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STATEMENT OF POSITION FOR ALAN AND CAROLYN SOLSBERY PUC DOCKET NO. 38230 SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-10-4398

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please be informed that my position on the above referenced docket case as an intervenor is negative.

History

Our tracts on Link 00 are part of our family place purchased by my parents in the 50s. In all, they purchased about 200 acres. They lived on this property until the late 70s raising cattle and improving the land a little at a time by themselves. During this time, the State authorized a new farm-to-market road and a new bridge across the Duffau Creek to be constructed. This split the same section of land on which the Lone State Transmission now covets. The old road and bridges are still visible as well as the electrical power lines, which are covered by various trees (pecan, oak, post oak, mesquite, and juniper). After I retired from the United States Navy in 1991, my family moved onto about 100 acres (my brother and I split the place). In the 90s, I purchased 40 acres from my brother--the tract that Lone State desires. In all, our home place totals about 160 acres.



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Issues with Tracts 8-847, 8-849 and 8-850 on Link 00

The suggested transmission line route will have a disproportionate impact on our 160 acre farm. If more electrical lines/poles are constructed, it would render our farm and creek practically useless in that section or sections. This property was purchased to unite our farm and to utilize access to the Duffau Creek on both sides for our cattle operation.

The proposed line route will cause devaluation of the property.

The proposed line route will be a visual intrusion on a section or sections of the Duffau Creek which has many trees and is used for the benefit of our cattle operation and our enjoyment. Many trees would have to be destroyed on and by the creek and close to our home.

Duffau Creek generally floods once or twice a year in the area suggested. The terrain of the land would be out of balance by replacing the established trees with the suggested power lines and poles.

The proposed line route will impact our homestead (our children plan to build their future homes here), cattle operation, native pecan trees, Duffau Creek, and wildlife.

The proposed line route will provide no residuals (monetary or aesthetic) paid by this private company for use of our land forever. Lone Star Transmission is a *for profit business*.

Carolyn Solsbery

Therefore, we respectfully ask that this route be removed from consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Solsbery

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