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To: Plainsandeastern
Subject: RE: Support for the Plains & Eastern Clean Line under Section 1222 of EPAct of 2005
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Hello,

Please find attached a letter of support for the Plains & Eastern Clean Line project from Greenpeace USA.

Thank you,
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RE: Support for the Plains & Eastern Clean Line under Section 1222 of EPO Act of 2005

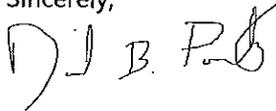
Dear Secretary Moniz,

I am writing to express support for the Plains & Eastern Clean Line and to urge the Department of Energy and Southwestern Power Administration to participate in the proposed project. This transmission project is in the public interest because it will stimulate economic development, create jobs, expand interregional transmission capacity, improve system reliability and, above all, reduce climate pollution by increasing the uptake of renewable energy in one of the regions where that is most needed.

While the U.S. has some of the best renewable resources in the world, there is a demand for transmission infrastructure to connect the best wind resources, which are located predominantly in remote areas, to distant cities and communities with a demand for low-cost clean energy. Existing transmission infrastructure connecting windy areas to the Mid-South and Southeast is almost completely saturated, and the cost of moving power through the grid as it stands today is rising due to congestion. Improved renewable energy transmission is a key component of any national transition away from climate polluting fossil fuels and toward a clean energy future and safer climate.

The Plains & Eastern Clean Line will address the increasing demand for interregional transmission capacity to move power from the wind-rich central United States to the Mid-South and Southeast. It is a much-needed infrastructure project for the public use and benefit.

Sincerely,



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