

# Sample Letter

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Senator Markwayne Mullin  
330 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Mullin,

This letter is to inform you that I am very much opposed to the National Interest Electric Corridor Project and specifically the Delta Plains NIECP set to run through Oklahoma and to request your assistance.

The Department of Energy's intention to create a massive corridor 4-18 miles wide in the Delta Plains NIECP would run through Payne County, including through our family farm that has been in my family for generations.

Nobody should have the right to use our property to benefit non-competitive private partners of the federal government. Nobody should have the right to use my property to provide electricity to consumers in other states without my consent given and without any benefit to our community or state. I understand that farmers and landowners should have the right to use their property as they desire, including wind turbines and solar panels but these rights should not trump mine. And these 'green energy sources' should not receive incentives that artificially alter the economics of the energy source.

As a landowner in an impacted corridor, I feel like we should have received notice of these plans. We have been contacted by Invenergy reps about the Cimarron Links project and we negotiated with them in good faith, independently and with an attorney, for a year even though our preference would be not to have transmission facilities across our land. Never did they mention the NIECP project. They are obviously aware of it and appear to feel that they do not need to negotiate in earnest to achieve their objectives. Over the course of negotiations, they have removed terms more favorable to the landowner in subsequent versions, including even some language that they initially proposed.

We respectfully ask for your assistance in reigning in this project and supporting private property rights for your constituents. Please partner with Senator Hawley in his legislation, the Protecting Our Farmers from the Green New Deal Act to repeal these provisions permanently. Please do not hesitate to call or email me to discuss further.

Respectfully,

Rebecca Bostian Parrack