

To Energy Transfer Partners (ETP) management, financiers, unitholders, and customers,

We, the undersigned organizations, who represent millions of people including many communities directly impacted by ETP's infrastructure projects, are launching a coordinated effort to challenge Energy Transfer Partners operations until the below demands are met.

Energy Transfer Partners (ETP) is an oil and gas infrastructure company with pipelines crossing the United States. ETP has a robust history of failing to adequately protect public health, local communities and the environment. While ETP gains huge financial benefits from its operations, it has transferred the financial burden from its many failed operations to the backs of communities left to clean up after it. ETP has inflicted tremendous social and environmental harm, and is moving now to expand with new oil and gas pipelines across the United States. ETP's record of environmental and human rights violations include:

- **Desecrating sacred sites**¹ and violating indigenous sovereignty²;
- **Enabling violence** against water protectors³;
- **Polluting democracy** with more than \$400,000⁴ in campaign contributions to climate change-denying candidates for federal office in the last six years⁵;
- **Spilling oil and chemicals into the environment** 317 times in the last eleven years, exposing communities and wildlife to toxic pollution^{6,7,8};
- **Violating landowner rights** by profiting from eminent domain⁹;
- **Harming the climate** by leaking methane from pipelines and compressor stations and enabling the expansion of extreme forms of oil and gas extraction¹⁰;
- **Failing to comply** with environmental laws and permits for existing pipelines, which negatively impacts local communities and ecosystems.

ETP's oil and gas pipeline projects are dangerous, exploitive, and unnecessary.

We demand that Energy Transfer Partners' proposed and existing operations meet the following social and environmental criteria:

- **Water** – Cause no water pollution;
- **Public Health** – Cause no health-harming air pollution;
- **Indigenous Rights** – Recognize and respect Indigenous sovereignty, including the right to say “No”;
- **Community Rights** – Respect the rights of residents and property owners to protect themselves from harm;
- **Climate** – Meet the climate test¹¹ to ensure the world does not exceed 1.5°C temperature rise;

¹ [“What Dakota Access Destroyed: Standing Rock Former Historic Preservation Officer Explains What Was Lost”](#)

² [“Does the Dakota Access Pipeline Violate Treaty Law?”](#)

³ [“Private Security Agents Sicced Dogs on Dakota Access Pipeline Protesters”](#)

⁴ [“Energy Transfer Partners: Contributions to Federal Candidates”](#)

⁵ [“The Anti-Science Climate Denier Caucus”](#)

⁶ [“Sunoco, behind protested Dakota pipeline, tops U.S. crude spill charts”](#)

⁷ [“Sunoco Pipeline Spills Gasoline Near Pennsylvania River”](#)

⁸ [“Widely-Opposed Pipeline 'Confirms Worst Fears' After Two Spills Into Ohio Wetlands”](#)

⁹ [“For-Profit Pipelines Are Growing And So Are Eminent Domain Battles”](#)

¹⁰ [“The Dakota Access Pipeline will lock-in the emissions of 30 coal plants”](#)

- **Accountability** – Pay and commit to clean up existing water and air pollution, and to compensate the harmed.

Along with millions of others in the US and around the world, we demand a rapid and just transition away from fossil fuels. ETP's pipelines and infrastructure projects that expand our dependence on oil and gas are taking us in the wrong direction. We will oppose ETP's infrastructure projects in our communities, along with companies doing business with ETP, investors that finance ETP, and agencies who give permits to and fail to regulate ETP, until the company embraces a clean energy, fossil fuel-free future, starting with publicly producing an analysis of the above criteria for all new fossil fuel projects. Our water, our communities, and our climate deserve nothing less.

Signed,

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Alamosa Riverkeeper
Atchafalaya Basinkeeper
Bold Louisiana
Cahaba Riverkeeper
Coastal Carolina Riverwatch
Crystal Coast Waterkeeper
Earthworks
Environmental Stewardship
Greenpeace USA
Hurricane Creekkeeper
Indigenous Environmental Network
Louisiana Bucket Brigade
Milwaukee Riverkeeper
NoDAPL Global Solidarity
North Louisiana for Earth & Water Justice
Oil Change International
Rainforest Action Network
Sage Sisters of Solidarity
San Francisco Baykeeper
Savannah Riverkeeper
Sierra Club
Tar Creekkeeper
Waccamaw Riverkeeper
Waterkeeper Alliance
Waterkeepers Chesapeake
Winyah Rivers Foundation
...and many more