

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

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Dear Colleague:

We urge your support of our amendment to limit FY 2008 funding to implementation of Section 1221 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. We are only asking for a year's time-out to allow Congress to fully understand and consider this issue which we believe is an assault on state rights, private property rights, historic heritage and efforts to become energy independent.

- Due Process:** This section of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 was never debated or subject to a vote by the full House.
- Coming Soon to a Neighborhood Near You:** Today the draft designations affect 11 states but the next series include all or parts of 29 more states.
- Preemption of State Authority:** State siting decisions, comprehensive energy plans and efforts to promote energy efficiency and independence are completely disregarded.
- Eminent Domain:** Private utility companies will be able to exercise federal eminent domain to seize the property of landowners.
- Destruction of National Treasures:** Sites protected by state and local designation or easements have no protection and even federally protected sites are in jeopardy.
- Energy Independence Undermined:** Energy independence efforts are undermined since development of clean energy sources located near load centers would be discouraged along with investment in demand side management, superconductor and smart grid technology.
- Just some of the groups concerned about designation of National Interest Electric Transmission Corridors include:**

National Governor's Association  
People's Alliance for Clean Energy  
Civil War Preservation Trust  
Sierra Club  
Environmental Defense Fund  
National Park Service  
Federal Trade Commission

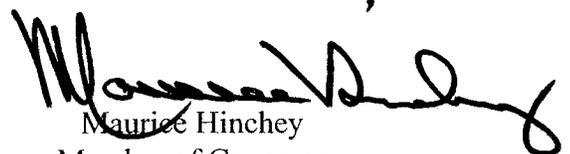
American Farm Bureau  
American Council for an Energy  
Efficient Economy  
National Association of State Utility  
Consumer Advocates  
Presidents's Advisory Council on  
Historic Preservation

Sincerely,



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