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1 respect for everybody, and I pray for the people of
2 Wyoming and the people that are directly affected by coal
3 that other resources will become available for you. I
4 just wanted to let you know that we hold something to our
5 hearts that no matter what happens, the Creator will
6 provide for you. You don't need to put yourselves and
7 your people at risk to have this coal for money. You
8 know, don't hold that to your highest value.

9 I know, I am here too to provide for my daughter and
10 her future. And I don't want my culture or my cultural
11 foods to be something I have to tell her as history
12 instead of something she can go out and do herself.
13 Thank you.

14 MR. CARPITA: Good morning. My name
15 is Dan Carpita. It takes me a long time to introduce
16 myself in a traditional way so I'll just cut through
17 that. And I apologize to begin with for reading to you.
18 Again, I -- I can't talk for three minutes at anything.

19 I'm going to quote some words from Jamie Sams' book
20 Earth Medicine.

21 "It's time to honor the gift of family by taking our
22 roles of guardians of our resources. We are being asked
23 to become the general caretakers that the Great Mystery
24 intended us to be. The separation of a fourth world is
25 coming to an end. It is time. We must now face the

1 enemies that dwell within our hearts, the enemies of
2 hatred and bitterness strangle our spirits and harden our
3 hearts, telling us to cast aside the dream of planetary
4 wholeness. Loves all things shows us that we are one
5 plant, one people, one race, the human tribe." End of
6 quote.

7 I challenge you now to close your eyes and take a
8 moment to feel and imagine this planet we call earth and
9 home is a living, breathing, feeling entity. See how
10 she's gasping for breath, struggling to keep her balance,
11 and for want of nurturing, slowly expiring.

12 It is an ugly vision, but a reality. For you who
13 have the power here today to arrest its pain. But like
14 the alcoholic addict, the brief pleasure of relief we get
15 from our drug of choice, in this case money, we continue
16 to pursue it into the gates of self-destruction.

17 The medicine world teaches us that our very
18 existence as a species must be built upon a foundation of
19 four elements; respect, trust, intimacy, and unity. We
20 are floundering in the squalor of greed and selfish
21 fears. Rather than make decisions that promote the
22 survival of our human family and earth mother, we are
23 being led through fear-based manipulation, and we and our
24 planet are being used as chess pieces in a game of
25 Monopoly rather than follow traveler -- fellow travelers

1 with a destination of survival down to the seventh
2 generation.

3 I thank you for this opportunity to speak.

4 MR. BATTIS: Thank you.

5 MS. MACY: My name is Shayleen Macy
6 and I am a member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm
7 Springs. I'm Wasco and my tribe is from the Columbia
8 River.

9 For my people salmon and the water are sacred, and
10 we depend on them culturally, spiritually and
11 traditionally. And that's why I've traveled here from
12 Warm Springs Indian Reservation in Oregon today to let
13 you know that I oppose coal extraction and export project
14 expansion and urge you to move towards sustainable energy
15 sources that won't negatively impact salmon fisheries and
16 contribute to global climate change.

17 I'm a fisher on the Columbia River. I fish for
18 traditional subsistence and commercial purposes.
19 Traditional fishing for salmon, trout, lamprey, and
20 sturgeon is a practice at the Columbia River and coastal
21 tribes that date back for a millennia.

22 For the Warm Springs tribes, these rights to
23 continue these practices are guaranteed by federal
24 government treaties, yet these rights have been
25 threatened and harmed by fossil fuels, exports and