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June 12, 2008

Dear Ohio Power Siting Board Member,

The 9<sup>th</sup> grade Biology project at The Hershey Montessori School Adolescent Program in Huntsburg, Ohio (guided by Rachel McKinney and Jim Ewert-Krocker) researched a local issue regarding the proposal by First Energy Corporation to construct a 138kV transmission line through the fields, forests, and land of many of our neighbors. The students reviewed First Energy's application to the Ohio Power Siting Board and became well versed in the criteria that are used to select potential routes. After researching and presenting this information to many local residents and political leaders, the students have made a statement against the construction of this transmission line on the basis of many factors including further destruction of agricultural land and the lack of focus on long term planning of sustainable energy sources. This statement is in the form of a video called *People, Place, and Power*.

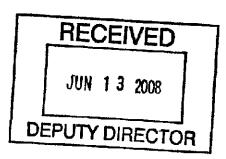
We hope you have the time to view this video, which is included, and consider it as a statement from the future citizens of Ohio as to why this proposed transmission line is unacceptable.

Sincerely,

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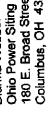
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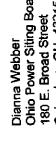
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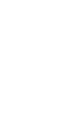
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