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Commissioner



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Public Utility Commission of Texas

July 24, 2006

Mr. Bill Coe
630 N.E. 46th St.
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Re: Your Letter of July 17, 2006

Dear Mr. Coe:

Thank you for your letter. I have also received lots of other correspondence from your part of the state related to this project. As yet, no proposal has reached my desk regarding this project. When it does, I will be unable to communicate, as a result of ex parte rules, with anyone other than in a publicly posted open meeting of the PUCT.

It is the rare transmission line project that is without opposition. While everyone wants low-cost, reliable electricity, no one wants a transmission line coming through their property or neighborhood. I expect that the Commission will tackle this project in a similar fashion to other such projects by analyzing the need for the project and also all the various alternative routes presented. Historically, this Commission has focused on low costs (since transmission upgrades are paid for by all ratepayers), but we also look at other factors as well, such as the ones you mention in your letter. For the time being, your arguments are best directed to Brazos Electric Cooperative directly, as they are the ones considering what project they may propose for PUCT consideration.

I look forward to seeing the routes presented and the pluses and minuses of each when this project comes to my desk. If and when this matter becomes a contested case before the PUCT, you will have an opportunity to intervene and fully present your arguments. Thanks for your input.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barry T. Smitherman".

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FROM:
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Ladies &/or Gentlemen:

It is my opinion that the ones serving on the "PUC Board are ones of a sage individuals. also I feel it a benefit that I reference locations of self that you may have a better opinion of my self making the strongest recommendation not to permit Brazos Electric Coop. to set thier proposed lines in the County (LAMAR), city (PARIS), & neighborhoods. Am of (33 yrs at age 55, (38 yrs CIVIL SERVICE) (MILITARY) Warrant officer at age 58, RANCHER, Builder, MASON, Shriner, GRI Broker, Deacon, 7 years EAST PARIS Baptist on Long RANGE Planning Committee, to name a few. my wife, a director of Chamber of Commerce, Chairman of ambassadors, and GRI Broker. much College and not a dialect.

Now why I strongly object:

1. We are not Brazos Elect. Coop. Customers.
2. Community had approx. 3 days to meet in civic center of line plans.
3. Reference Switchboard and Britian for noted health problems old & young. Our people know.

4. Proposed Lines Come across my barn 1/5 East of my home.

5. Four miles out on FM 195 it will cross my family retirement land, planned & already in use.

6 #5 above is known as "Indian Mound". Care is taken and already populated with TURKEY, Deer, & Wild life & already contacted by Biological leader to research for artifacts.

7. 1A LINES PLANNED Coming across Church property, Paris Junior College property, barley missing overpass on 82 & 271 Hwy, Crossing East over Hwy 82, then turning back to my home on 36th & Pine Mill road & then back to my Family ranch land on FM 195.

8. Proposal of line 1A on East part of city - the fastest developing & expensive area of town continues on out FM 195

9 With all lines over & in the City of Paris will be a "Deteriorating Meas." Reduce peoples Property, reduce tax base, and destroy future plans of many families. Help reduce City & County taxes.

10. The peoples representatives have organized against of groups, City Council, Chamber of Commerce, Commissioners Court, Paris Economic Development Corporation, and all personnel I have been associated with.

11. It was told that "We are Coming" by one of Mr. Hix's representatives.

12. On a foggy damp weather situation the 345 KW lines will be popping & frying and be heard. Flarescent Bulbs will

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burn without mixing we are told.

The people can not understand why it will take a year to make a decision against Rejection or approval.

It has already cost the people. Will be very costly to fight this in AUSTIN. Brazos Elect. Coop. has got other places to go including OKLAHOMA.

Hugo #1 & #2 in OKLA + Congo River North side

Red River in OKLA + crossover in Fannin County.

Moss not sent am sure PVC HAS ALREADY received.

This plan is a quick blast to people of LAMAR COUNTY & city.

If Brazos Elect aided by Mr. HIX is approved, "PVC" it will usher in the most "REPULSIVE move" ever placed on a wonderful hard working town, only to satisfy a dream for Private Profit with expense coming from its people eventually.

Brazos Valley Elect Company's Dream - am against !!

(But Not "FUTUREGIN" LETS move quickly to Procure.!

am Familiar with Brazos Elect also.

Chairman Paul,

Dont let this happen from Pressure, Politics, +
BILL COE, 630 46th Fifty Lucre -
PARIS, TEX 75460

I was told if a lot of "English Phraseology" was sent it would not be read.

I still believe in my Representatives

C. H. H. Coe