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March 11, 2003

Ms. Frances C. Stokes
304 Combs Ferry Road
Richmond, KY 40475

Re: Case No. 2002-00312
Kentucky Pioneer Energy

Dear Ms. Stokes:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your March 10 letter regarding the power plant in Trapp, Kentucky. Your letter will be placed in the main case file of this case for consideration by the Board.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Dorman
Executive Director
on behalf of
The Kentucky State Board on
Electric Generation and Transmission Siting

cc: Parties of Record





TO: Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Sites
Fax (502) 564-9625

FROM: Frances C. Stokes

DATE: March 10, 2003

RE: AGAINST the Kentucky Pioneer Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle Demonstration Project

RECEIVED
KENTUCKY STATE BOARD ON
MAR 10 2003
ELECTRIC GENERATION AND
TRANSMISSION SITING

I am writing to express my deep concerns about the Kentucky Pioneer Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle Demonstration Project for the following reasons:

- 1) Route 89 is not designed to carry 7.5 heavy trucks per hour and an additional 1,000 commuters per day. I recently saw a horrible head-on accident on Route 89 involving a truck and an SUV. Both vehicles had to be towed, several ambulances were needed and traffic was stopped and backed up in both directions. Construction of the plant will put local residents, including school children, at risk on the highway. Many more accidents will happen and with heavy trucks, they will more than likely be fatal.
- 2) As a resident of Madison County, I am concerned about declining water quality both in Madison County and in other counties that obtain their water supply from the Kentucky River.
- 3) Stacks will be visible for as far as 12 miles from the plant, compromising the existing cultural and aesthetic values of a beautiful area.
- 4) Plans for the electric transmission grid have not been made public and will further compromise the aesthetic qualities of the area. In addition, health hazards associated with the transmission grids are not yet known.
- 5) The plant is experimental; therefore safety and outcomes have not been proven.

Please vote AGAINST the project.

Thank you.

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