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RE: Docket #26185 GVEC proposed Hickory Forrest New Berlin Transmission Line

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Judge Gentle,

On September 16, 2002, I sent you a letter requesting that I be allowed to intervene in the above referenced GVEC CCN case and was subsequently granted intervenor status. Since that time I have met with representatives of GVEC and discussed the project. This letter is to ask that I be withdrawn as an intervenor in this proceeding.

This request should not be construed as an endorsement of the project. I still stand opposed to the project, and wish to be listed as a protestor. I still have grave concerns related to the health aspect of such a project. Research linking overhead distribution lines and illnesses as current as May of 2002 find elevated occurrence of childhood leukemia and adult cancers. Occurrence of syndromes linked to proximity to overhead electrical lines should, in my opinion, be prosecuted to their fullest extent. I realize distribution is needed, but the vehicle may not be the safest possible way to provide the service. It should be the priority of all entities involved in the production and distribution of these services to study alternatives to the present means utilized. Some alternatives to be considered are: distributed generation and alternative transmission (e.g. underground distribution), not only for health issues, but also for aesthetic reasons.

Thank you for your attention to this matter

Sincerely,



Christopher A. Parker