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## Public Utility Commission of Texas

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Robert Waight 161 Meusebach Creek Road Fredericksburg, Texas 78624

Dear Mr. Waight,

Thank you for your letter raising your daughter's concerns about the proposed LCRA line. Because the application for a by the LCRA to build transmission line will be filed here at the Commission in the future, I have filed a copy of your letter and my response in Docket No. 37049.

The LCRA is responsible for developing the routes and filing an application for this transmission line. While LCRA has developed several proposed routes, they have not yet filed an application for the line with the Commission. When the application is filed, the Commission, as required by statute, will consider various factors in its evaluation of the proposed routes, such as the community, historical, and aesthetic values and the environmental integrity associated with the transmission line. Commission rules also include other factors for consideration, such as whether the proposed routes utilize or parallel existing compatible rights-of-way, property lines or other features, and whether the routes avoid passing over habitable structures. The Commission can also evaluate different ways to construct the lines, such as the use of monopole structures or lattice structures, and will weigh the costs versus the benefits of different options in its decision.

I understand that this process can be difficult and emotional. Therefore, it very important that the Commission follow the criteria listed in both statute and Commission rules. When LCRA files its application, the Commission will take all these factors into account when making its decision on the proposed routes and design of the transmission line, and attempt to minimize the impact of the line on landowners and the cost of the line to ratepayers.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Barry T. Smitherman

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Chairman's Office

Please do Not bring
your power lines through
our country. My 10 year-old
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your power lines near US.

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