

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
Washington, DC 20515-3812

April 2, 2007

Mr. Paul Evanson  
Chairman, Pres. & CEO  
800 Cabin Hill Dr  
Allegheny Energy  
Greensburg, PA 15601-1650

Dear Mr. Evanson:

I am writing today in opposition to the route of the 500 kV power line – the Trans Allegheny Interstate Line (TRAIL) – that Allegheny Energy is planning to install in Washington and Greene Counties.

The briefing I have received regarding this power line talked about the growing power needs of Western PA. What my constituents are saying, though, is this power line is being built to feed the growing power needs of Northern VA and the Washington DC area.

I strongly urge you to work closely with the commissioners of both Washington & Greene Counties, with the local and state elected officials and our constituents who feel uninformed and left out of the process.

I appreciate your scheduling public information meetings and expect you to work with the local people in addressing their concerns. I will be closely monitoring the project's progress and will be available to discuss the matter with you.

Sincerely,



JOHN P. MURTHA  
MEMBER OF CONGRESS

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