

I am strongly opposed to the creation of Natural Asset Companies that will be used to sell off, and sell out, America. I do not want our country's public lands, waters and even air sold to private interests obliged to preclude the productive use of such resources to the betterment of our society and the strengthening of our economy. Federal lands need to be used for productive purposes, not segregated for disuse in perpetuity. I also reject the imposition of unconstitutional restrictions via such means on individual American's property rights and other freedoms.

My sentiments are further intensified by the prospect that those private interests may include hostile foreign powers like the Chinese Communist Party, Russia and Iran who may have their own reasons for wanting to lock down our hydrocarbon-based fuels, our minerals, forests, etc.

No one has the right to own 'natural processes, and the structure proposed will ultimately result in these natural functions being owned by profiteers – who will have a certain agenda they will be pursuing.

This concept is dangerous. It permanently embeds the mechanism and monetary values for the disuse of federal lands, easement properties and ultimately private properties in our federal securities laws.

I am also concerned about the lack of public announcement and media coverage of this significant new concept. I urge the Commission to extend the time available for comment on proposed Rule SR-NYSE-2023-09, or to reject it outright immediately.