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Dear honorable representatives of the DOER,

My name is Fergus Marshall, I live approximately 3 miles from the proposed East Springfield biomass facility which fortunately was not approved due to air quality standards not being met.

In the time spent studying the biomass facility project in Springfield I learned much more about the problems using biomass to solve other problems such as fossil fuel use.

What concerned me the most was the removal of materials from Forrest including whole trees to be burned. The forest was not only losing a valuable resource in sequestering and storing carbon but the forest health itself was being so fragmented and soils were being destroyed. I learned it takes 10 to 20 years for them to recover to their former roles as positive carbon sequestration forests.

I don't want to be labor what other folks have already stated, but I do want to say that nearly the entire world is trying to somehow escape the reality that we really have to change our ways but instead we're trying to work some kind of deal with nature that forest somehow can be burned. This burning of our forests is horrible and the fact that we are putting more carbon dioxide into the atmosphere that's not being counted, but we are also devastating wildlife species and the biodiversity of the planet. Our children and our grandchildren will remember us for this legacy.

While people like Jeff Bezos Bill Gates Elon musk and other billionaires invest their money into rocket ships to other planets, they are destroying the very life we have here at home.
Please stop incentivizing the use of biomass.

We have to change our ways, please, for our children sake.

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YOU MUST FIND A WAY TO GET IN THE WAY John Lewis