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I am a Texas landowner and a rancher. I am against the State of Texas granting pipeline permits which condemn private property for the benefit of a foreign entity where Texans do not directly benefit for the products carried by the pipeline.

The current procedure of a company being able to claim they are a common carrier by checking a box on the T-4 application should be done away with and detailed rules defined by the Texas Railroad Commission as to what constitutes a common carrier. The first consideration is whether a proposed pipeline will benefit a large number of Texans directly.

For instance, the TransCanada Keystone XL pipeline has little benefit to Texans since the products it carries will be primarily from Canada and will be sold overseas instead of to the United States. It does little to benefit Texans or the United States to be energy independent. It is wrong for a foreign company to be allowed to be categorized as a common carrier which opens the door for them to use the eminent domain to condemn and use private land for

their gain.

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