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To: <u>Congestion Study Comments</u>

Subject: I am opposed to the establishment of National Interest Energy Transmission Corridors

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I am opposed to the establishment of National Interest Energy Transmission Corridors (NIETC's) for the following reasons.

- -First, the easements place an undo burden on landowners on and near the line. The compensation cannot begin to cover the all of the losses, tangible and intangible that landowners would suffer.
- -Second, the eastern states should develop the utility scale wind resources conveniently located just a few miles off-shore near the load centers along the eastern seaboard thus eliminating hundreds of miles of harmful and costly transmission lines through private, productive farm land and timber.
- -Third, renewable energy sources ought to be developed and used within the regions. The regional economies will benefit when the money is retained in the local economy rather than exporting it.
- -Forth, They would only serve as terrorist targets to cripple our grid and help in trying to shut down our economy.

Thank You, Curt Jacobs 309-314-3603