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Dear PUC Commissioners.

FUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

We strongly oppose the proposed MK15 route through Tierra Linda Ranch.

Although we do not live directly on the pipeline easement, we live directly across the street from our neighbors who will have their garage and workshop replaced by a transmission tower which will only be 69 feet from their home. How can you consider that we are not an affected property owner even though we do not live within 500 feet of the centerline of the Right of Way?

Tierra Linda Ranch is a 2900 acre subdivision with over 500 residents and WE WILL ALL BE NEGATIVELY AFFECTED IN MANY WAYS. Our scenic vistas will be destroyed, our financial security impacted by reduced property values and the health and welfare of all residents are at risk.

There are many residents along the easement with health issues such as Leukemia and implanted medical devices which will be endangered by EMF exposure. My husband has Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and is on continuous oxygen. His immune system is compromised and the EMF exposure could shorten his life.

This is NOT A COMPATIBLE RIGHT OF WAY! Although there is an existing 50 foot easement for a natural gas pipeline, an additional 100 - 160 feet of oak trees and backyards will be taken for these lines. There have been documented pipeline explosions here in Texas when electrical crews have been working around pipelines. If there were an explosion along this pipeline, my home will surely be affected if not destroyed.

MK62 which runs parallel to I-10 is a compatible ROW because it follows an already disturbed area that is mostly commercial in nature.

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Tierra Linda Ranch

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Marie and Stewart their neighbor's home behind them will have their garage replaced by a transmission tower. This tower would be just 69 feet from the neighbor's home.