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Honorable James Allison, Chairman
Honorable Herbert Hilliard, Vice Chairman
Honorable Kenneth Hill
Honorable David Jones
Honorable Robin Bennett
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
502 Deaderick St., 4th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

IN RE: PETITION OF PLAINS AND EASTERN CLEAN LINE LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY APPROVING A PLAN TO CONSTRUCT A TRANSMISSION LINE AND TO OPERATE AS AN ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION PUBLIC UTILITY

Dear Directors,

How do you know that Plains and Eastern Clean Line LLC isn't taking our nation's energy future in the wrong direction? They have absolutely no experience building transmission lines, much less projects of this magnitude (3X the power of Hoover Dam). Exactly who is their market? Where are all the wind farms in dire need of those lines? Since this has never been done before, where is any "real" proof that their projects are the only answer to our energy woes?

Perpetuity is forever—eminent domain's power takes the landowner's rights away forever, and yet the transmission line sitting on that land has a life that lasts only about 40-50 years. Where's there any common sense in this?

Landowners will be forced to give up their property rights-- for forever. Truthfully now, would you want to be one of the landowners? Wouldn't it also be a bit disconcerting to find out in the process of being stripped of those rights that at any point a foreign investor can come in and buy up those rights. Do you suppose the land would still be used for a "clean" energy project? How happy would you be to see a few more projects move in because you no longer have any control over the land that was once yours?

Perpetuity and eminent domain seem like very dangerous teammates especially when private corporations backed by billionaire investors are also a big part of the equation.

If the tax credits, subsidies, money mongering private corporations, lobbyists, and political motivation didn't exist, how much of a "real" need would there be for any of Clean Line Energy Partner's projects?

I have invested a lot of time and energy trying to find the "real" need. To date I still believe that all of Clean Line Energy Partners' projects are nothing more than a major land grab driven by greed. Unfortunately greed not only can lead to environmentally destructive practices but also to catastrophic accidents that can last for generations.

Please take a long and hard look at this project before reaching your decision. There seems to be so much "under oath" proof out there that supports the possibility that this could be one of the all time national disasters our country has experienced, if it is built. Once the damage has been done, it can never be reversed. I ask that you do not approve Plains and Eastern Clean Line LLC's transmission line nor allow them to operate as an Electric Transmission Public Utility. Thank You.

Sincerely, Sharon Bean 2612 B Rd Beloit, KS 67420