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2 MR. BODIN: Thank you.

3 There will be a connection between
4 the Port Jervis line. There will be a one
5 seat ride to Penn Station. There will be
6 no need to commute across the Tappan Zee
7 Bridge by rail.

8 MR. PLOTCHYK: Sir, we have
9 additional speakers.

10 MR. BODIN: I understand what you're
11 saying. I'm not through.

12 MR. PLOTCHYK: We have a
13 stenographer you can give comments to.

14 MR. BODIN: That's too good. These
15 people need to hear facts that's not being
16 presented to you. You're being presented
17 with information that's stale. I gave you
18 what needs to be known.

19 There is congestion pricing in New
20 York City. None of these plans show any
21 electronic control of the traffic lanes.
22 It's up to you to ask those questions.

23 Thank you.

24 MR. PLOTCHYK: Thank you, sir.

25 Faith Elliott.

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2 MS. ELLIOTT: I think I like this
3 one too.

4 MR. PLOTCHYK: Okay.

TZB-024T 5 MS. ELLIOTT: Good evening.

6 I have a very long experience with
7 the Thruway. I won't go into it all now,
8 but the only names of towns that I hear
9 are Suffern and Port Chester. And the
10 towns that are going to take the brunt of
11 the impact of these massive projects are
12 South Nyack and Grandview. And the
13 character of the River Villages will be
14 changed forever. And this time we can't
15 say, oh, you know, we should have done
16 something 50 years ago.

17 Basically any of the build options
18 are part of a humongous regional plan.
19 They're not benefiting directly the people
20 who are going to be paying the most for
21 it.

22 Basically the Rolling Stones want to
23 give a concert, and they want South Nyack
24 to host the party, even though they're not
25 invited to the concert.

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2 So what we would urge the Thruway
3 Authority, the Transportation Authority,
4 the MTA, etcetera, etcetera, etcetera to
5 do is consider the impact on your host;
6 the River Villages.

7 The compensation to the River
8 Villages and to the property owners who
9 will be directly impacted must be included
10 in any plan that is finally presented.

11 People say that we're only going to
12 be working in a foot print. Well, if
13 you're working in a foot print, where the
14 noise levels and the pollution levels are
15 already well above the Federal legal
16 limits, what effect do you think massive
17 projects of this magnitude are going to
18 have?

19 The citizens are being told, oh,
20 we're giving you information. We have
21 meetings. You have input. But the way
22 these projects are presented --

23 MR. PLOTCHYK: You have 30 seconds,
24 ma'am.

25 MS. ELLIOTT: -- it's like a game

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2 of telephone with two tin cans and a long
3 wire. You have to walk and look on each
4 little map, which you can barely see. And
5 I don't know. Ask this one. Oh, we don't
6 know yet. So basically we're asked to
7 sign on to something that nobody knows the
8 answers. And by March 31st it's going to
9 be too late. Rockland County is going to
10 have to wake up or we really have no
11 excuse. In the Fifties they said it was
12 crammed down their throats. In 2010 it's
13 gonna be crammed somewhere else.

14 MR. PLOTCHYK: Next, while James is
15 making his way to the microphone, we
16 have -- I'll call on the next three
17 speakers, please.

18 Joan Schroeder, Jeff Anzevino, and
19 I believe it's Michael Hogan from South
20 Nyack.

21 MR. HOGAN: Correct.

22 MR. PLOTCHYK: That's correct.

23 Good.

TZB-025T 24 MR. CASTAGNA: Thank you. My name
25 is Jim Castagna. I live in Orangetown,