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**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2015 3:32 PM  
**To:** Plainsandeastern  
**Subject:** Plains & Eastern Clean Line Transmission Line - Part 2 Application  
**Attachments:** Ltr RJH to DOE 150607.pdf

Please include the attached comments to the application under consideration regarding the Plains & Eastern Clean Line Transmission Line project.

The courtesy of a receipt of this email and the attached comments would be appreciated.

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Reference: Plains & Eastern Clean Line Transmission Line – Part 2 Application

Dear Sir or Madam:

I'm writing to you on behalf of my friends and neighbors who stand to suffer egregious financial harm should Department of Energy grant Plains & Eastern Clean Line approval to construct, operate, and own the proposed transmission line under the provisions of the 2005 Energy Policy Act.

In its wisdom, the State of Arkansas has denied the Applicant right-of-*eminent domain*. Local governments who are in intimate touch with the people they represent have gone on record voicing their opposition. They recognize the staggering financial burden this project inflicts on those caught in its wake. US Senators and Representatives, as they discovered the unintended consequences of Section 1222, have similarly expressed their concern in letters to Secretary Moniz and by proposing changes to the law (S.485 – APPROVAL Act). Those in tune with the public's plight clearly understand that the damage to property values due to an unprecedented level of corona noise and visual pollution extends far beyond the easements where the transmission structures and lines transit, and where the restitution for damage inappropriately ends.

In reviewing the draft Environmental Impact Statement (dEIS) and when speaking with the Applicant, discerning minds find claims of socioeconomic justice are far out of touch with reality. Our concerns are driven by honest assessments, not by "NIMBY" (not in my backyard) positions. All of us share an interest in clean energy and recognize how it can serve our national interests. Nevertheless, our objections are rooted in how carelessly the project impacts those in its path and how an agency of the federal government appears to be siding with business interests at the expense of the citizens it is supposed to serve and protect.

While we may not always express ourselves well, as real people measurably impacted by the project, we implore you to carefully review the entire body of comments made to the dEIS that were submitted by impacted property owners. It is our belief that a key reason the Applicant should not be granted right(s)-of-eminant domain by DOE or the President of the United States is that this project creates an egregious level of unjust outcomes borne by hardworking citizens far beyond the right-of-way or transmission line easement.

Please see the attached illustration which portrays real impacts that have been ignored or denied in the dEIS and by the Applicant. A more detailed technical description of errors and omissions found in the dEIS, as it pertains to potential financial damage inflicted by corona noise, can be found on the YouTube video at <https://youtu.be/Kk09d2a-qqw> .

In conclusion, we beseech the decision makers at Department of Energy that they will not betray justice by approving the Applicant's request for right(s)-of-eminant domain. We trust, unlike the erroneous claims of socioeconomic justice found in the dEIS and the nefarious assertions expressed by the Applicant, that your scales will be honest and balanced.

Sincerely, and on behalf of my neighbors,



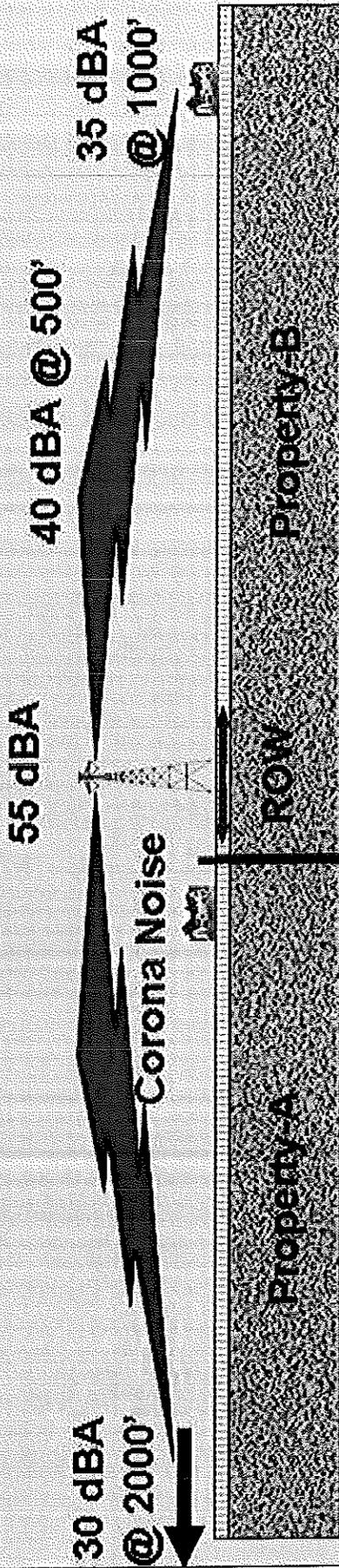
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Attachment

# NOISE POLLUTION DESTROYS HOME VALUE



## Owner-A Compensation - NONE

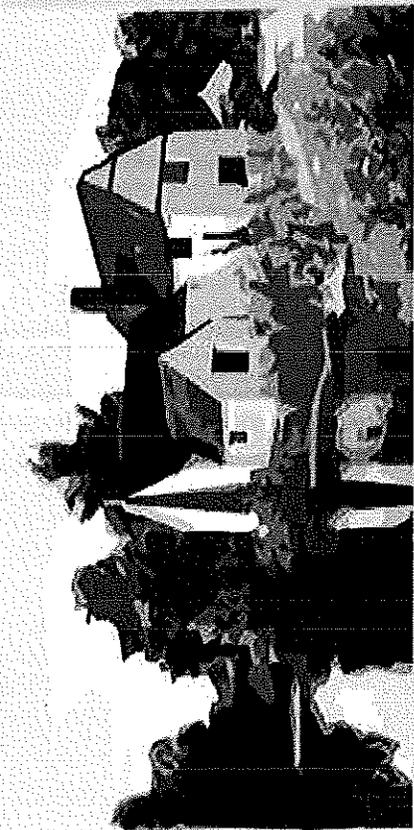
- Change in Home & Land value due to Visual & Noise Pollution is COMPLETELY IGNORED

## Owner-B Compensation - PARTIAL

- Right of Way - Yes
- Homes beyond ROW - No
- Change in Home & Land value due to Visual & Noise Pollution - No

Property Line

Low 30 dBA Rural Background Noise



## Corona Noise

- Continuous Hissing & Crackling destroys home value
- Make homes impossible to sell
- Ruins value of land set aside for home building
- Actual effects known only after line is placed into operation—too late then!