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Madam Chairman,

This letter is to let it be known that my family and I are **opposed** to having tall high voltage utility towers cutting through main thoroughfares in Frisco, Texas. The following are the reasons we oppose the current placement routes of the lines.

- We question the need for capacity as data supports current area usage to be at approximately 60% and by 2018 will only be at 73%.
- We question the need for Brazos to function expeditiously at the expense of transparency.
- We want to ensure that adequate planning takes place for the siting and construction of additional capacity that uses all the available time and involves all affected homeowners and the City of Frisco.
- Our city has an ordinance for transmission line burial, which should be upheld.
- Why can't existing utility lines and corridors be used?
- This will adversely affect over 35,000 residents' property values and threaten the growing tax base.
- The City of Frisco stands in formal opposition of this plan having voted unanimously on a resolution in protest.
- We have valid concerns regarding the electromagnetic field associated with these lines and the potential negative health impacts of school age children.
- These lines are placed in close proximity to an existing elementary school, a planned second elementary, middle and high school.

In addition, I urge you **hold local public hearings on this issue in Frisco** to accommodate the thousands of residents who will want to speak.

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It appears that the bulk of the expected future power needs are within the Cities of Hackberry and Little Elm. Yet, the burden, exposure, risk, and loss of value is proposed to affect the citizens of Frisco. The City of Frisco, TX has established transmission lines and substations that feed the majority of the City of Frisco's residents. It stands logically that the City of Hackberry and the City of Little Elm also bear the same burdens for their residents and that the City of Frisco should not.

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If Brazos can prove there is indeed a need for what they are proposing, they need to consider all potential routes. We are one of the fastest growing cities, and there is a reason for it. As a master planned community, Frisco has given much thought and taken great care in the development of our beautiful city. If additional infrastructure is needed within and for the City of Frisco, the lines should be buried in compliance with existing City of Frisco ordinances. If additional infrastructure is needed for other cities then the infrastructure should be built in the cities it is intended to server. There are many benefits to burying lines such as fewer outages due to inclement weather and tornadoes, less maintenance, less street congestion, and a reduction in the negative impacts to the home values and tax base along the route. In addition, we would not have to look at the monstrous eyesores created by huge transmission towers all the time. There are research results out that show the cost to bury lines has significantly decreased as well as that maintenance costs are substantially lower. I believe that, when you examine the benefits, you will see that burying the lines is a better investment in the long run. The citizens of Frisco would like to work with Brazos, but we have been told "No" with every compromise we suggest. I promote compromise but I also encourage doing the right thing and not just the expedient thing. If the power transmission lines and substations are not bcated in the area they are intended to server now, we will all have to go through this again in future years in order to get the power to where it is needed.

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