Areas of comment:

-reference the appreciation of being offered the opportunity to present and outline the areas of interest the Council of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford has identified on behalf of our residents.

-Of Note: potential negative impact on the World Heritage Site Designation of the Rideau Canal

: potential negative impact on the aquifer. The identified aquifer area, footprint if you will, is within the municipal boundaries of Merrickville-Wolford. In excess of 2/3 of our households depend on this aquifer for potable water.

-while there is an appreciation for the technical design; build; safety inspection; safety components; response to "incidents" for this project - - - should the project proceed and receive final approval, there is significant interest in ensuring the product within the delivery system – the pipeline – stays within the system.

-we appreciate our municipality is not formally identified as a commenting agency. There is significant value in ensuring authorized entities have appropriate timelines to provide input, such as the RVCA and the federal government, through Parks Canada.

-while our points may be viewed as areas of concerns, council is indicating to you that they are areas of interest to the residents of Merrickville-Wolford.

- etc, etc.

Doug Struthers Mayor

