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Dear Ohio Siting Board,

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I am a resident of Clay Street in Thompson Township, Geauga County, Ohio. I have just learned of a proposed electrical transmission line that would run from Mosely Road in Thompson Township to Mayfield Road in Huntsburg Township. As a concerned citizen, I am asking for you help in stopping this project. The following reasons are just a few of my concerns:

- The lines would run through the front yards of each and every residence along the proposed route which will hundreds of property owners, not just a few
- Loss in property value
- Abandonment of homes by those who are unable to sell their homes when necessary
- The loss of thousands of trees
- Possible health dangers to those living close to the transmission lines

Why is Clay Street being considered for this project? The obvious reason is that it would be easier and cheaper for the power company to run these lines at the proposed route rather than in the county of where the power is actually being used. This project in no way benefits those that it harms the most. For our economical losses, we wouldn't receive upgraded or cheaper electrical services, be fairly compensated, or mend any longterm effects. Also, if these lines are dangerous to our health, the damage would be irreparable.

There are alternatives to the Clay Street route. CEI has also proposed a route that would run along Route 528, which will be less detrimental. A more acceptable alternative would be to build the lines further East in Ashtabula County, where it is less populated and where the services will be rendered.

I am asking for your help in stopping this project from proceeding on Clay Street as the harsh effects outweigh any positive outcome.

Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,

Charles Reardon

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