

November 20, 2018

The Honorable Ralph S. Northam
Governor
Commonwealth of Virginia
1111 East Broad Street, 3rd Floor
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Governor Northam:

We greet you as clergy members and religious leaders in Buckingham County to share our opinion about Dominion Energy and the Atlantic Coast Pipeline. In the beginning, Dominion did not really have an understanding of our community or our concerns. They thought everyone in Buckingham County thought the same about the pipeline. But we are all different and hold individual opinions. While Dominion may have not fully understood our community and its history initially, over the past few months, they have worked hard and tried to learn more about us. They have been here many times and met with people in Buckingham and our communities on different occasions. We greeted them with respect and they treated us the same, as we can all continue to learn from each other in this process. We are operating in good faith that Dominion is trying to help Buckingham by providing jobs for our neighbors and their families who only want to make an honest living and be safe. That is not too much to ask.

Our meetings with Dominion have resulted in a positive support package for Buckingham County and the Union Hill area. The support package focuses on keeping the community safe and revitalizing the community. The public safety package includes about \$1,520,000 for salary support for emergency responders, facility upgrades, a dedicated emergency channel and emergency equipment. Approximately \$3,600,00 is being provided to improve community health, education and economic development opportunities through building a Community Wellness, Education and Economic Development Center, community park and event pavilion in the Union Hill community. They also helped established the Greater Union Hill Community Development Corporation, which will take the lead in making sure these decisions come from the community and are open to everyone and that Dominion makes good on their commitment.

We know that some other people think the compressor station and pipeline issue is discriminatory and against black people. But a lot of this information is incorrect, and we do not feel this is the case. In fact, most of the people living in the area around the compressor station are white. Regardless of who is affected, all people, voices and opinions matter and it's not just one group.

We are committed to holding up our end for our community. We will work with the people at Dominion and the Greater Union Hill Community Development Corporation to ensure that our community, especially our most vulnerable residents, benefit from the construction of the Atlantic Coast Pipeline.

Sincerely,

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