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Mr. Birkholz:

I attended the public comment meeting in Alexandria on January 19.

We have farm land in the alternate route of the line that would be affected. From talking to some of the project point people, it would seem that there would be every effort made to make the siting of the line as painless as possible for the the landowners. That is good to hear. I can vividly remember the last powerline project which was handled badly by all parties concerned, and I would hope that this would not be a repeat of that effort. I firmly believe that new transmission lines are going to be needed in the future if electricity is going to be moved across the grid. Especially if wind generation is going to be an important part of future electric generation. We cannot bury our heads in the sand and pretend that electric demand is not going to grow.

We have no issues with the line crossing our land as long as we are treated fairly, and the decision making process on the state's level is not dictated entirely by politics.

Sincerely,

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