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In reference to docket number: 1400036  
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:

Let me respectfully submit to you once again, some of our concerns in Arkansas. Is Plains & Eastern Clean Line, LLC going to retain this project once all easements are bought and the state is scarred from one end to the other by the transmission lines? It does not seem logical they would since they are not a utility and not a very large group. National Grid in the U.K. , on the other hand who has 40% interest in this project, might very well be interested. If National Grid did acquire the company's easements, this would void all agreements with everyone involved, including the Tennessee Valley Authority. Would you intentionally partner with this company, who has never owned a utility, nor had any good conscious outreach to the landowners/stakeholders in Arkansas? Clean Line says they have had several outreaches, but why then have there been so many people unaware of this project? We still talk to people here that are oblivious to it.

If this project was underground or run on existing easements, like the railroad easements, or other public easements it would be much more environmentally friendly. It might cost more money on the front end, but in the end it would be more cost effective. There would not be a threat of tornadoes, (we are in tornado alley) or ice and snow storms disrupting service to everyone on line with the High Voltage Direct Current Transmission Lines. Also terrorist attacks would not be as easily accomplished.

There would not be any need to TAKE private land by eminent domain and ruin landscape by clear cutting 700 acres of land through three states, cost the state tourism dollars, take thousands of landowner's property, depress the economy in pass-through states, or raise electric rates in generating

states. Arkansans would experience substantial and permanent property devaluation of the right of way property and neighboring properties that would never be recovered or compensated.

TVA seems to be encouraging Clean Line to borrow billions of dollars to construct transmission lines just so they can consider it as an "option"? TVA says they already have contracted for 1500 megawatts of wind energy, so that leaves 1000 megawatts of renewable energy left to purchase by their identified 2500 megawatts of renewable energy options. So for 1000 megawatts of energy left to purchase, you would put your neighbors in jeopardy of losing their land and the whole state of Arkansas in jeopardy of all the above-mentioned scenarios?

If given the same circumstances that Arkansas is faced with, Tennessee would also be complaining about their landowner/stakeholder rights. Your state only has a small portion of land affected. Clean Line has been on their best behavior in Tennessee because they know if your state rejects their project, it would end this obscene land grab.

Please remember too, that the Production Tax Credit is going to play an important part in keeping your consumer's electricity rates down. That probably is not going to happen with this new Republican controlled Congress. If the PTC was reinstated, for how long, and if only for a short time, how do you see this playing out? The windmills in California are closed because of the same problem, it was not cost effective to keep them on line. If that happened with this project, then who disassembles the huge towers that our state is scarred by? Nobody locally would be able to accomplish that task. We are then left with useless monstrosities, even making this whole process worse.

I urge you to please consider these things before you allow this project to go forward.

Respectfully,

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