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To: Plainsandeantern
Subject: PLAINS & EASTERN CLEAN LINE TRANSMISSION LINE - PART 2 APPLICATION

Dear Dr. Moniz,

I am writing you regarding the Non-NEPA Section 1222 review for Clean Line Energy Partners, LLC's proposed Plains & Eastern HVDC line.

The Comment period does not give us adequate time to review Clean Line's application in its entirety, and I am requesting an extension to the comment period. A project of this scope requires a comment period that allows the general public ample time to analyze its merits and comment fully.

All of us, the stakeholders, landowners, and the general public, were not presented with this application, the materials and appendices, and we received no explanation of the process and criteria with which the Department of Energy will review and make a determination on this project in a formal setting, as was done with the Draft EIS. We need public hearings to comment on this application, which is even more important than the EIS. Please schedule public hearings as soon as possible and provide wide notice to the public.

As you consider the requests for extension and a more formal process, please understand that much of the Part-2 Application is held from public view making assessment of the merits of the application difficult if not impossible. For information that may be sensitive to the Applicant, DOE should allow a number of qualified individuals (or their representatives) that claim to be adversely impacted by the project, and who have signed non-disclosure agreements, full access to all materials relevant to the Part-2 Application. Currently, there is no "Ad Litem" legal representation appointed to represent the public who finds themselves unable to fully cope with the legal and technical merits of the Application. DOE should require and fund an "Ad Litem" attorney to represent those who find themselves in the wake of the transmission line.

On behalf of myself and my neighbors,

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