

MS. MERRITT: Hi. Thank you for listening so patiently all day. And you have several of these, I admire your endurance. My name is Jill Merritt and I'm with a group called Elders Rising. We have a lot of pain in our hearts for the transition that will be required of -- not just the coal industry but all of us. I want to agree with the young man -- the miner who said, regardless of where you stand on this issue, we are all in it together. And humanity is in deep trouble. So we want to, first, move as soon as possible to a just transition for the coal miners who have indeed kept the lights on and for all those communities who are suffering from increasing warmth of the planet. Our hearts go out to the climate refugees, beginning with those in Syria who had to leave their farms because of the drought and to the many Pacific Islanders who are going to lose their homes. There's a lot of suffering to come and many more refugees as sea level rises. So it's time to put some urgency into a just transition to a clean world. Thank you.