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Dear Commissioners,

We are writing to you in regards to the proposed power line(Case #2006-00463)by East Kentucky Power through our family's 100 acre farm in Lancaster, Garrard County, KY. We have attended numerous meetings, written letters, tried to intervene, requested that EKP choose a different route, spoken with environmentalists and attorneys and all to no avail. We are now asking you, as commissioners to hear our plea and ask this power company to choose a different route. We already have an 8 line/2 bar power line owned by Kentucky Utilities running through our farm in a North-South direction. The EKP line would run over these lines in an East-West direction. Standing in close proximity to this proposed line is our 150 year old tobacco barn, still in use, our farm spring and our creek that waters our cattle. If EKP is allowed to use our farm they will clear-cut 100+year old trees, spray herbicides in and around our livestock water sources and own a 150' path through the middle of our farm. If they, in the future, decide they need additional lines, they will have the right to run parallel lines next to these. Where have our rights gone in this world when the land that we work hard for, claim as our heritage and maintain, can be taken away by a large company trying to position themselves for a "future" expansion? We, the Kirby family, are all proud to call this farm our home, we are stewards of this land and if EKP is allowed to take it now they can expand as they need to, taking even more of our farm.

We are asking you now, before you reach a decision that will affect our future from now on, to consider our rights as landowners and request that EKP find a different route for this line.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Joanna , Sytira and Mike Kirby