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1 MS. SANDERS: Hello. My name is Carol
2 Sanders. My background is that I'm a civil engineer. I
3 worked at Port of Portland, Port of Seattle. I've done
4 sediment remediation and cleanup. I'm a dredging expert,
5 currently working for International Dredging Review.

6 I have listened to a very short portion of this and
7 I understand the emotional background and the concept. I
8 also was one of the lead contractors on Sound Transit
9 Light Link so when you take MLK Way, you can thank us for
10 laying that out as well as the stadium.

11 Wherever there's water, there is discharge. We use
12 the waterways for dilution. When you go to the bathroom,
13 you flush the toilet, it goes to the sewage system, and
14 it goes out an outfall.

15 The same concept happens when you burn something.
16 It goes through scrubbers and cleaners and then goes
17 through a diffuser up at the top.

18 So how's coal, oil, and all the energy resources
19 different? Basically when I was working with the
20 University of Washington, Joe Mahoney who was an energy
21 specialist, he forwarded an article on to me from
22 Cambridge, and it said that we would have to cover
23 one-third of Africa with solar panels to meet our growing
24 energy needs.

25 So when you associate a fossil fuel as a fossil

1 fuel, now I -- you're not going to know exactly where I'm
2 going, but I have worked in a coal mine, I worked at
3 Decker Coal. I lived here 30 years. I did a lot of
4 cleanup throughout the Northwest, and I cleaned up pencil
5 pitch in Portland. I've also cleaned up PCVs in
6 California. I've cleaned up PCVs in Oregon.

7 And I will tell you that industries locate on the
8 water because they have a source of water and they're a
9 very large source of contamination. However, it is a
10 very different means of cleanup when you're doing oil
11 versus coal. And how many people here have seen federal
12 lands in Wyoming? How many people have been on BLM lands
13 in Wyoming? Do you understand the world's largest energy
14 resources reside in some of the most desolate land you
15 can imagine. And when we put up windmills as
16 alternatives in Wyoming, we decimate nine species of
17 bats.

18 So I've -- I can find the Cambridge article which
19 was done back in 2010, which basically asserts our only
20 way out of the energy crisis, since Americans are the
21 greediest of all energy consumers, is through nuclear
22 power. That sucks.

23 So I'm not saying pick your poison. I'm just saying
24 get your data right. Because I can tell you cleaning up
25 pencil pitch is a heck of a lot easier than cleaning up

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1 oil. And there is places in Wyoming that have been
2 decimated, including Pinedale, by the oil industry. So
3 that's my end. I'm kind of pro coal.

4 MR. BATTIS: Thank you.

5 Number 151 followed by 152.

6 MS. STILLER: My name is Grace
7 Stiller. I am from Burien, Washington and I am
8 representing a nonprofit called Nature's Stewards, and
9 also I've got an email from the Natural Wildlife
10 Federation saying that this opportunity to speak was
11 available, and their comment as the National Wildlife
12 Federation was keep coal in the ground to save wildlife
13 for future generations.

14 The Nature Steward's program, I am the executive
15 director and also the policy coordinator. We work with
16 youths, engage them in environmental activities. And the
17 youths that have gone through the Weed Warriors Nature
18 Stewards Program are very concerned about this issue and
19 wanted me to voice on their behalf where they stand. And
20 they're asking to please keep the coal in the ground,
21 consider their future.

22 It's the leadership's responsibility to protect
23 Mother Earth. We heard from our tribal leaders, and I
24 honor all their statements and am just so overwhelmed
25 with everyone here that has supported keeping coal in the