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Re: Request for Rehearing, Mid-Atlantic Area National Corridor, Docket No. 2007-OE-01

• **Comments:**

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October 30, 2007

Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability
OE-20, U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue SW
Washington, DC 20585

Attn: Docket No. 2007-OE-01

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to request a rehearing of the designation of the Mid-Atlantic Area National Corridor (Docket No. 2007-OE-01). The concerns I and many others raised during the original hearing period have yet to be addressed. In addition, many elected officials such as Virginia Governor Tim Kaine and members of Congress have spoken in opposition to the corridor.

Designation of the Mid-Atlantic Area National Corridor unnecessarily infringes on my rights as a citizen of the United States. I have a right to own and use my property. I also do not deserve to live in constant fear that my land could one day be taken by a power company with little or no approval. I should not have to worry about the effects a potential future power line would have on my health and livelihood.

Also, we as landowners are not responsible for the poor planning and overdevelopment that has gone on in such places as D.C. and New York. Why weren't these supposed energy needs addressed and planned for when this overdevelopment began? How would this corridor solve the root problem of poor planning?

I am a member of a farming family. We own a small farm in Virginia not that far from D.C. We enjoy this rewarding way of life. And as the providers for this country, we deserve better than to have our land made available for power lines and our livelihood threatened. If there was ever some national or global crisis, the U.S. could still feed its own. However, agricultural land and farmers need to be protected for this to be ensured.

In addition, I feel that the few hearings originally held were not sufficient to allow the public to speak and be heard. The meetings that were held were far from the communities most affected. Not only is a rehearing needed, the process needs to be made more available to the public.

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It is clear that the DOE has not sufficiently considered the opposition of the public to the proposed corridor. The ramifications of such an action have not been fully addressed. I again request a rehearing on the Mid-Atlantic Area National Corridor (Docket No. 2007-OE-01).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda G. Arrington".

Linda G. Arrington