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**RESOLUTION FOR ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE**

WHEREAS, the State of Texas pursuing an aggressive strategy to increase the electricity generating capacity from renewable energy technologies; and

WHEREAS, the Erath County Commissioners' Court supports the pursuit of renewable energy sources and recognizes the need to deliver the energy to market; and

WHEREAS, the Public Utilities Commission of Texas (PUC) has tasked ONCOR with finding an appropriate transmission line route; and

WHEREAS, a plan was developed by the Public Utilities Commission of Texas (PUC) to construct transmission capacity to deliver generated power from the five designated Competitive Renewable Energy Zones (CREZ's) to electric customers in the metropolitan area, said plan containing massive structures and transmission lines that might cross over portions of Erath County; and

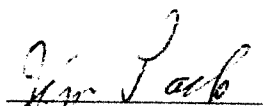
IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Commissioners' Court of the County of Erath, Texas, that has consolidated the various opinions of our Erath County Citizens, and the Court wishes to express this both to ONCOR and the Public Utility Commission.

1. That many of our citizens are extremely concerned with health issues that may result, or increase over time from the operation of a 345 KV transmission line in the proximity of their homes or businesses; and
2. That, if a route were to be selected that crosses Erath County, that land owners be fully compensated for their easements for the construction and operation of a transmission line, including some future consideration based on an incremental value of the transmission line, production, or some other criteria; and
3. The Erath County Commissioners' Court urges the PUC and ONCOR to respect the input of the citizens of North Central Texas, to act as responsible stewards of our Texas landscape, and to help us maintain the beauty and integrity of our environment by burying all transmission lines underground that will cross Erath County in developed populated historical, watershed and recreational areas, as part of the CREZ transmission line plan and by minimizing the visual impacts to the maximum extent possible; and

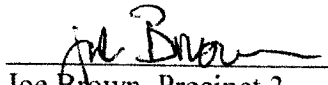
4. That the Erath County Commissioners' Court urges the PUC and ONCOR to adopt rules dictating that any and all 345 KV transmission lines constructed through Erath County now must maintain a minimum distance of 1400 feet from the centerline of the proposed route or easement to any existing habitable structure and/or its surrounding buildings and structures; and
5. That the use of monopoles be part of any plan as an alternative to lattice structures; and
6. That existing right of way be used to reduce the impact on the natural landscape of Erath County; and
7. That any route selected should consider the long term negative impact on ecotourism, and be planned to minimize the loss of value of property, tourism, wildlife, and aesthetics of Our County; and
8. For PUC and ONCOR to consider public comment as an extremely high priority in the selection or development of any transmission route or plan choice that goes through Erath County.

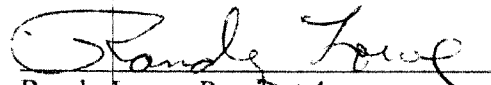
Adopted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010, by Erath County Commissioners Court.

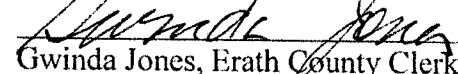
  
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