

The fight about the [Keystone XL pipeline](#) will play a big role in the war over the nation's energy future, a prominent House Republican said Tuesday.

It's a make-or-break issue for environmental groups, [Rep. Lee Terry](#), Nebraska Republican, told The Washington Times in an exclusive interview. They fear if the Canada-to-[Texas pipeline](#) is built, the nation's direction on energy policy and development will be determined. But if they can defeat Keystone now, they can push a 'green' agenda.

"They feel like the war is now," [Mr. Terry](#) said. "They want to eliminate any hydrocarbon energy, and they want to do it now. They want to turn the switch off.

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