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Subject: Modified Route D

To whom it may concern;

This email is to address the Modified Route D alternative to the proposed Sunrise Powerlink Project. Although I realize that "it has to go somewhere"

and that nobody wants it to go through their backyard, I believe that running these transmission lines through the area proposed by the Modified Route D Alternative poses several very real problems. The first is the fact that these lines pose a fire hazard. We in the area spend thousands every year trying to keep the fire hazard down so we don't lose our homes. These towers will raise the fire danger significantly.

There are many native plant species in this area that will be permanently destroyed along with many animal species that have already been displaced by similar construction projects. While I understand that this route cuts through less of the Cleveland National Forest than other proposed routes, the fact remains that it dips into the forest. What is the point of have State Parks and National Forests if someone is just going to re allocate the land whenever it suits them. People in this area moved out here to get away from noise and pollution in order to enjoy one of the last pristine places left here...HOW FAR MUST WE GO?

Please eliminate the Modified Route D Alternative from your Scope.

Sincerely,

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