

1 percent and 99 percent with that 1 percent completely
2 corrupting public discourse by controlling science and
3 everything else.

4 And we don't have to have jobs, a public need,
5 determined by the coal industry. We can have jobs
6 because we create them. Please join that discussion.

7 MR. BATTIS: Thank you. Is that all
8 from your group? Okay.

9 Then we're going to move over to Microphone No. 1.
10 It looks like, Amy, you have everybody lined up.

11 And it is just a little bit before 4. Our panelists
12 have agreed to stay and hear everybody, so thank you to
13 our panelist.

14 MS. PLUNKETT: I'm Janette Plunkett.
15 I am representative of the Presbyterian church and just
16 from our general assembly, where we passed from committee
17 a bill to divest from fossil fuels, and there are 400,000
18 Presbyterians that are requesting this.

19 So the big issue for us was the moral one, and I
20 know you've heard all about that today and I feel, like,
21 thank you for listening so much. If you want to stand
22 during my comments, I'd be fine with that.

23 I feel like you've heard kind of both sides, those
24 who are very fearful of this transition and those who are
25 very passionate about it, and I feel like I'm speaking

1 kind of from the central. Presbyterians are pretty
2 central folks, and no one in our debate denied climate
3 change or the need to act.

4 I just have to tell you it's so central now to not
5 dig up any more coal. Everyone got that we need to leave
6 80 percent of fossil fuels in the ground and that coal is
7 one of the dirtiest fossil fuels.

8 So I just want to give you moral support in making
9 this decision. And I also want to hold up an example
10 here from Washington state. We worked with the Centralia
11 coal plant to transition that, and that was a combination
12 of multiparty collaborative effort, including the
13 company, that really looked out for the welfare of the
14 workers as well as the community. And I just want to
15 hold that up as an example as you look to transition coal
16 fields.

17 Even the CEO, in this case TransAlta, said this was
18 a case study for successful collaboration with
19 environmental groups, community stakeholders, employees,
20 and local and state governments.

21 And if they were happy, I think that's a real sign
22 of success, so I'll give that to you as an example and
23 end my remarks early. Thank you so much.

24 MR. BATTIS: Thank you.

25 MS. WILLIAMS: Great Grandma Imogene.