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My name is Greg Kremers. I adamantly oppose the Plains and Eastern transmission line and the use of eminent domain for such. We are located on one of the preferred routes, with our home less than 150 feet from the center of the right of way. Since our property is small, we will lose almost half of our land as easment if this project is allowed to take place. Our home's value will plummet, causing us to owe considerably more than what it would be worth. This unneeded line would be a plight on our quality of life. The solitude and aesthetics of our small property would be forever ruined.

The Plains and Eastern has been highly opposed by citizens and local, state and federal leaders across several states. We were kept in the dark until the last minute about this project. We only became aware of Clean Line Energy's intention of acquiring our property in December 2014. Research and communication with others affected by this travesty revealed that Clean Line has been developing this since at least 2009.

In that period, there has never been any demonstration of need for Plains and Eastern. Clean Line has not secured any customers to purchase power from this line. The Tennessee Valley Authority's latest IRP shows that their current energy portfolio would not need the energy for another 15 years at the earliest, if at all. There are no suppliers waiting to generate power on this line. No wind farms currently exist. Currently, subsidies for wind farms in Oklahoma are being eliminated, further negating opportunities for the Plains and Eastern. Demand for energy is in decline thanks to more efficient building practices, appliances and conservation minded individuals.

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I would trust the expertise of an actual utility such as the TVA to properly evaluate the necessity, reliability and cost effectiveness of Plains and Eastern for its customers. Not Clean Line Energy Partners.

In closing, the cost of Plains and Eastern to the citizens of Arkansas far outweighs any benefits. This project may meet a few of the requirements of Section 1222, but most of the important ones have not been met. Plains and Eastern does not warrant government intervention and the use of eminent domain for private, speculative profit.

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