Part 1: *Introduction: First Ratings*

Hi, are you ____(voter's name)? **[CONFIRM CORRECT VOTER CAME TO DOOR]**
My name is _____ and I'm with the Maine Action Team. We're talking with voters in your neighborhood today about abortion. Abortion is an issue that can bring out strong feelings for people and is not something that we talk about every day.

Today we are asking folks, on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 means there is no reason a woman should be able to get an abortion, 10 means women should be able to get an abortion for any reason, and in the middle means you think some reasons are okay and some are not, **where would you put yourself?**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
No Reason				**← ← Some Reasons →→**						**Any Reason**

Why does that number feel right to you? What's on either side of the issue for you?
What are some reasons that you think it is ok? Not ok?

Are you from Maine? How long have you lived here? What brought you to Maine?

Turn Over to continue

Part 5: Final Ratings and Explanation of Why

Now that we've been talking about this, on that same scale from before, where 0 means there is no reason a woman should be able to get an abortion, 10 means women should be able to get an abortion for any reason, and in the middle means you think some reasons are okay and some are not, **where would you put yourself?**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
No Reason				**← ← Some Reasons →→**						**Any Reason**

Why does that feel right for you?
[if number increased] ***What changed your mind?***
Why do you feel differently now than you did before?

<u>ASK EVERYONE:</u> **What's the best number to reach you at?** [write it on the walk list]

Part 6 [if 9 or 10 ONLY]: Take action

The Maine Action Team is part of Planned Parenthood here in Maine. Do you support the work of Planned Parenthood? *[if yes]* What is your best email address? [write it on the walk list]

So we are asking folks like yourself to call Senator Susan Collins and let her know you support safe and legal abortion and ask her to stand with Planned Parenthood. Will you call Senator Collins right now and leave her a message?

[if yes] Great! I will dial the phone number and hand it to you. Just leave a message, your name, address, and tell her you support safe and legal abortion and ask her to stand with Planned Parenthood. (*202-224-2523*)

[if no] No worries. Thank you for talking with me today.

Start Time: _____ End Time: _____

Part 2: Surface experiences, beliefs, and values

I'm a volunteer with the Maine Action Team, a part of Planned Parenthood, and as I mentioned, I am talking to people in your neighborhood about abortion. I'm curious, what shaped your views on abortion?

Tell me more about that…
How has that informed your beliefs?
What are some times in your life when you talked about abortion?

Have you known anyone who has had an abortion or considered having one?

[*if none*] **What about someone who found themselves pregnant and wasn't planning to be? Or didn't want to be? or had a pregnancy scare?**

Tell me more about that…
How did that make you feel? How did she feel?
Do you think she was supported? Did you provide support?

(consider the value(s) the voter is expressing, validate and connect or challenge)

3: Draw the line between values and abortion. Explore voter's reactions.

When I think about what has shaped my own beliefs about abortion, I think about…
Share your story. Include personal details.

Tap into your shared values with voter:
you also really care about your family and want to do right by them.
making your own decisions is also really important to you.
You also really try and treat others fairly.
You also believe it's important to stand by your friends, even if you don't see eye to eye.

Pause for reaction

What do you think? How does that make you feel? Tell me more…

4: Surface and address contradictions. Build resolution. Make your case.

I'm curious, what do you think the experience should be like for a woman who has decided to end a pregnancy?

Supported? Safe? Comfortable? Dignified? Should they have to walk through protesters? Should it be hard to get an abortion?

I really enjoyed talking with you today and you being so willing to share. I think we found somethings we agree on in our conversation. It's why I am out here talking to voters- because I believe that safe, legal abortion should be available for all women. I believe women should be supported in their decisions and not be judged. After all, everyone's path in life looks a little different.

Tell me more…Listen and affirm common ground. Wrap up and transition back to final rating on the front.

Start Time: _____ End Time: _____