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Subject: Enbridge 2021 Dawn Parkway Expansion, #EB-2019-0159

1. As a resident of Hamilton, Ontario and a citizen of Canada, I am disgusted at how our government treats the planet, how they continue to put profits above health risks to wildlife, people, air, land and water by further poisoning the planet. NO thank you to any more new pipelines or expansions.
2. We need the OEB to hold a fully transparent **oral hearing** in regards to this proposed pipeline. Humanity is rapidly running out of time to transform our economy and redefine our relationship to the land, this means **no more business as usual**.
3. **There are risks and costs** associated with more greenhouse gas pollution and the development/operations of these industries and these fossil fuel companies do not want you to think about these things. It's time they were no longer in charge. The world's climate scientists warned in October 2018 that we must **cut greenhouse gas emissions at least in half by 2030**, and since then what has our government done to get us there!?
4. We should not allow the fossil fuel industry to keep pretending as though they can solve our problems **the land and planet can not always be sacrificed for their short term profits**. We have recognized the **deep connection between the climate emergency and the fossil fuel industry**, making it especially outrageous to allow these companies greater control over the future of our planet.

I can't say I'm optimistic about the way our government continues to handle these matters, but I do hope you take the time to consider changing your ways and start listening to the public and scientists who are concerned about our future. It's about time we became leaders and got on board with other countries around the world that are putting the climate emergency at the top of their priority list. Canada has failed at being the good guys. When will our government start to become visionaries?

regards,
Valerie Cousens