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My family and I are vehemently opposed to the establishment of National Interest Energy Transmission Corridors (NIETC's) for the following reasons.

First, the easements place an undo burden and decreased property values 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. Especially to those who live adjacent to these properties who receive no compensation but must suffer the losses in property value, visual impact, and health risks imposed.

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 of the end user. The regional economies will benefit when the money is retained in the local economy rather than exporting that energy (and the profits associated with the sale of that energy). I would like to believe that the DOE puts the will and best interests of the American people ahead of what is essentially land grabs for profit. I will do my very best to spread the word about what is at stake and the actions your office is considering.