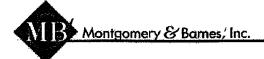
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# METES AND BOUNDS DESCRIPTION OF A 15,000 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN THE MARTIN P. CLARK SURVEY ABSTRACT NUMBER 148 MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

BEING a 15.000 acre (653,400 square foot) tract of land in the Martin P. Clark Survey, Abstract Number 148, Montgomery County, Texas and being a portion of the remainder of that certain called 694.357 acre tract described as Tract 4 in a deed to Foster Timber, Ltd. recorded under Montgomery County Clerk's File Number 9509572 of the Official Public Records of Real Property of Montgomery County, Texas, said 15.000 acre tract of land being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows with bearings based on the Texas Coordinate System of 1983, South Central Zone:

COMMENCING at a 5/8 inch iron rod with cap stamped "MONTGOMERY & BARNES" set for the southeast corner of that certain called 14,998 acre tract of land described as Tract II in deed to Darryl Pitcock recorded under Montgomery County Clerk's File Number 9023075 and being in the north right-of-way line of League Line Road (120 feet wide);

THENCE, with the north right-of-way line of said League Line Road, South 77 degrees 38 minutes 26 seconds East, a distance of 99.97 feet to an angle point;

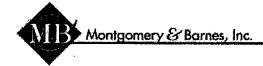
THENCE, North 13 degrees 00 minutes 01 seconds East, a distance of 2000.00 feet to a 5/8 inch iron rod with cap stamped "MONTGOMERY & BARNES" set for the southwest corner and POINT OF BEGINNING of the herein described tract;

THENCE, North 13 degrees 00 minutes 01 seconds East, a distance of 422.71 feet to a 5/8 inch iron rod with cap stamped "MONTGOMERY & BARNES" set for an angle point;

THENCE, North 12 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds East, a distance of 458.75 feet to a 5/8 inch iron rod with cap stamped "MONTGOMERY & BARNES" set for the northwest corner of the herein described tract;

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THENCE, South 77 degrees 53 minutes 06 seconds East, a distance of 803.35 feet to a 5/8 inch iron rod with cap stamped "MONTGOMERY & BARNES" set for the northeast corner of the herein described tract at the beginning of a non-tangent curve to the left;

THENCE, in a southwesterly direction with said curve to the left having a radius of 1,560.00 feet, a central angle of 26 degrees 58 minutes 28 seconds, and a chord which bears South 18 degrees 20 minutes 41 seconds West, 727.67 feet an arc distance of 734.43 feet to a 5/8 inch iron rod with cap stamped "MONTGOMERY & BARNES" set at the end of said curve;

THENCE, South 04 degrees 51 minutes 27 seconds West, a distance of 113.16 feet to 5/8 inch iron rod with cap stamped "MONTGOMERY & BARNES" set at the beginning of a curve to the right;

THENCE, in a southwesterly direction with said curve to the right having a radius of 640.00 feet, a central angle of 05 degrees 09 minutes 19 seconds, and a chord which bears South 07 degrees 26 minutes 07 seconds West, 57.56 feet an arc distance of 57.58 feet to a 5/8 inch iron rod with cap stamped "MONTGOMERY & BARNES" set at the end of said curve for the southeast corner of the herein described tract;

THENCE, North 76 degrees 59 minutes 59 seconds West, a distance of 750.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 15,000 acres (653,400 square feet) of land.

A separate survey map was prepared in conjunction with this metes and bounds description.

Douglas W. Zumer

Registered Professional Land Surveyor

Texas Registration Number 3988

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# METES AND BOUNDS DESCRIPTION OF A 56.537 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN THE F.K. HENDERSON SURVEY ABSTRACT NO. 248 CITY OF WILLIS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

A 56.537 acre tract (2,462,736 square feet) of land situated in the F.K. Henderson, Abstract Number 248, City of Willis, Montgomery County, Texas, being part and out of a called remainder 115.3 net acre tract (designated as the "First Tract") and out of a called remainder 139.78 acre tract (designated as the "Second Tract") as conveyed to George B. Daren as recorded under Volume 258, Page 84 Montgomery County Deed Records (MCDR), which 1/2 interest was conveyed to William T. Moran as recorded under Volume 285, Page 598 MCDR, and part and out of a called remainder 34.0 acre tract as conveyed to George B. Daren as recorded under Volume 258, Page 88 MCDR, which ½ interest was conveyed to William T. Moran as recorded under Volume 285, Page 598 MCDR; said 56.537 acre tract being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows: (Bearings basis is per Texas State Plane, Central Zone, NAD 83, as determined by GPS observations.)

BEGINNING at a set 5/8-inch iron rod with cap marked "M&A" marking the northeast corner of a called 53.00 acre tract conveyed to Willis Independent School District as recorded under Montgomery County Clerk File Number (MCCF No.) 9281703 and being in the west right-of-way line of State Highway 75 (variable width as recorded under Volume 183, Page 475 and Volume 220, Page 559 MCDR);

THENCE, N 77°23'00" W, 930.00 feet along the north line of the called 53.00 acre tract to a found 5/8-inch iron rod for the northwest corner of said called 53.00 acre tract:

THENCE, along the west line of said called 53.00 acre tract, the following courses and distances:

S 12°37'00" W, 777.81 feet to a found 5/8-inch iron rod for corner;

N 77°23'00" W, 355.00 feet to a found 5/8-inch iron rod for corner;

S 12°37'00" W, 1288.49 feet to a found 5/8-inch iron rod for the southwest corner of the called 53.00 acre tract in the north right-of-way line of Farm to Marker (FM) 830 (120 foot width as recorded under Volume 563, Page 60 MCDR) for the beginning of a curve to the left, non-tangent at this point;

THENCE, along a curve to the left and the north right-of-way line of FM 830, having a radius of 2930.85 feet, a central angle of 00°46′18″, a chord bearing and distance of S 89°45′32″ W, 39.48 feet, for an arc length of 39.48 feet to a set 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "M&A" in the east line of a called 16.5 foot (called a rod width) American Telephone and Telegraph Company (now known as AT&T) easement as recorded under Volume 307, Page 278 MCDR, for the southwest corner hereof;

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THENCE, N 15°52'57" W, 478.32 feet departing the north right-of-way line of FM 830 and along the east line of said called 16.5 foot AT&T easement to a set 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "M&A" for an angle point;

THENCE, N 22°51'04" W, 900.35 feet continuing along the east line of said 16.5 foot AT&T easement to a set 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "M&A" for corner;

THENCE, N 12°53'19" E, 1415.35 feet departing the east line of said 16.5 foot AT&T easement to a set 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "M&A" for an angle point;

THENCE, N 60°52'13" E, pass at a distance of 427.51 feet to a set 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "M&A" for reference on the high bank of the center line of East Fork of Crystal Creek and continuing for a total distance of 442.51 feet to the center line of East Fork of Crystal Creek;

THENCE, downstream with the centerline meanders of East Fork of Crystal Creek the following courses and distances:

S 86°53'24" E, 28.03 feet to a point;

S 45°36'41" E, 68.91 feet to a point;

S 09°27'17" E, 43.72 feet to a point;

S 53°49'23" E, 42.91 feet to a point;

S 77°12'32" E, 55.47 feet to a point;

S 19°53'53" E, 34.29 feet to a point;

S 65°50'52" W, 21.03 feet to a point;

N 87°42'43" W, 15.56 feet to a point;

S 32°55'50" W, 19.16 feet to a point;

S 04°34'23" W, 7.50 feet to a point; S 65°10'54" E, 61.18 feet to a point;

S 84°13'20" E, 70.41 feet to a point;

S 72°17'37" E, 4.47 feet to a point;

S 47°03'08" E, 7.06 feet to a point;

S 07°27'53" E, 10.44 feet to a point;

S 23°54'19" W, 8.21 feet to a point;

S 61°24'16" W, 9.40 feet to a point;

S 21°45'24" W, 11.45 feet to a point;

S 22°26'29" E, 14.55 feet to a point;

N 86°44'37" E, 18.28 feet to a point;

S 83°55'37" E, 7.47 feet to a point;

S 44°46'12" E, 20.26 feet to a point;

S 12°24'42" E, 24.75 feet to a point;

S 17°17'16" E, 47.54 feet to a point;

S 42°11'33" E, 63.09 feet to a point;

S 52°02'34" E, 22.66 feet to a point; S 76°33'49" E, 35.77 feet to a point;

N 72°13'42" E, 37.69 feet to a point;

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S 89°20'20" E, 55.14 feet to a point;

S 85°06'25" E, 33.75 feet to a point;

N 71°50'18" E, 23.54 feet to a point;

N 86°16'02" E, 23.32 feet to a point in the southwest line of a called 4.3688 acre tract of land conveyed to the City of Willis, a Municipal Corporation as recorded under Volume 949, Page 593 MCDR;

THENCE, continuing along the southwest line of said called 4.3688 acre tract, the following courses and distance:

S 43°20'15" E, 107.89 feet to a point;

S 45°38'17" E, 43.50 feet to a point;

S 29°22'17" E, 36.88 feet to a point;

S 55°41'04" E, 33.38 feet to a point;

S 53°19'26" E, 83.31 feet to a point;

S 57°41'09" E, 71.83 feet to a point;

S 66°23'02" E, 62.07 feet to a point;

N 43°09'21" E, 64.63 feet to a point;

N 49°20'54" E, 53.90 feet to a point;

S 76°54'16" E, 21.51 feet to a corner in the southeast line of said called 4.3668 acre tract;

THENCE, N 73°27'56" E, 9.57 feet along the southeast line of said called 4.3668 acre tract to the surveyed centerline of East Fork of Crystal Creek, from which a found 5/8-inch iron rod bears N 73°27'56" East, 11.54 feet;

THENCE, departing the southeast line of said called 4.3668 acre tract and continuing with the centerline meanders of East Fork of Crystal Creek the following courses and distances:

S 61°17'16" E, 72.31 feet to a point:

S 19°04'47" E, 53.66 feet to a point;

S 49°16'51" E, 19.94 feet to a point;

S 74°30'56" E, 44.53 feet to a point;

S 65°24'15" E, 39.76 feet to a point:

S 87°13'11" E, 61.27 feet to a point;

N 81°02'37" E, 43.41 feet to a point:

N 85°29'42" E, 41.30 feet to a point;

S 67°53'04" E, 59.44 feet to a point;

S 07°07'44" E, 8.68 feet to a point;

S 22°45'28" W, 17.71 feet to a point;

S 15°00'07" E, 16.24 feet to a point;

S 32°21'18" E, 14.00 feet to a point;

N 66°51'39" E, 121.46 feet to a point;

S 50°33'30" E, 78.29 feet to a point;

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S 39°52'47" E, 10.58 feet to a point in the west right-of-way line of State Highway 75 for the northeast corner hereof;

THENCE, S 12°59'57" W, pass at a distance of 8.50 feet a set 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "M&A" on the high bank, and continuing for a total distance of 344.73 feet with the west right-of-way line of State Highway 75 to the POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING a computed 56.537 acre (2,462,736 square feet) tract of land.

Note: This metes and bounds description was prepared in conjunction with an exhibit in the offices of Montgomery and Associates.

Grace Y. Cervin, RPLS #5564

Date: 5/20/2009





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#### METES AND BOUNDS 51,000 ACRES (2,221,557 SQUARE FEET) MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

Being a 51.000 acre (2,221,557 square feet) tract of land situated in the William Weir Survey, Abstract Number 42, Montgomery County, Texas; being out of and part of the following two tracts of land:

a called 539.822 acre tract of land conveyed to Michael G. Manners by 1.) instrument recorded under Montgomery County Clerk's File Number (M.C.C.F.N.) 9508457 as recorded in the Official Public Records of Real Property of Montgomery County, Texas (O.P.R.R.P.M.C.T.):

the residue of a called 345.00 acre tract of land conveyed to Michael G. Manners 2.)

by instrument recorded under M.C.C.F.N. 9508458, O.P.R.R.P.M.C.T.;

Said 51.000 acre tract being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows with all bearings referenced to the Texas State Plane Coordinate System, Central Zone, North American Data System of 1983 (CORS) holding for reference the northerly east line of said 539.822 acre tract and the northerly west line of said 345.00 acre tract as South 12°04'45" West:

COMMENCING at a found 1/2-inch iron rod located on the east line of said 539.822 acre tract, being the southwest corner of a called 199.2 acre tract of land conveyed to the Houston and Harris County Girl Scout Camp by instrument recorded in Volume 290, Page 45 in the Deed Records of Montgomery County, Texas, and being the most northerly northwest corner of said residue of called 345.00 acre tract;

THENCE, South 12°04'45" West, along the east line of said 539.822 acre tract and the west line of said residue of called 345.00 acre tract, a distance of 1,198.99 feet to a 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "Montgomery & Associates" set for the POINT OF BEGINNING of the herein described tract of land, from which a found 1/2-inch iron rod for the most easterly southeast corner of said 539.822 acre tract and an interior corner of said residue of called 345.00 acre tract bears South 12°04'45" West, 530.41 feet;

THENCE, South 78°24'33" East, a distance of 202.99 feet to a 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "Montgomery & Associates" set for the northeast corner of the herein described tract;

THENCE, South 11°35'27" West, a distance of 2,266.22 feet to a 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "Montgomery & Associates" set on the northerly right-of-way line of Longstreet Road (variable width by prescription according to Montgomery County Engineering Department) and the southerly line of said residue of called 345.00 acre tract for southeast corner of the herein described tract;

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THENCE, North 78°54'34" West, along said northerly right-of-way line of Longstreet Road and the southerly line of said residue of called 345.00 acre tract, a distance of 198.43 feet to a 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "Montgomery & Associates" set for an angle point;

THENCE, North 82°36'02" West, continuing along said northerly right-of-way line of Longstreet Road and the southerly line of said residue of called 345.00 acre tract, a distance of 773.64 feet to a 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "Montgomery & Associates" set for the southwest corner of the herein described tract;

THENCE, North 11°35'27" East, departing said northerly right-of-way line and the southerly line of said residue of called 345.00 acre tract, at a distance of 1,800.61 passing a point located on the most easterly north line of the aforementioned 539.822 acre tract and the most westerly north line of said residue of called 345.00 acre tract (from which a found 1/2-inch iron rod for most easterly southeast corner of said 539.822 acre tract and an interior corner of said residue of called 345.00 acre tract bears South 77°55'15" East, 762.52 feet); continuing for a total distance of 2,324.50 feet to a 5/8-inch iron rod with cap stamped "Montgomery & Associates" set for the northwest corner of the herein described tract;

THENCE, South 78°24'33" East, a distance of 767.01 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 51.000 acres (2,221,557 square feet) of land.

This document is released for the purpose of initiating the title report for the above property and is not to be relied upon as a complete survey.

Note: This metes and bounds description was prepared in conjunction with an exhibit in the offices of Montgomery and Associates.

Russell Henderson Registered Professional Land Surveyor No. 5641

Date: 11/25/2009

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

A Jurisdictional Waters and Wetland Assessment and Delineation was performed for the naturalized farm pond located to the south of the Lynn Lucas Middle School located in Willis, Texas. This assessment was completed in accordance with the USACE 1987 Wetlands Delineation Manual, as modified by the Rapanos Decision passed down by US Supreme Court in May 2007.

The subject property was evaluated for its content of Potentially Jurisdictional Wetlands and Waters of the United States, based on criteria set forth in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Delineation Manual. Using interpretation of historical aerial photography, topographic maps, hydrology indicators, and field evaluation of hydric soils, hydrology, and hydrophilic vegetation, wetlands were identified and delineated as accurately as possible.

Topographical information published by the United States Geological Service (USGS) indicates a sloping landscape with storm water runoff flowing generally toward the south through the naturalized pond and continuing toward the south.

The Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) <u>Soil Survey of Montgomery County</u> was accurate in identifying the basic soil types on the property as Conroe loamy fine sand, and the Splendor fine sandy loam. These mappings were verified by field soil surveys.

Upland areas (the upper ring of the pond) were dominated by a cover of Pinus taeda (loblolly pine), and Sabiferum Sebiferum (Chinese Tallow).

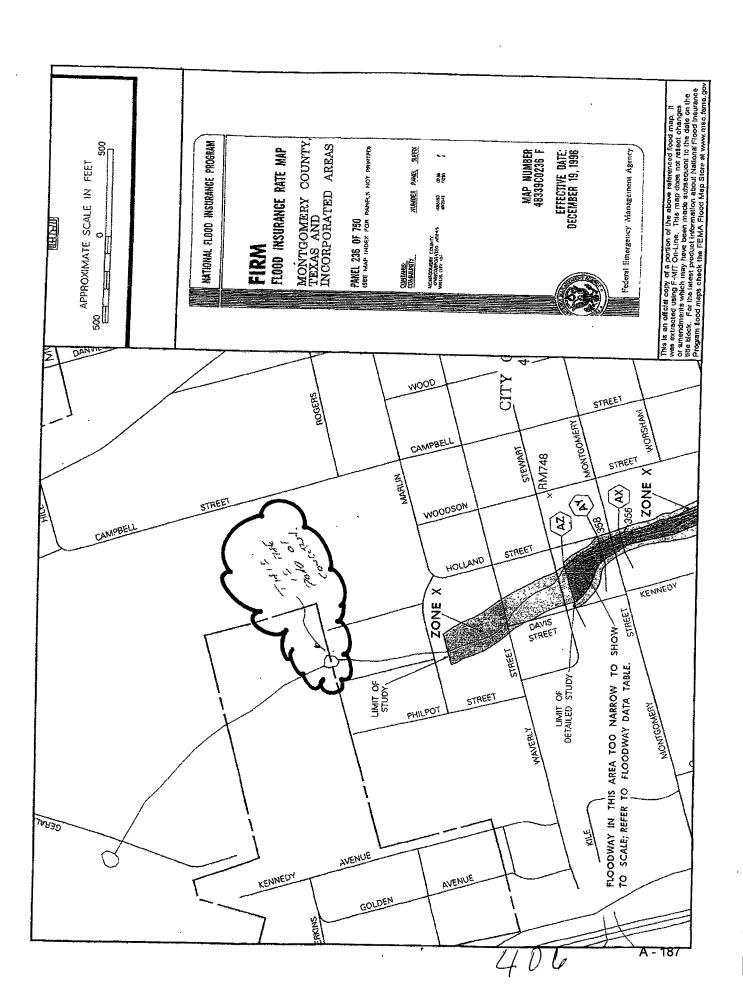
The perimeter ring of the naturalized pond was covered in wetland vegetation including Lemna minor (duckweed) and Polygonum hydropiperiodes (Smartweed). This wetland area was representative of approximately 50% of the ponds area (0.17 acres)

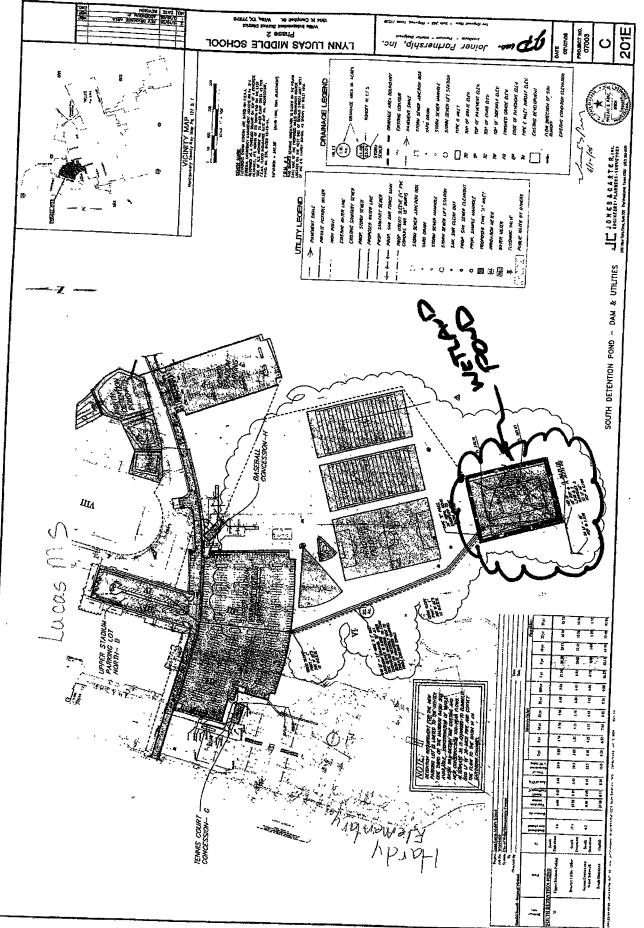
The central area of the pond was greater in depth and void of vegetation. This is an open water habitat which was representative of approximately 50% of the ponds area (0.17 acres).

These Wetland and Non Wetland Waters of the United States are likely to be considered Jurisdictional Waters by the USACE. Since the implementation of the US Supreme Court Rapanos Decision by the USACE and EPA, only the USACE and EPA can make the final determination of the Jurisdictional Status of Wetlands/Waters. This report includes all the necessary evaluation forms as defined by the USACE to determine the Jurisdictional Nature of the site.

The placement of fill (concrete, dirt, pipe, rip rap) into Jurisdictional Waters of the United States will likely trigger the need for permitting from the USACE. The type of permit required will be a function of the utilization of the property, and how much of the Jurisdictional Waters of the United States will be impacted. Due to the limited size of this naturalized pond, it is believed that a Nationwide Permit can be obtained for impacts to the subject site.

SMC Consulting, Inc. (281) 997-7911 Pearland, Texas





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February 5, 2013

Mr. Larry Calhoun Executive Director Greater Conroe Economic Development Council 505 W. Davis Conroe, TX 77301

Request for Information

Entergy Texas, Inc. Proposed Ponderosa to Grimes 230kV Transmission Line Project

BMcD Project number: 71136

Dear Mr. Calhoun:

Entergy Texas, Inc. (Entergy) is proposing to construct a new 230 kilovolt (kV) overhead electric transmission line to connect the proposed Ponderosa Switching Station on the southwest side of Conroe, in Montgomery County, Texas to the existing Grimes Substation near Shiro, in Grimes County, Texas. Please refer to the enclosed map for the location and details of the project area.

Burns & McDonnell is requesting your assistance identifying the human and natural resources in the study area regarding any routing constraints or opportunities within the area. Routing constraints include those areas or resources which may not be compatible with transmission line construction, such as airports, protected species habitat, or dense residential areas. Routing opportunities include such things as previously disturbed areas, industrial corridors, and existing utility rights-of-way. Your input on any of the following resources will assist the project team in developing preliminary alternative routes that take advantage of opportunities while minimizing potential environmental and land use impacts, including the following:

- Land Use (current or proposed land development projects, park/recreation areas, etc.)
- Aesthetics
- Water quality and wetlands
- Soils and geology
- Wildlife, vegetation, and fisheries (including threatened and endangered species)
- Socioeconomics (population, employment, growth, current/future development)
- Cultural resources (historic and archaeological)
- Transportation and roads (airport and roadway expansions, construction, operations, and maintenance)

In addition to the above requested items, we are also requesting information regarding any permits or any type of approval for construction of the proposed transmission line within your jurisdiction.

Your input is important and we would appreciate any feedback by March 1, 2013. The information we collect will be used to assist Entergy in developing its application before the Public Utility Commission of Texas to seek a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for this project.

We appreciate your assistance. Please contact Melissa Misplay at (972) 455-3123 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Tony Bassak, AICP, GISP Project Manager

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February 5, 2013

Ms. Frances Peoples
President
Montgomery County Genealogical & Historical Society
P.O. Box 867
Conroe, TX 77305

Request for Information

Entergy Texas, Inc. Proposed Ponderosa to Grimes 230kV Transmission Line Project

BMcD Project number: 71136

Dear Ms. Peoples:

Entergy Texas, Inc. (Entergy) is proposing to construct a new 230 kilovolt (kV) overhead electric transmission line to connect the proposed Ponderosa Switching Station on the southwest side of Conroe, in Montgomery County, Texas to the existing Grimes Substation near Shiro, in Grimes County, Texas. Please refer to the enclosed map for the location and details of the project area.

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Sincerely,

Tony Bassak, AICP, GISP

Project Manager

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February 5, 2013

Historic Montgomery Business Association P.O. Box 486 Montgomery, TX 77356

Request for Information

Entergy Texas, Inc. Proposed Ponderosa to Grimes 230kV Transmission Line Project

BMcD Project number: 71136

To whom is may concern:

Entergy Texas, Inc. (Entergy) is proposing to construct a new 230 kilovolt (kV) overhead electric transmission line to connect the proposed Ponderosa Switching Station on the southwest side of Conroe, in Montgomery County, Texas to the existing Grimes Substation near Shiro, in Grimes County, Texas. Please refer to the enclosed map for the location and details of the project area.

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We appreciate your assistance. Please contact Melissa Misplay at (972) 455-3123 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Tony Bassak, AICP, GISP Project Manager

**Enclosure** 

From: David L Bond [mailto:David L Bond@hotmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, May 02, 2013 1:50 PM

To: 'OLSON, CARL A'

Cc: 'Gloria Lee'; 'HALE, RONALD D'; Misplay, Melissa; Bassak, Anthony (Tony); 'SIMPSON, JOE A';

POPHAM, JACK

Subject: RE: Montgomery Trace POA - La Quinta Inn & Suites 6930 FM 1488, Magnolia, TX 77354

#### Mr Olson,

Attached is a map of the wetlands area. The yellow outline is reserve B in Montgomery Trace section 5. Plat maps for Montgomery Trace are also on our website <a href="www.montgomerytracepoa.com">www.montgomerytracepoa.com</a> under Governance >Maps>Maps by Section (select 5a). The wetlands were mandated by the Army Corps of Engineers as a requirement for the construction of our Fish Creek 1 Lake that is located in the adjacent Reserve D in Section 5. I know that Jack Popham, our president would be quite happy to talk to you. If you wish you can also call me at 832 364 6381.

Regards, David Bond

From: OLSON, CARL A [mailto:COLSON1@entergy.com]

Sent: Wednesday, May 01, 2013 7:49 AM

To: David Bond

Cc: Gloria Lee; HALE, RONALD D; Melissa Misplay (mmisplay@burnsmcd.com); Tony Basak

(abassak@burnsmcd.com); SIMPSON, JOE A

Subject: RE: Montgomery Trace POA - La Quinta Inn & Suites 6930 FM 1488, Magnolia, TX 77354

Hello Mr. Bond,

You may remember me from the POA meeting on April 18, where we discussed Entergy's proposed transmission project. I was running the computer showing the interactive map. We are following up on the lot that you identified as a wetlands mitigation lot, as I understood it at the meeting. Melissa Misplay (who I have included in this email) would like to get some additional information about this. If you could give your contact information, Melissa can call you about this.

Thank you, Carl Olson Manager, Resource Planning Entergy Texas, Inc. Office: 512-487-3985

Cell: 512-608-3385

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**APPENDIX B - PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT** 



Montgomery County is the fastest growing area among the 24 Texas counties served by Entergy. Keeping the growth momentum going means ensuring a reliable supply of electricity for homes and businesses-a role Entergy Texas recognizes and is eager to take on.

Entergy's transmission engineers and planners are always looking ahead to



ensure that the Entergy Texas transmission system will continue to reliably serve our customers both now and in the future. A new project, The Ponderosa to Grimes Transmission Project, will enable Entergy to meet an important need in Montgomery County by providing a new transmission source of power by early 2016. The project consists of the following: First, Entergy proposes to add a new 345-230 kilovolt transformation point at Entergy's existing Grimes substation located in Grimes County. Second, Entergy would need to construct a new 230 kV transmission line from Entergy's Grimes substation to Entergy's Ponderosa substation. Third, Entergy proposes to add a new 230-138 kilovolt transformation point at Entergy's Ponderosa substation thereby providing a stronger, reliable source to the existing transmission system in Montgomery County. The potential transmission line routes are shown on the map on the back of this page.

At Entergy, we have a simple set of values that we take seriously: focus on our customers, treat people with respect, and act with integrity. Our project construction plan will be developed taking you, our valued customer, into consideration. We will work safely during reasonable hours with as little inconvenience to you as possible. For your information, we have included construction specifications on the back of this page.

Construction details and map on back



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#### QUESTIONNAIRE PONDEROSA TO GRIMES 230KV TRANSMISSION LINE

Completing this questionnaire is an important step in Entergy Texas' evaluation of the various routes under consideration for a new transmission line. While a number of factors must be considered in the selection of the route, your concerns and interests will help Entergy decide which route(s) it will choose.

Please complete the questionnaire before you leave tonight.

1.	Name	
	Address	
	Phone	(Home) (Work)
2.	Do you u	understand the purpose and need for this transmission line?
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3.	Please	check all statements below that apply to you:
	a. P	otential line route is near my home.
	b. P	otential line route is near my business.
	c. F	Potential line route is on my property.
	d. C	Other

CONFI	Listed below are some of the factors considered by Entergy Texas in the process of identifying preliminary transmission routes Please rank them in your order of preference, from 1 to 9, with a "1" to the factor you consider most important and then to the least important.(9)
	Parallel existing compatible rights-of-way where possible
	Maximize distance from commercial buildings
	Minimize visibility of the lines
	Maintain reliable electric service
	Parallel property lines where possible
	Maximize distance from residences
	Maximize distance from historic sites or areas
	Minimize environmental impacts
	Other
5.	Listed below are the environmental factors Entergy Texas considered in identifying preliminary routes. Please indicate whether you believe that these factors are important considerations by indicating "Y" for yes or "N" for no: If you have no opinion, please leave the space blank.
	Near by residences, businesses, schools, churches, hospitals, nursing homes, and other structures and cemeteries
	Nearby commercial radio transmitters, microwave relay stations, or similar electronic installations
	Nearby parks and/or recreational areas
	Nearby airport runways, airstrips, or heliports
	Nearby historical or archeological sites
	_ Agricultural areas irrigated by traveling irrigation systems
	_ Environmentally sensitive areas
	_ Threatened or endangered species
	100-year Floodplains.

	of routes, please explain:
Please in	dicate which route segments (links) you prefer and indicate all reasons
Please in why.	ndicate which route segments (links) you do not prefer and indicate all
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Do you	have any comments concerning the transmission structures that Enters proposing? If so, please explain.

CONF.	IDENTIAL DRAFT  Do you have any other concerns/comments that were not addressed above? (Please use back if necessary).
10.	If you would like to be contacted by Entergy Texas, please indicate the issue or concern you have so that the correct person may contact you.

Thank you for your comments!

### **AGENCIES CONTACTED**

#### **FEDERAL**

- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
- Sam Houston National Forest
- U.S. Department of Transportation
  - Federal Aviation Administration

#### STATE

- Texas Department of Transportation
  - Aviation Division
  - Environmental Affairs Division
- Texas General Land Office
- Texas Water Development Board
- Texas Parks & Wildlife Department
- Texas Historical Commission
- Brazos Valley Council of Governments
- Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments
- San Jacinto River Authority

#### **LOCAL**

- Montgomery and Grimes County Officials
- City of Conroe, City of Montgomery, and City of Anderson city officials
- Montgomery and Grimes County Farm Bureaus
- Montgomery County Genealogical and Historical Society
- Anderson-Shiro, Iola, Navasota, Richards, Conroe, Magnolia, New Caney, Splendora, Willis, and Montgomery Independent School Districts
- Lake Conroe Area, East Montgomery County Area, and Navasota Grimes County Area Chambers of Commerce
- Greater Conroe Economic Development Council
- Historical Montgomery Business Association





# Typical Environmental and Land Use Routing Criteria

- Length of alternative route
- · Length of route parallel and adjacent to existing transmission lines
- Length of route utilizing 100% existing right-of-way (no new right-of-way required)
- Length of route utilizing partial existing right-of-way (additional right-of-way required)
- Length of route parallel and adjacent to existing public roads/highways
- Length of route parallel and adjacent to existing natural gas pipelines
- Length of route parallel and adjacent to railroads
- Length of route parallel to apparent property boundaries
- Total length of route parallel to existing corridors (including apparent property boundaries)
- Number of existing transmission line crossings
- Number of habitable structures within 500 ft of the route centerline
- Length of route across parks/recreational areas
- Number of additional parks or recreational areas within 1,000 ft of the route centerline
- Length of route across commercial/industrial areas
- Length of route across agricultural pastureland
- Length of route across agricultural cropland
- Length of route across pasture or cropland irrigated by traveling irrigation systems
- · Length of route across woodlands
- Length of route across wetlands
- Number of streams crossed by the route
- Length of the route parallel to streams (within 100 ft)
- Number of known rare/unique plant locations within the right-of-way
- Length of route across known habitat of endangered or threatened species
- Number of recorded cultural resource sites crossed by the route
- Number of additional recorded cultural resource sites within 1,000 ft of the route centerline
- Length of route across areas of high prehistoric and historic archaeological site potential
- Number of FAA-registered airstrips within 20,000 ft of the route centerline
- Number of private airstrips within 10,000 ft of the route centerline
- Number of heliports within 5,000 ft of the route centerline
- Number of commercial AM radio transmitters within 10,000 ft of route centerline
- Number of FM radio transmitters, microwave relay stations, and other electronic installations within 2,000 ft of route centerline
- Number of U.S. or State Highways crossed by the route centerline
- Number of farm-to-market (F.M.), county roads, or other streets crossed by the route centerline





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