

I am writing in support of the following bills: SB483, SB853, SB947, SB950, SB951, SB952, SB953, SB955, HB631, HB1079, HB1337, HB1362, and HB1396.

Each of these bills is essential to ensuring that any entity seeking to construct energy transmission or generating facilities is held accountable for the full impact of its actions. For too long, citizens have shouldered the financial and personal costs of these projects—whether through harm to their health, businesses, properties, incomes, or overall quality of life. Meanwhile, corporations reap the benefits without sufficient regard for the communities they affect.

The approval of the MPRP project as currently proposed would send a troubling message to Maryland residents about where their interests rank in the eyes of their representatives. Maryland thrives when its communities thrive, and maintaining a strong, engaged population depends on policies that protect the well-being and economic stability of those who call this state home. Enacting stricter regulations to ensure corporate responsibility would reinforce that Maryland legislators are committed to safeguarding their constituents and the long-term prosperity of the state.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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