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CONFRONTING CITI’S ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM

OPENING STATEMENTS 10-10.25
Introduction Roishetta Ozane: Jane Fonda
Welcome by Hearing Chair – Roishetta Ozane, Founder of the Vessel Project of Louisiana and Gulf Fossil Finance Coordinator at Texas Campaign for the Environment

- Hearing Officer: Tara Houska, Tribal Attorney & Founder, the Giniw Collective
- Hearing Officer: Sister Susan Francois, Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace
- Hearing Officer: Hana Heineken, Attorney, ClientEarth

GULF SOUTH RISES UP: HEALTH IMPACTS AND FOSSIL FUELS 10.25-11.15
Introduction: Roishetta Ozane
- Sharon Lavigne, Founder, RISE St. James
- Arielle Dougherty, Community Organizer, Texas Campaign for the Environment
- Johanna Heureaux-Torres, Energy Campaigns Analyst, Sierra Club
- Manning Rollerson, Founder, Freeport Haven Project for Environmental Justice
- Naomi Yoder, GIS Data Manager, Bullard Center for Environmental and Climate Justice

DEFENDING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES’ RIGHTS & SOVEREIGNTY 11.20-12.25
Introduction: Tara Houska & Sister Susan Francois
- Christa Mancias, Tribal Secretary & Director, Carrizo/Comecrudo Tribe of Texas
- Chief Na’Moks, Wet’suwet’en Hereditary Chief
- Crystal Cavalier-Kech, co-Founder, 7 Directions of Service
- Jason Keck, co-Founder, 7 Directions of Service
- Olivia Bisa, President of the Autonomous Territorial Government of the Chapra Nation

WEATHERING CLIMATE HARMS & ADVANCING SOLUTIONS 12.30-1.20
Introduction: Hana Heineken
- Rachel Rivera, Board Member, New York Communities for Change
- Ashraful Hasan, Activist, Desis Rising up and Moving
- Gabriel Alexandre, Student at Leaders High School, Brooklyn
- Marcello Federico, Divestment Organizer, Indigenous Environmental Network
- Russell Armstrong, Policy Director for Climate and Environment, Hip Hop Caucus
- Bernadette Demientieff, Executive Director, Gwich’in Steering Committee

DECLARATION OF ACTION FROM THE CHAIR 1.20-1.30
Citi has pumped $332 billion into fossil fuels since 2016, making it the second biggest global funder.

It is a major funder of the world’s worst polluters including ExxonMobil, Saudi Aramco, Chevron and BP.

Citi was named in a UN complaint over human rights abuses linked to climate change, because of its funding of Aramco.

Citi is a major funder of liquified methane gas, pumping in $8.7 billion since 2016

Citi funds LNG companies and projects in Texas & Louisiana, which are located in BIPOC & low-income communities. This includes LNG terminals at Sabine Pass, Cameron, Corpus Christi and Port Arthur.

Citi provided funding of more than $145 billion to the plastics industry between 2015 and 2020.

It is a major funder of Formosa Plastics, providing $668 million in funding 2001-2021. Formosa has been trying to build a $9.4 billion plastics facility in a majority Black community in Louisiana.

Citi funds companies whose projects are opposed by Indigenous communities, in violation of the UN principles on Free, Informed and Prior Consent.

It has provided $5.8 billion in funding to controversial pipeline company Enbridge, which is building Line 3 and Line 5, the Rio Bravo pipeline in south Texas and an ammonia plant in Ingleside, Texas.

Citi is one of the biggest funders of state-run oil and gas companies in the Amazon basin, pumping in over $40 billion between 2016-2020.

It is a major backer of Petroperú, which has been involved in oil spills and Indigenous rights violations.

Citi this year exited the Equator Principles, a set of global standards on risks to the environment and communities.

Indigenous land owners in Australia have lodged a human rights complaint against Citi over its involvement in a $4.7 billion gas project off the north coast.

For three years Citi has faced a shareholder resolution over the impact of its fossil fuel funding on Indigenous communities, filed by the Sisters of St Joseph of Peace.

Sources: Banking on Climate Chaos (Rainforest Action Network); Bankrolling Plastics (Portfolio Earth); Citigroup: Amazon Oil Exposure Report (Stand.earth, Amazon Watch)