1	BERGEN COUNTY
2	BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS HACKENSACK, NEW JERSEY
3	WORK SESSION WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019
4	COMMENCING AT 4:37 P.M.
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7	FREEHOLDERS PRESENT:
8	GERMAINE M. ORTIZ, CHAIRWOMAN
9	MARY J. AMOROSO, VICE CHAIRWOMAN
10	DR. JOAN M. VOSS, CHAIRWOMAN PRO TEMPORE
11	TRACY SILNA ZUR
12	DAVID L. GANZ
13	THOMAS J. SULLIVAN
14	STEVEN A. TANELLI
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16	FREEHOLDERS ABSENT:
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24	KIM O. FURBACHER, C.C.R., R.M.R. P.O. BOX 213
25	ROCHELLE PARK, NEW JERSEY 07662-0213 201-336-6200

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3	ALSO PRESENT:
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5	JAMES J. TEDESCO III BERGEN COUNTY EXECUTIVE
6 7	LARA RODRIGUEZ CLERK TO THE BOARD
8	STEPHANIE GALLINA ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
9	JULIEN X. NEALS, ESQ. ACTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
11	MICHAEL V. BELLUCCI DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
12	EDWARD J. FLORIO, ESQUIRE
13	FREEHOLDER COUNSEL
14 15	MICHAEL SHEINFIELD DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS & POLICY
16	STORM WYCHE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS & POLICY
17	JARED LAUTZ SENIOR STRATEGIC PLANNING ADVISOR
18	SENIOR SIRAIEGIC PLANNING ADVISOR
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1 CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: The meeting is called to order at 4:37 p.m. 2

Before we begin our meeting, I ask that everyone please take a moment to silence their phones.

Thank you.

Will the Clerk please read the Sen. Byron Baer Open Public Meetings Act.

MS. RODRIGUEZ: In accordance with Section 5 of the Sen. Byron Baer Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in the Annual Notice Schedule, which contained the time, date, and location of this meeting, copies of which Notices were forwarded to the official County newspapers, to wit: The Herald News and The Record, and a copy of which was posted on the bulletin board in the Bergen County Justice Center and Administration Building, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, New Jersey, and filed with the Office of the Bergen County Clerk.

ROLL CALL

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CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Will the Clerk 23 please call the roll.

(At this point in the proceeding roll call is taken with Freeholders Ganz, Sullivan,

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    Tanelli, Voss, Silna Zur, Vice-Chairwoman Amoroso,
    and Chairwoman Ortiz present.)
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Evidence of a quorum
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    is present.
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    PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Will you all please
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    rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.
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                   County Executive, would you lead us.
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                   COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: Oh, thank
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    you, Freeholder Chairwoman.
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                   Ladies and gentlemen, please join me in
    honoring America.
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                   (At this point in the proceeding all
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    rise for a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance,
    led by County Executive Tedesco.)
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    COMMENDATIONS PRESENTED TO GIRL SCOUTS IN HONOR OF
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    RESOLUTION #231-19 RECOGNIZING "GIRL SCOUTS OF
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    AMERICA WEEK"
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Tonight we will vote
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    to accept Resolution #231-19, recognizing "Girl
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    Scouts of America Week."
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                   We are pleased to have with us tonight
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    the present CEO of the Girl Scouts of Northern New
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    Jersey, Mrs. Dahlia Cooper, along with
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representatives from Girl Scout Troops 97499 and

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                   Ms. Cooper, would you like to say a few
    words in recognition of Girl Scouts Week?
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                   MS. COOPER: Certainly.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Please come and sit
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    with us.
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                  MS. COOPER: Good afternoon or good
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    evening, everyone.
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                   First off, I am not Betty Garger, our
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    CEO, I am Dahlia Cooper. I oversee all of the
    membership of all the Girl Scouts of Northern New
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    Jersey. So thank you for having us here.
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                   Betty sends her apologies. Of course
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    she wishes she was here.
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                   So just a few notes.
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                   Thank you so much for recognizing Girl
    Scouts in their 107th birthday. As I said to the
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    girls when I'm out, "Do I look like I'm
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    107-years-old?"
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                   FREEHOLDER GANZ: You look great to me.
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                   MS. COOPER: So yesterday, the 12th,
    was our birthday, we turned 107.
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MS. COOPER: Okay. Great.

birthday as mine.

FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Really? Same

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We are so proud of all the work we do at Girl Scouts to build girls' confidence and character, and help girls develop into the next generation of leaders.

Here in Bergen County, we serve over 26,000 girls, which is four and a half counties, Bergen, Passaic, Morris, Sussex, and half of Warren.

We also, without the help of our 14,000 adult volunteers, would not be able to do the job that we do.

Girl Scouts, these girls right here today, many of them participate in community partnerships, Community Action projects. They do much community service, and they hone their leadership skills through these activities.

As you will see in a little while, or you will see our Girl Scouts and Troops 97499 and 95592, honor our veterans by giving them some of our wonderful tasting Girl Scout cookies.

This happens only once a year for two months, that's the only time we sell them, and I'll be more than happy to give you guys each one box, only one box, though, and you guys have to purchase them, if you want more, so this way these girls can do the awesome things that they do.

I'm not going to take up too much time.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak about Girl

Scouts. If you have any questions whatsoever, you

can always find us either in Riverdale, Paramus or

Paterson, those are where our offices are. And, once

again, thank you and thank our wonderful girls for

coming here today and for doing all that they do,

because they do a lot. We're so grateful for them.

So thank you, girls, for coming.

[APPLAUSE]

 $\label{eq:chairwoman} \mbox{CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ:} \quad \mbox{Thank you so much}$ for coming today.

MS. COOPER: Thank you.

Girl Scouts, and I know they learned so much. I mean, they gave back to the community through projects, and they did all their trips and selling cookies and just so much that they did throughout the years, all the volunteering and everything they do. So I appreciate everything you do, and I know the County Executive has commendations, as well as the Freeholder Board, so if you want to stay.

MS. COOPER: Both my girls are Girl Scouts, One is graduating from college next month and one is graduating from high school in two months.

1 COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: In honor and in recognition of Girl Scouts Week 2019 I have a 2 proclamation honoring that. I'm not going to read 4 the entire thing, but let me just say: 5 "Whereas, it is fitting, given the historic role that the Girl Scouts have played in the 6 empowerment of girls and women, that the celebration 8 of Girl Scout Week falls within Women's History 9 Month. 10 "And, whereas, on behalf of the nearly 11 one million residents of Bergen County, I am pleased to recognize and celebrate the Girl Scouts 107th 12 13 birthday and applaud the role that current and former 14 Girl Scouts play in service to each other and to all 15 of us. 16 "Now, therefore, be it resolved that I, 17 James J. Tedesco, Executive of the County of Bergen 18 in the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim March 10th-16th, 2019 'Girl Scouts Week.'" 19 MS. COOPER: Awesome! 20

[APPLAUSE]

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: And we have one for your Chief Executive Officer, so you can take that back with you, if you please.

I think after the Freeholder Chairwoman

1 gives you theirs, I think we'll take some pictures. CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We have one also on 2 behalf of the Board of Chosen Freeholders. 4 It says: "2.5 million current Girl Scout members 5 nationwide will be celebrating 107 years with the 6 American tradition, with nearly 60 million women who are former Girl Scouts and living proof of the impact 9 of this amazing movement. 10 "And, now, therefore, be it resolved 11 that the Bergen County Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby recognizes 'Girl Scouts of America Week' in 12 13 the County of Bergen." 14 Congratulations. 15 MS. COOPER: Thank you. 16 (Whereupon, the presentation is made.) 17 [APPLAUSE] 18 DONATION BY GIRL SCOUT TROOP #97499 TO DIVISION OF VETERANS SERVICES 19 20 CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: It is my 21 understanding that one of the Girl Scout Troops, 97499, made a decision that all of their donated 22 23 cookies would go to the veterans. 24 At this point they have 36 boxes of 25 cookies that they would like to donate to the county,

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    specifically to the Division of Veterans Services.
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                   [APPLAUSE]
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: A.J. Luna, Division
    Director, is here with us.
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                   I'd like to ask A.J. and the County
    Executive to join us, so the troop and Ms. Cooper can
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    present their donations.
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    PUBLIC COMMENT
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: May I have a motion
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    to open the meeting to the public?
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                   FREEHOLDER GANZ: So moved.
                   FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Second.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: All in favor?
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                   (All present Freeholders respond in the
    affirmative.)
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Opposed?
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                   (No response.)
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We will now have the
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    Hearing of the General Public, with a three-minute
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    time limit in effect, in accordance with the Bergen
    County Freeholder bylaws.
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                   The Board Attorney will keep the time.
    When the time of the speaker expires, the Board
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    Attorney will announce the time has expired.
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Is there anyone from the public who would like to speak?

Mr. Powers.

MR. POWERS: Since you only have two resolutions, I got 15 minutes. Is that right?

CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Unfortunately not.

FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN: Is that enough?

MR. POWERS: I don't think so.

I've been actually having some interesting conversations with folks at Green Acres about their concern about sort of maintaining both recreation and open space commitments. One of the things that I think that the county needs to think about, as it expands its trust funds, as you are so dramatically, is how those commitments being made by municipalities are going to be carried forward.

I want to connect that to something that I have spent a lot of my time on.

Back about 30 years ago now, 25 years ago, I was asked by the Justice Department and the head of the EPA Superfund Program if I would actually own a Superfund site, and I did. I actually got commitment from the district court that unless I was really grossly negligent, I would not be responsible. The idea was to try to figure out was there some

reuse that could be made of that very complex site.

We figured out sort of 3 or 4 different kinds of

reuse to make, given the different kinds of

contamination effort.

And I was asked by EPA, well, there must be some secret to having done that.

And I said, well, one thing is owning a Superfund site, most people don't want to do that, but I also said that no one had any idea about what that would actually involve, I said, but the way to find out is to conduct a pilot program.

And EPA undertook 300 pilots across the country, from Maine to Alaska and Puerto Rico to Southern California, to try to figure out in different context, different kinds of contamination, different kinds of reuses, different kinds of remediation that would be consistent with protecting health but actually using property. At the time -- many of you are too young to know this -- at the time there was almost no reuse of contaminated property and everything had to go to green fields. That was a really major problem.

And so we went out and sort of -- and this book is actually the result (indicating). We actually became EPA's mechanism for tracking all 300

of these sites and trying to figure out what the lessons were associated with them.

They are very complex, but let me say one thing that I think is very relevant to some of the issues that Bergen County is going to be facing. You've got some places where it makes no sense whatsoever to try to get all the way back to residential standards, given the complexity of the contamination. There are other places where you can. But sorting out which of those you can and can't and what kinds of uses you can use, I mean, if you're not having kids digging dirt up all the time, you can in fact do certain kinds of remediation where you might just otherwise be leaving the land completely fallow for the long-term.

Getting those issues right is going to interact, I think, effectively with the evolution of what you're doing with the now grossly enlarged county trust program.

MR. FLORIO: It's three minutes, Mr.

Powers.

MR. POWERS: Okay.

But I think it's something you need to think about. There are some really interesting lessons in this, and I'm hoping that the county, both

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    at the executive level and with you folks, is going
    to work hard on that. Because getting that right in
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    the densest state in the country, getting it right,
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    using the land effectively, finding out ways to
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    construct, finding out ways where we probably
    shouldn't be constructing, and making those decisions
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    right, I think you're going to have a lot to do with,
    I think Bergen County can easily be the focal point
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    for that and I draw your attention to that.
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                   Thank you.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Thank you, Mr.
    Powers.
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                   MS. ROGOVIN: I've been here before.
    I'm Paula Ragovin. I'm from Teaneck, New Jersey, and
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    with the Coalition to Ban Unsafe Oil Trains and Don't
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    Gas the Meadowlands Coalition.
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                   I wasn't at the meeting last week.
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                   VICE-CHAIRWOMAN AMOROSO: Oh, you
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    missed it.
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                   MS. ROGOVIN: Sen. Weinberg held a
    forum about fire safety legislation, and I was there.
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    But I heard that somebody said that because the
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    Meadowlands power plant would be in Hudson County and
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    not Bergen County, that it's not a problem that the
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    Bergen Freeholders have to deal with.
                   And so I say, it is a problem that the
    Freeholder Board should deal with.
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                   The Bergen County League of
    Municipalities and the Hackensack Meadowlands
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    Municipal Committee, both of them passed resolutions
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    opposing the power plant.
                   So, the question is why, why is it your
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    problem also and our problem in Bergen County?
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                   I am just wondering, just of the
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    Freeholders, how many of you have a family member
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    with asthma?
                   VICE-CHAIRWOMAN AMOROSO:
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                   MS. ROGOVIN: Or COPD?
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                   Cancer?
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                   I think probably all of us do.
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                   So it's our problem. And perhaps Bob
    Dylan has the answer. I student taught his daughters
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    decades ago.
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                   FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN: That must have
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    been fun.
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                   MS. ROGOVIN: I never met him once, no.
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                   But he had the answer and he said, "The
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    answer, my friends, is blowing in the wind, the
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1 answer is blowing in the wind."

And I'm not going to sing the whole song, you probably know it, but that's the reason it's our problem, because the emissions, according to the applicant, Mitsubishi, there would be CO₂, methane, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxide, lead, sulfur dioxide, arsenic, benzene, manganese, mercury, and it's a much longer list, I can give you the list, it's at NoMeadowlandsPowerPlant.com. Those are just some of the things that would be blowing in the wind, and we're all around the Meadowlands, so we would be getting those pollutants in the air.

Now, the DEP, the Department of Environmental Protection, when we met with them two times in Trenton, said that most of the those emissions would be below the cap.

Well, that's great, it's great, but does that mean we're not going to get them into our lungs? Of course not.

And I said that about ozone last time I was here, that we can bag credits for the ozone from the power plants that are operating with coal.

MR. FLORIO: Three minutes, Ms.

24 Rogovin.

MS. ROGOVIN: We can get ozone credits,

- 1 but we still get the ozone in our lungs.
- So I'm pleading with you, please, to
- 3 introduce a resolution opposing the Meadowlands power
- 4 plant.
- 5 CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: What I said at the
- 6 | meeting was, we have spoken to the Governor's Office,
- 7 | we have spoken to DEP. They're doing a thorough
- 8 | review. They know all your concerns. But the Bergen
- 9 | County Freeholder Board, our jurisdiction is the
- 10 | County of Bergen and not our neighboring counties or
- 11 even state controlled land. And especially us
- 12 governing other counties, that is not our
- 13 | responsibility. And I know they're going to be doing
- 14 | a thorough job. We're definitely on top of this. I
- 15 | mean, if it's going to endanger the residents of
- 16 | Bergen County, there's going to be bigger measures,
- 17 | not a ceremonial resolution, is not going to stop
- 18 | anything. It's really not. And believe me, we're on
- 19 top of it.
- 20 We're here to protect our residents,
- 21 | but a resolution is not going to do anything.
- MS. ROGOVIN: It's a ceremonial thing.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: It is, it's
- 24 | ceremonial, but it's not our jurisdiction.
- MS. ROGOVIN: 46 towns in Bergen County

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who have said it is our problem because of the air

pollution and they passed resolutions. 46 towns have

down that so far. And so, you know --

CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Thank you. I

understand.

MS. ROGOVIN: We see a resolution as
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 $\label{eq:MS.ROGOVIN:} \text{We see a resolution as}$ just a beginning point.

CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We will continue to look out for the interests of our residents, believe me.

FREEHOLDER TANELLI: I would think that a resolution by the Hudson County Freeholder Board and a resolution by Hudson County communities that neighbor this power plant is much stronger than coming to a Freeholder Board in Bergen County and asking them to oppose it.

 $\label{eq:continuous} I \mbox{ understand that a lot of towns do}$ ceremonial resolutions all the time. Why? I'm not sure.

But I, for one, I'm not speaking for my colleagues, I don't want to pass a ceremonial resolution that's going to be waved like a flag and tried to use it as a hammer.

If Hudson comes out and says they're not for it, then this Board will sit and re-review

1 | what's going on.

And, like the Chairwoman said, we've all been in contact with the staff down at the Governor's Office and told them our concerns to see where this is going.

So you're asking us to pass a ceremonial resolution so that it could be used to hammer Hudson County. Why don't you get Hudson County to pass it first and then tell us?

MS. ROGOVIN: I live right here in

Bergen County.

FREEHOLDER TANELLI: I live in the Meadowlands. I'm going to be able to see it.

MS. ROGOVIN: It is something that will impact us. I drove there yesterday. North Bergen and Ridgefield are right next to each other. It's like within a few hundred yards. So it's technically in Hudson, but the air belongs to all of us in this region.

And if we have a ceremonial resolution from the Bergen County Freeholders and 46 plus towns and we have some elected officials who have taken a stand, Sen. Weinberg, Assemblyman Gordon Johnson, Valerie Huttle, if we have collectively, we put together a ceremonial resolution --

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                   MR. FLORIO: Your time to speak has
    expired, Ms. Rogovin.
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                   MS. ROGOVIN: Yes.
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                   It will have an impact.
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                   Thank you.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ:
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                   May I have a motion to close the
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    hearing to the public?
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                   FREEHOLDER GANZ: So moved.
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                   FREEHOLDER VOSS: Second.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Oh, I'm sorry.
    Sorry, County Executive.
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                   FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN: Can I have a
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    motion to reopen?
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                   FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: No, we didn't
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    even vote on it.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: No, we didn't.
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                   COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: Thank you,
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    Freeholder Chairwoman. I'm sorry I didn't grab your
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    ear when we were talking. I tried to.
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                   I wanted to give an update to the board
    in regards to something that the administration has
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    been working on over the last four years now.
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    Administrator for shepherding this project in and all
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the folks that were part of it, but part of one of
the things that we as a new administration four years
ago recognized that was lacking in Bergen County was
that the employees could look at, review, and
understand about the rules and regulations of their
behavior and county government in particular.

And so we believe that at that point we wanted to come up with a county employee handbook.

I'm happy to say to all of you that I'm in possession of the final draft.

CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Wonderful!

VICE-CHAIRWOMAN AMOROSO: Nice

finishing going through it. And once that we're completed with it, we'll be giving it off to the Freeholders for their review and for their approval. But we've met with the unions, we've talked to everybody. They are -- I don't want to say as excited as we are -- but they are as welcoming as we are in regards to having a document that everybody can understand and know what their role and responsibility is in a myriad of different scenarios.

So I wanted to give you all that update today, that as soon as I'm finished getting my chance to look at it, I'll be giving it back to the

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    Administrator and then --
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                   FREEHOLDER TANELLI: A little light
    reading.
                   COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO:
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    little. It's almost 200 pages.
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    and get it to the Freeholders for their review and
    their action. So I just wanted to give that update
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    to the Freeholders.
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                   COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO: Thank you.
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                   FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Very exciting.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Thank you, County
    Executive.
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                   May I have a motion to close to the
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    public?
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                   FREEHOLDER GANZ: So moved.
                   FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN: So moved.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: All in favor?
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                   (All present Freeholders respond in the
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    affirmative.)
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Opposed?
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                   (No response.)
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    RESOLUTIONS
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We will now review
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    the resolutions to be voted on tonight.
                   MS. RODRIGUEZ: Resolutions #230-19
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    through #232-19.
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                   FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN: Madam Chairwoman,
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    can we do #230-19 as a Body of the Whole, and #231 as
    a Body of the Whole, and #232 as a Body of the Whole.
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    I mean, I personally would like to sponsor #232, but
    that's okay, being I'm the only Irish person on the
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    board.
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                   VICE-CHAIRWOMAN AMOROSO: Well, I think
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    given that there are two Irish people, we should both
    co-sponsor, and we're both from Bergenfield.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Touché.
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                   FREEHOLDER SULLIVAN: I love it.
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                   VICE-CHAIRWOMAN AMOROSO: Chairwoman, I
    was wondering if we could talk about #230, which is a
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    grant with a very interesting piece to it.
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                   Ken.
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                   MR. ARDIZZONE: Good evening,
    Freeholders.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Good evening.
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                   FREEHOLDER AMOROSO: How are you?
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                   FREEHOLDER TANELLI: It's very
    uncomfortable to be the only person here with a
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    resolution on the agenda.
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Good thing it's a grant.

FREEHOLDER AMOROSO: He's ready, and it's great.

MR. ARDIZZONE: This is actually a grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance. They are a technology in police services, it's called a TIPS grant, and it's for \$500,000. And what we're asking you to do is to approve a little over \$67,000 to go to Rutgers University as a partner with us in this project we're doing.

It's basically an information sharing system wherein we're doing things a little bit differently. We're adding private sector information to the information sharing system. And it's going to include health services, maybe hospitals, things like that.

And the first thing that comes to people's mind is, we can't get information from hospitals because of HIPAA regulations. So the way we're building the model is we're going to send a query towards the hospitals, and they will respond with a go or no go. So we're really not getting information, we'll just get a response out of the hospitals that will help this model determine if somebody is at risk to become addicted to opioids or

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    things of that nature. So we're trying to identify
    people who are at risk, before they get into the
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    system.
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                   So it's a relatively new concept.
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    think this particular company we're looking at,
    Tetris, to put the system together, has one in
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    Massachusetts that's working well. Our thoughts are
    to take lessons learned there and make it a little
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    bit bigger and better here in Bergen County.
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    innovative in terms of how we handle the queries, and
    there may be bidirectional. So if the hospitals need
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    information from law enforcement, we may be able to
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    do the same type of concept, the go or no go response
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    back, so they're not really getting law enforcement
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    information but they're getting an answer to their
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    query.
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                   FREEHOLDER AMOROSO: On an individual
    at risk of opioid or various addictions?
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                   MR. ARDIZZONE: Various addictions,
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    yes.
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                   FREEHOLDER VOSS:
                                                      Thank
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: That's great.
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    you.
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MR. ARDIZZONE: You're welcome.

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                   That was easy.
                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: May I have a motion
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    to accept the Resolutions on the Consent Agenda?
                   FREEHOLDER GANZ: So moved.
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                   MR. FLORIO: Before that motion is
    considered, Chairwoman, has sponsorship of these
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    various resolutions been decided?
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Oh, sorry.
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                   VICE-CHAIRWOMAN AMOROSO: I think we're
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    going Body of the Whole.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: They're all going to
    be as a Body of the Whole.
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                   MR. FLORIO: Thank you.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: May I have a motion
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    to accept the Resolutions on the Consent Agenda as
16
    read by the Clerk?
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                   FREEHOLDER GANZ: So moved.
                   FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Second.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: All in favor?
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                   (All present Freeholders respond in the
21
    affirmative.)
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Roll call, please.
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                   (At this point in the proceeding roll
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    call is taken and the Consent Agenda is passed by a
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    unanimous vote.)
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                   MS. RODRIGUEZ: With seven ayes, the
    Consent Agenda is approved.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Are there any
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    Resolutions of Nonconsent, pulled or tabled?
                   If so, will the Clerk please read.
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                   MS. RODRIGUEZ: There are none.
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    CLOSED SESSION
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We will now go into
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    Closed Session for approximately 20 minutes, and then
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    we will return to Public Session.
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                   Will the attorney briefly state the
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    matter for which we will be discussing in Closed
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    Session.
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                   MR. FLORIO: I think County Counsel
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    might have something.
                   ACTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR NEALS: Yes,
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    just updates on legal matters.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: May I have a motion
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    to go into Closed Session?
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                   FREEHOLDER VOSS: So moved.
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                   FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Second.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: All in favor?
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                   (All present Freeholders respond in the
    affirmative.)
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We are closed at
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5:09 p.m.
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                   (Whereupon, Closed Session is held.)
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                   (Open Session resumes at 5:15 p.m.)
                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: There being nothing
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    further to come before this meeting, may I have a
    motion to adjourn?
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                   FREEHOLDER TANELLI: So moved.
                   FREEHOLDER GANZ: So moved.
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                   FREEHOLDER SILNA ZUR: Second.
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: All in favor?
                   (All present Freeholders respond in the
11
    affirmative.)
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: Opposed?
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                   (No response.)
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                   CHAIRWOMAN ORTIZ: We are adjourned at
    5:15 p.m.
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                   (Whereupon, the Work Session is
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    adjourned at 5:15 p.m.)
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