

1 consider YW -- WYW172684 as a case study.

2 There are over a billion people on this planet who
3 would sacrifice a lot for a small bit of the energy
4 equity and the energy security that we take for granted
5 here in the U.S. And coal is a very common rock. It's
6 found everywhere and it's going to be mined.

7 U.S. coal, the federal coal, is at least accountable
8 to the U.S. people, to Americans. We do operate under
9 economic and environmental regulations.

10 I'm very proud to work for Cloud Peak Energy at the
11 Cordero Rojo and Antelope coal mines. And people come
12 from all over the world to see these mines. We've just
13 wrapped up over 2 million man and woman hours without a
14 single medical treatment case at our mines, and they come
15 to see how this can be done.

16 They come to visit our successful reclamation, and
17 you know, we just -- we can lead the world. We can be
18 the leaders of the world, and we're all in this together.
19 Thank you.

20 MR. BATTIS: Thank you. If we could
21 have Group 21 through 25 come down and see Amy at
22 Microphone No. 1, we'll get you situated.

23 We're going to move over to Microphone 2.

24 MS. LYONS: My name is -- Hello. My
25 name is Mary Lyons. I am president of Landowners &

1 Citizens for a Safe Community out of Longview,
2 Washington.

3 We are the site of the last and current proposal to
4 build a coal terminal on our riverfront on the Columbia
5 River. We are fighting it passionately and determinably.
6 The proposal is by Millennium and formerly with Arch Coal
7 who has since declared bankruptcy along with a lot of
8 other coal companies, to put 40 million tons of coal on
9 400 acres of prime riverfront on the Columbia River.

10 It's been shown that the dust from those cars
11 will -- is blown all the way from Wyoming in the mines
12 down through the east side of the state to Pasco where it
13 is sprayed again with what's called a surfactant, which
14 is supposed to reduce the dust, which it has shown to do,
15 however, when it gets to Longview, the 400 acres of coal
16 which will be piled seven stories high will only be
17 watered down with water, the water from the Columbia
18 River, which will also then go back into the river,
19 supposedly clean, but we all know nothing is perfect.

20 The effort that the citizens are making to keep our
21 community clean and to get it into a more healthy
22 environment as well as economic situation is directly
23 fought by these -- this coal industry.

24 The current practices of BLM with large subsidies to
25 the coal industry reflects a lack of faith. A lack of

1 faith in the free market, a lack of faith in the
2 innovative imaginations of our citizens, and a lack of
3 faith in the stubborn, determined, and forward-thinking
4 citizens of this country.

5 Well, faith takes practice. And the choices that
6 are made can make a big difference in what happens
7 without knowing in advance what it's going to be.

8 30 years ago I was camping with my kids at
9 Twenty-Five Mile Camp. And through that camp early in
10 the morning, it was a real shock, came a very slow moving
11 herd of cattle being driven by cowboys. It was a strange
12 thing to be awakened by the low mooing of cattle.

13 And I'll never forget the feeling that I had that as
14 they were driving those cattle up to public lands, that
15 this was Washington. Washington is not coal. The United
16 States can do better. Thanks.

17 MR. BATTIS: Thank you.

18 MR. GUSSIN: My name is Larry Gussin.
19 In 2007 I read a book about climate change that shocked
20 me. It also opened a new door because I saw quickly that
21 the global decarbonization demanded by climate change
22 required a new energy system would be based not on fossil
23 fuels but on information technology. It would happen
24 just as IT had remade communications, finance, and other
25 business sectors.