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Sunoco's "Mariner East" Flyer Increases Community Alarm: Public Safety Risks, Impaired Property Values, Private Property Rights at Forefront of Concerns

MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP, Pennsylvania, July 3, 2017—Sunoco's proposed Mariner East export project raises growing community concerns for public safety risks, property value loss, and infringement of private property rights.

Just before this July 4 holiday weekend, Sunoco mailed a flyer to some Chester and Delaware county residents purporting to help them "separate fact from fiction." The Middletown Coalition for Community Safety (MCCS) believes the flyer may have been prepared by Sunoco's public relations firm The Bravo Group, whose disturbing "goal" is to help Sunoco "neutralize opposition."

Sunoco has a vested interest in transporting industrial quantities of hazardous materials through densely populated areas. As a result, it simply will not provide an accurate assessment of the risk of its proposed industrial operations in terms of consequences and probability. MCCS doesn't aim to "neutralize" anyone, only to inform by providing the complete and accurate information that Sunoco itself will not.

Accordingly, MCCS has prepared detailed responses to each of the six incomplete or inaccurate points in Sunoco's flyer.

[Link to full MCCS statement](#)

"Assuming that rupture failure will never occur is most unwise, if not reckless...[and] Emergency Response Planning [ERP] should never be utilized to credit against the risks associated with pipeline rupture events. No matter how effective the ERP, response cannot be fast enough to save those most at risk in the extreme heat flux zones associated with the most likely early ignition gas release scenarios." Commentary on the Risk Analysis for the Proposed Emera Brunswick Pipeline through Saint John, NB by Richard B. Kuprewicz, President, Accufacts Inc.