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2 more smoke comes out of the exhaust  
3 system than, probably, comes from  
4 Orange and Rockland's plant in  
5 Haverstraw and, with light rail, you  
6 would not have any of that.

7 So, I think it's very important  
8 that they reconsider and they  
9 implement putting a light rail system  
10 in connection with building the new  
11 Tappan Zee, whether it's building a  
12 new one or it's reconditioning the  
13 existing one.

14 That's it.

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19 With the cost of gasoline going  
20 up and no hope of it coming down in  
21 the near future and with the pollution  
22 that comes from the buses, why is it  
23 being seriously considered as a help?  
24 I would like to see light rail  
25 considered as a possibility. It is

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cleaner, it is, probably, safer and  
more ecologically friendly for the  
environment.

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After going through all the  
variations, the Alternative 4B has a  
number of advantages, but one of the  
big things is that it enables, also,  
heavy rail to be utilized. The  
advantage there is that, currently,  
all the shipping that comes from  
around the world to the Port of New  
Jersey gets sent over across the  
Hudson River via trucks. If we were  
to have heavy rail, we would then be  
able to transport using much more  
efficient rails at night for freight  
transport across the river.

So, it may be penny wise and  
pound foolish, simply, to go with a  
cheaper alternative avoiding the heavy  
rail, but, in the long run in the