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Dear Secretary Moniz:

It's interesting that when the U.S. Dept. of Energy considers whether Clean Line Energy's Plains & Eastern project meets all the statutory criteria of Section 1222 of the 2005 Energy Policy Act, it will also consider several "factors" that were created especially for the 2010 Request for Proposals. None of these DOE-created "factors" are found anywhere in Section 1222, nor are there any regulations, definitions or other objective criteria by which these "factors" may be measured. Transparency has been lost. It appears that the Department of Energy is simply making up the rules as it goes about the process of playing energy kingmaker, enriching billionaires at the expense of ordinary citizens.

Such invented "factors" include whether the project is in the public interest, as well as consideration of the benefits and impacts of the Project in each state it traverses, including economic and environmental factors.

Due diligence requires fair consideration of the economic interests of the public in "pass-through" states, and not merely a balancing act whereby some members of the public benefit, while other must sacrifice. It's not simply a math equation to figure out which group is larger. You're playing with the economic survival of real people here!

Here's how my economic interests will be compromised by approval of Plains & Eastern:

Even though the line is not planned to cross my property, it will be less than mile if either option to place the line. One route will be visible from my place and the other maybe. I think it will devalue my property. I bought my place in 1980 and my family made economic sacrifices to pay for it. Hard work and lower standard of living. I'm planning on leaving the place to my son and I hope it will be enjoyable for him and his family. I think looking at the power line would suck. If my wife and I decide to sell it, or if my son decides to sell, I would not like it if it became worth less. I also think it will scare off potential new residents and affect area businesses, which my son and I own businesses. Less people, less business. It would also effect tourism, which is a major economic sector here. Greers Ferry lake is just up the road. Overall this power line will have a negative effect on our economy and my families well being.

The Plains & Eastern Clean Line does not meet even DOE's made up "factors" and therefore its application must be denied.

Very truly yours,

Name  
Address