge to turn to alternative clean energy projects for Michigan and the Great Lakes. MPSC approval for Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac is based on outdated information/research. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel.

There is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting, among other things, that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because of the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac.

Your role in reviewing this new project is essential to protect the Michigan public by determining whether or not this project is in the public interest and have Enbridge present clean alternatives to the proposed oil tunnel. Michigan's energy needs can be met without the substantial risk involved. Impacts on the climate must now be taken into account with any new fossil fuel infrastructure - we must curb our use of fossil fuels. A newly created subsurface tunnel cannot be considered maintenance. It is a substantial change in design and a new project that the MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review through robust public engagement and a contested case process.

Please protect the Michigan residents and Michigan's drinking water which will never be clean again following an accidental spill/leak. Members of the public need ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before a determination is made in this case.

Yours Sincerely,
Carol Graham-Banes
Frankenmuth, Michigan, 48734, United States

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Yours sincerely,
theresa leonard

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John Christopher

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Yours sincerely,
Michele Martin

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RE Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I happened to be in England while they were building the channel tunnel, and I can tell you that a tunnel is neither an easy fix, nor a quick fix. I have to ask if Enbridge's line 5 is going from Canada to Canada, WHY do they have to go through Michigan??? Rather than the huge expense of a tunnel, why not send a pipeline to the north of Lake Superior and down past Georgian Bay?

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Yours sincerely,
Fred Townsend
Brandon Township, Michigan, 48462, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Erik Beers
Ellsworth, Michigan, 49729, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Laurie Smith

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Yours sincerely,
John Lloyd
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48103, United States

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Bay Village, Ohio, 44140, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Helen Donahue
Charlevoix, Michigan, 49720, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Mary Redick
Caledonia, Michigan, 49316, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Gary Irving
Alpena, Michigan, 49707, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Jo Ann Roosen
Hessel, Michigan, 49745, United States

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Ruth Kurczewski
Chicago, Illinois, 60640, United States

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Matt Wagner
Belleville, Michigan, 48111, United States

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Sara Cockrell
Grawn, Michigan, 49637, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Dr. Jane Harris
Whitmore Lake, Michigan, 48189, United States

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Dennis Glotzhober
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, 48304, United States

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Suzanne Shellenbarger

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Thank you. I do believe the right choice is clear.

Yours sincerely,
Asher Strayhorn
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48104, United States

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Cynthia Sherman-Jones

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Yours sincerely,
Justin Grover
Taylorsville, Utah, 84123, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Lee Engstrom
Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49506, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Linda Neumann
Toivola, Michigan, 49965, United States

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The Great Lakes are a unique and beautiful natural phenomenon and hold one of the largest reserves of fresh water in the world providing two nations and multiple states with water for drinking, cooking, farming, and industry. They also provide the State of Michigan with it's moniker as the "Great Lakes State" providing many diverse opportunities for recreation and relaxation and a robust source of funding from tourism. For all of these reasons and many more it is Michigan's responsibility to preserve and protect the lakes from any natural or man-made environmental disaster. The oil pipelines at the Straits of Mackinac threaten such a disaster at the hands of Enbridge Energy who pumps millions of gallons of oil including tar sands oil through these lines for the benefit of their corporate greed and profit for the purpose of moving this oil to refineries off the Gulf of Mexico for shipment to overseas customers including China. There is no logical reason for Michigan to exacerbate the possibility of a disaster at the Straits by allowing Enbridge to build a tunnel to "protect" the lines from rupture when the lines were never designed for tar sand oil and the pressures required to move it. An oil spill of any magnitude at the Straits would be devastating for the lakes and the surrounding lands. It is your responsibility to stop this and to protect the lakes. Millions are counting on your stewardship and protection.

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Marsha Boettger
Waterford Township, Michigan, 48327, United States

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Linda Coleman Shirkey
Northport, Michigan, 49670, United States

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Noa Jacob
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48108, United States

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Lyda Stillwell
Kalamazoo, Michigan, 49006, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Mary Weed
Superior Charter Township, Michigan, 48198, United States

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Subject: Enbridge Appl cation Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 1:52:12 PM

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RE Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
marcia curran
Frankfort, Michigan, 49635, United States

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Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Tom LaFave
Davison, Michigan, 48423, United States

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Pauline Feltner

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Reject Enbridge Tunnel Application
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020, 2:26:49 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

As you know, Water is Life. Enbridge, through its disregard of preventive maintenance on its pipelines under the Straits, has demonstrated its lack of concern over protecting this invaluable resource. Now it wants to steamroll yet another potential danger to the safety of our water, again prioritizing their profit over the welfare of the environment.

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Yours sincerely,
Stephen Brede
Petoskey, Michigan, 49770, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Graham BeVier
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Charles Carpenter
Beverly Hills, Michigan, 48025, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Richard LaBudie
Spring Lake, Michigan, 49456, United States

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From: [Gary Mortensen](#)
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Gary Mortensen

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Yours sincerely,
Nora Francis
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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Peggy Townsend
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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Elisabeth DeRosier

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Yours sincerely,
Debrah Roemisch
Fort Wayne, Indiana, 46807, United States

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From: [Nancy Strodl](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Nancy Strodl

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From: [Jasmine Harvey](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Jasmine Harvey

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Kay Brainerd
Belleville, Michigan, 48111, United States

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Lani White

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Mary O'Dowd
South Lyon, Michigan, 48178, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Katharine Miller
Richland, Michigan, 49083, United States

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From: Margaret McClellan
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Margaret McClellan
Ypsilanti, Michigan, 48198, United States

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Charlie Weaver

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Janis Beard
Ypsilanti, Michigan, 48197, United States

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Denise Zaccardi

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Amy Sung
Lapeer, Michigan, 48446, United States

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From: [Jane Dinnen](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Jane Dinnen

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Ethel Larsen
Petoskey, Michigan, 49770, United States

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William Gittlen

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Yours sincerely,
Ronald Martineau

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Date: Thursday Apr 30 2020 2:31:03 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Aaron Jones
Mount Pleasant, Michigan, 48858, United States

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Gary Zirulnik
Royal Oak, Michigan, 48067, United States

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Yours sincerely,
Jennifer Brandon

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From: [rochelle boyer](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Straits of Mackinac
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 2:48:33 PM

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PLEASE!!!

No to the Enbridge and the underwater tunnel. Don't let this happen!

Sincerely,

Michigan Resident
Rochelle Boyer

From: [Don Erskine](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#); [REDACTED]
Subject: U-20763 Public Comment
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 2:51:19 PM

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Hello, Please do not let Enbridge build a tunnel under the Strates of Mackinaw. This Company has exceeded the 50 year life of this pipeline. It needs to be shut down now and no tunnel built for replacement. How do we know a tunnel would not damage the Bridge? They allowed a leak in the Kalamazoo River for 17 hours causing almost 1 million gallons of oil to be dumped into the river. The largest spill in US history. Local residents say it will never be the same. While Enbridge will claim it has cleaned up the spill. This foreign company has proven time a time again they can't be trusted. Also if the Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians treaty in followed the Tribe needs to approve this as well. PLEASE SHUT DOWN LINE 5 NOW. AND DON'T ALLOW THEM TO BUILD A TUNNEL.

From: [Judith Hamel](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 4:05:45 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Judith Hamel
Cedarville, Michigan, 49719, United States

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From: [Amy Lebowitz](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Amy Lebowitz
Ferndale, Michigan, 48220, United States

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From: [Michael Cline](#)
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Yours sincerely,
Michael Cline
Big Rapids, Michigan, 49307, United States

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
CHRISTOPHER HARRIS
Shelbyville, Michigan, 49344, United States

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Yours sincerely,
Kathy Brown
Traverse City, Michigan, 49684, United States

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From: [Mindy Binsfeld](#)
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Mindy Binsfeld
Maple City, Michigan, 49664, United States

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From: [Amy Mackay](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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From: Gary Montague
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Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Lake, Michigan, 48632, United States

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Cheryl Campbell
Carleton, Michigan, 48117, United States

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From: [Gary Faley](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Flint, Michigan, 48532, United States

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To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Hastings, Michigan, 49058, United States

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From: [Jim Lively](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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From: [Barbara Groen](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
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Plymouth, Michigan, 48170, United States

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From: [Maria Ross](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:46:43 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to reject Enbridge Energy's request, which is a request for a NEW project, for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac. It is more important than ever to protect the critical water source and the citizens of Michigan.

The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

This is obviously a new project despite Enbridge's claims to the contrary, and your role in reviewing this project is essential to protect the Michigan public by determining whether or not this project is in the public interest and whether or not there are prudent and feasible alternatives to the proposed oil tunnel that could meet Michigan's energy needs without the substantial risk involved. Impacts on the climate must now be taken into account with any new fossil fuel infrastructure. Twin oil pipelines sitting on the lakebed are substantially different than one oil pipeline in a subsurface tunnel. This cannot be considered maintenance, it is a substantial change in design and a new project that the MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review through robust public engagement and a contested case process.

Please, I beg of you to protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Please do the right thing for Michigan citizens.

Yours sincerely,
Maria Ross
Beverly Hills, Michigan, 48025, United States

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From: [Joseph Hanley](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:46:07 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I understand that you are being asked to approve Enbridge Energy's request for a declaratory ruling that they do not need MPSC approval for their proposal to build an oil tunnel in the bottomlands of the Straits of Mackinac, and I request that you deny their request. The 1953 easement granted to Enbridge's predecessor, Lakehead Pipeline Co., was an easement to operate twin pipelines on the lakebed and contained no consideration of a subsurface tunnel. Further, as you are aware there is currently an ongoing lawsuit on behalf of the people of Michigan asserting among other things that the 1953 easement ought to be considered void because the potentially disastrous impact of an oil spill in the public trust waters of the Straits of Mackinac was not fully considered prior to issuance of the easement.

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Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Sincerely,
Joseph W. (Bill) Hanley
Just-retired President,
Vail Rubber Works, Inc.
St. Joseph, Michigan, 49085, United States

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From: [Lesley Pritchard](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:43:26 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I strongly urge you to deny any further application or approval of the Enbridge tunnel under Lake Michigan. It presents an extremely unreasonable risk of damage to the Great Lakes aquatic environment - including during proposed construction phases - and serves no "good" to the people of Michigan as the limited fuels delivered to the UP and elsewhere can be mitigated by other means of delivery.

Mainly, Enbridge needs to route the pipeline to its refineries through its own native territories of Canada and the current archaic pipelines should be shutdown. The tunnel cannot possibly be permitted under the original 1953 agreement. Stringent environmental impacts should also be reviewed. Our entire Michigan economy - not to mention our lives - depends upon this precious, natural resource. The risks cannot be securely managed and the consequences of any accident or failure would be devastating to the life and livelihoods of all of Michigan's residents.

This is obviously NOT in the public interest. There are other feasible alternatives that Enbridge must be required to develop. We need to reduce fossil fuel dependence and reduce scientifically-proven negative impacts to our environment. Too bad that Canada did not want the pipeline to cross their land. (Who, really does? And why should the people of Michigan bear that burden?) If alternatives such as re-routing through Canada is also at a greater cost to Enbridge, then they need to add that to their bottom line. (Besides, who really would fund the cleanup of an accident in the Straits? How would that even take place given our seasonal extremes?)

This application or whatever cannot possibly be considered maintenance as it is a substantial change in design and a new project that the MPSC has a responsibility to thoroughly review through robust public engagement and a contested case process.

Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Lesley Pritchard

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From: [Dean Francis](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:41:56 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Dean Francis

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From: [A. Mervyn & Marilyn Carse](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:41:41 PM

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Yours sincerely,
A. Mervyn & Carse

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From: [Kelene Luedtke-Fairchild](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:39:39 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Kelene Luedtke-Fairchild
Frankfort, Michigan, 49635, United States

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From: [Christine Bary-Eckman](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:38:42 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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I'm very concerned for the protection of our waterways and the health and wellbeing of our citizens. Water is life and every precaution should be taken to protect it.

Please protect the Michigan residents that you serve by denying this request for a declaratory ruling and ensuring that members of the public have ample opportunity to be heard and fully engage in this process before making your determinations in this case.

Yours sincerely,
Christine Bary-Eckman
Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49546, United States

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From: [Marc Applebaum](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:38:01 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Marc Applebaum
Farmington Hills, Michigan, 48334, United States

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From: [Ilene Kazak](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:37:11 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Ilene Kazak

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From: [Pamela Perry](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:37:09 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Pamela Perry

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From: [Joe Fickema](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:35:49 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Antoinette Ten Brink](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:33:23 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

Dear MPSC Commissioners,

I urge you to listen to the people of Michigan and the Great Lake states.

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Yours sincerely,
Antoinette Ten Brink
Traverse City, Michigan, 49686, United States

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From: [Lynda Kaye](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:32:39 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Lynda Kaye
Charter Township of Berlin, Michigan, 48179, United States

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From: [Cecilia Weatherly](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:30:51 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Cecilia Weatherly
Hastings, Michigan, 49058, United States

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From: [Betty Anguiano](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
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Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:30:49 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Betty Anguiano

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From: [Marie Clark](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:30:48 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Marie Clark

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From: [Niran Kheder](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:29:10 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Niran Kheder
Northville, Michigan, 48168, United States

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From: Catherine Palmer
To: LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:28:59 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Catherine Palmer
Allen Park, Michigan, 48101, United States

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From: [BRUCE BARBER](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:27:46 PM

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From: [Phillip Baldwin](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:26:17 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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From: [Nickolas Fleezanis](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:26:07 PM

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Nickolas Fleezanis

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From: [Randall Bond](#)
To: [LARA:MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:25:01 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Randall Bond

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From: [Betsy Winkelman](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:24:25 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Betsy Winkelman
West Bloomfield Township, Michigan, 48323, United States

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From: [Jon Krueger](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:23:42 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Yours sincerely,
Jon Krueger
Jackson, Michigan, 49201, United States

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From: Donna Rebman
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:23:09 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Donna Rebman
Beulah, Michigan, 49617, United States

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From: [Daniel Smith](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:22:55 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Daniel Smith
Midland, Michigan, 48640, United States

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From: [Sara Bonnette](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 3:21:31 PM

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Yours sincerely,
Sara Bonnette
Bay City, Michigan, 48708, United States

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From: [Aaron Toth](#)
To: [LARA-MPSC-EDOCKETS](#)
Subject: Enbridge Application Case No. U-20763
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020 4:03:22 PM

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RE: Case U-20763

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Aaron Toth
Clarkston, Michigan, 48346, United States

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