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Larry Jones
Administrative Law Judge
Illinois Commerce Commission
527 E. Capitol Ave.
Springfield, IL 62701

Re: Rock Island Clean Line Petition Illinois Commerce Commission
Docket Number 10-0579 (or subsequent re-filed petitions)

Dear Judge Jones:

Please be advised that as a resident of the State of Illinois I object to Rock Island Clean Line LLC's petition for a certificate as a public utility pursuant to 220 ILCS 5/8-406(a) as stated in Docket No. 10-0579.

I also object to any subsequent petitions filed on behalf of Rock Island Clean Line LLC seeking a certificate to construct a specific transmission line or other facilities pursuant to 220 ILCS 5/8-503, and a certificate to exercise the power of eminent domain in connection with the construction of facilities pursuant to 220 ILCS 5/8-509.

Illinois farmland, a non-renewable resource, should not be taken out of production by a private corporation for private gain. There is currently adequate public utility service for the residents of the State of Illinois and Rock Island Clean Line LLC's proposed project does not serve a public purpose. Rock Island Clean Line LLC's project has no legal justification to authorize the taking of private land for private gain.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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RE: Rock Island Clean Line Petition Illinois Commerce Commission Docket Number 10-0579

To: _____

I am seeking and requesting your help in blocking the petition to become a regulated utility filed by Rock Island Clean Line pursuant to Illinois Commerce Commission Docket Number 10-0579 or subsequent re-filed petitions. If Rock Island Clean Line becomes a regulated utility and obtains eminent domain, they are seeking to take out of production in perpetuity over twelve thousand (12,000) acres of some of the best farmland in the world. This proposal is to bring energy produced from outside Illinois to the grid in Morris, Illinois to be then used primarily outside of Illinois. There are a large number of land owners who are all objecting to granting regulated utility status with eminent domain to Rock Island Clean Line. We would ask for your help in blocking this company from getting eminent domain to take our farmland. There are better alternatives to our local taxing bodies and our jobs for Illinois other than allowing this project to proceed. If they are granted regulated utility status, there should be an alternative route other than coming across the best farmland in the Midwest. This farmland is needed for the production of food for future generations and should not be taken out of production.

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