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RE: Stuart & Julie Clark's Response to Commission Staff's First Set of Request for Information to LCRA Transmission Service Corporation.

Question: BA-1-1 Do you have a habitable structure (According to Subst. Rule 25.101, a habitable structure is a structure that is normally inhabited by humans or intended to be inhabited by humans on a daily or regular basis.) near one or more of the links of the proposed transmission line? If so, describe the structure, identify the link(s) and estimate how far the proposed line is from the habitable structure?

Answer: Our home, which is a two story stone structure with 6 bedrooms, 7 baths with 5500 square feet of living space, (Stuart and Julie Clark) is located within 700 feet of the centerline of proposed link c19 and within view of our home and would have to be traversed under each time we come or go from our home.

Question: BA-1-2 Will one or more of the links of the proposed transmission line cross your property? If so, identify the links and any features like a property line, pipeline, power line or road that the proposed transmission line will follow through your property.

Answer: Proposed link C19 bisects our property between our home and our only ingress/egress path. The proposed link crosses the length of our ranch and utilizes no existing property line, easements for the likes of power lines or pipelines. It follows no current right of way. This link would cut our property in half.

Question: BA-1-3 Have you discussed any modifications to the proposed transmission line route on your property with a representative of LCRA TSC? If so, what were the modifications to the proposed route that you suggested and what was the response of the LCRA TSC?

Answer: No. We did not know this was an option. It would be great to have a representative of the LCRA come to our property so we could discuss and show them personally our concerns.

Question: BA-1-4 What are your specific concerns about the proposed transmission line?

Answer:

- 1. Our primary residence is located with 700 feet of the centerline of the transmission line.
- 2. The proposed transmission line will bisect our property leaving no path to ingress/egress our residence without crossing under the proposed transmission facilities.
- 3. The proposed transmission line being in close proximity to our primary residence as stated, will have a dramatic negative effect on the value of our property.

- 4. The proposed transmission line is in the direct path of watershed with close proximity to our well and main supply of drinking water for our family.
- 5. The proposed transmission line is located with 600 feet of an active private landing strip which, if built as proposed would make safe operation of the landing strip impossible, with no other viable options on our property to relocate.
- 6. The proposed transmission line is located over an inactive oil well that was drilled in the early 1980's.
- 7. Our ranch is managed as a wildlife preserve. The intent of the preserve is to restore native Hill Country range land to a time which pre-dates human development. Construction of transmission facilities which bisect the property would egregiously and irrevocably change the landscape and prevent us from fully realizing our stated vision for the property.
- 8. Our ranch is home to Austin Gun Club, a private gun club and hunting preserve with over 50 active members along with their families and businesses associates. Our members utilize the ranch to entertain business associates and prospective clients. This proposed line would severely compromise the integrity and beauty of the ranch and would directly impact the members ability to entertain their clients.
- 9. The proposed transmission line does not follow any property lines boundaries, but bisects the property.
- 10. The health concerns to our family (and to those who visit our property), especially our young children, from living so close and having to traverse under the power lines everyday are of great concern. We would like to see concrete proof that there is no health danger to citizens and request these findings to be provided by the CDC, LCRA, EPA, and all independent studies conducted concerning citizens living in close proximity to power lines such as proposed by the LCRA.

Question: BA-1-5 Did you attend any open houses presented by the utility concerning this proposed transmission line? If so, when and where? Did you provide written comments to LCRA TSC at or after the open house?

Answer: No. We have yet to receive any original documents from the PUC or LCRA regarding this line. We would appreciate the opportunity to visit with someone regarding our concerns.

Question: BA-1-6 Are your property boundaries represented accurately on the maps provided by the utility? If not, please explain any discrepancies and provide a modified LCRA TSC map or drawing to indicate the discrepancies.

Answer: Our property boundaries seem to be represented accurately. I would urge the utility to perform surveys to confirm.

Question: BA-1-7 What is the primary use for your property and, in your opinion, will this use be impacted by the proposed transmission line?

Answer: The primary use of our land is multiple. It is our homestead, a working cattle ranch, a managed wildlife preserve, and home to Austin Gun Club, a family business. Every listed use would be negatively impacted by placement of link C19 as drawn.

Question: BA-1-9 In your opinion, is there any feature about your land that you believe should be considered when routing a transmission line on your property? If so, please explain.

Answer: Proposed link C19 bisects our property utilizing no existing easements or transmission facilities. Our opinion is that the location of 345Kw power facilities within 700 feet of our primary homestead is unreasonable and unnecessary since it bisects our ranch and utilizes no current easements or existing facilities. We would strongly urge the use of existing easements or at a minimum following property boundaries to minimize the impact of said facilities.

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