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AND NECESSITY FOR THE	§	
LIMESTONE TO GIBBONS CREEK	§	\mathbf{OF}
345-KV TRANSMISSION LINE IN	§	
BRAZOS, FREESTONE, GRIMES,	§	
LEOAN, LIMESTONE, MADISON AND	§	
ROBERTSON COUNTIES	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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INTERVENOR, WILLIAM ERNEST CANNON, JR.'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

- Staff 1-1 State whether there are any Habitable Structures on your property that are near one or more of the segments of the proposed routes for the Houston Import Project. If there are Habitable Structures near one or more of the segments of the proposed routes for the Houston Import Project:
 - a. Describe your Habitable Structure(s);
 - b. Identify the segments of the proposed routes that affect your Habitable Structure(s); and
 - c. Estimate the distance between your Habitable Structure(s) and the segments you identified in response to Staff No. 1-1(b).

ANSWER:

Since I was notified that Cross Texas Transmission was considering putting a power line across or adjacent to my property, I presume there is a chance that the power line could be in close proximity to my home. My home is made of brick and is approximately 3,600 square feet. I do not have enough information to state whether the route would affect my home.

- Staff 1-2 State whether any segments of the proposed routes for the Houston Import Project cross your property. If any segments of the proposed routes for the Houston Import Project do cross your property:
 - a. Identify such segments that cross your property.

b. Identify any features, including but not limited to, property lines, pipelines, power lines, or roads that such segments follow on to your property.

ANSWER:

I do not have enough information to state whether any proposed route is going to cross my property. Since I received a letter from Cross Texas Transmission, I presume there is a chance that the power line could cross my property. I object to the power line crossing or being adjacent to my property.

Staff 1-3 State whether any existing transmission or distribution lines cross your property. If any existing transmission or distribution lines cross your property, describe how and where such lines cross your property.

ANSWER:

I don't know what is meant by transmission or distribution lines. I have an undivided interest in approximately 1,100 acres in the Laceola Community of Madison County. There are power lines that service my property.

- Staff 1-4 State whether any existing transmission or distribution lines are visible from your property? If any existing transmission or distribution lines are visible from your property:
 - a. Describe where along your property the existing transmission or distribution lines are visible.
 - b. State the distance that the existing transmission or distribution lines are visible from your property.
 - c. State how the existing transmission or distribution lines affect your property, if at all.

ANSWER:

I don't know what is meant by transmission or distribution lines. There are power lines that are visible that service the electrical needs of my property.

Staff 1-5 Have you discussed or requested any modifications of the proposed routes for the Houston Import Project with Cross Texas Transmission, LLC ("Cross Texas")? If so, what were the modifications that you discussed or requested and what was the response by Cross Texas?

ANSWER:

To my knowledge I have not talked to anyone from Cross Texas Transmission.

Staff 1-6 Detail your specific concerns about the Houston Import Project.

ANSWER:

My concerns are whether the route and need for the proposed power line is necessary. Among other things, I am concerned about the power lines damaging the value of my property, interfering with the general use of my property, interfering with my right to enjoy the property, creating a nuisance and a hazard to the livestock.

Staff 1-7 Did you attend any open houses presented by Cross Texas regarding the Houston Import Project? If so, when and where? Did you provide written comments to Cross Texas at or after the open house? If so, provide a copy of these written comments.

ANSWER:

No.

Staff 1-8 Are the property boundaries for the property you own represented accurately on the maps, including supplemental maps, provided by Cross Texas in its application? If not, explain any discrepancies and provide a map or drawing that indicates the discrepancies.

ANSWER:

I don't know.

Staff 1-9 What is the primary use for your property and, in your opinion, will this use be impacted by the proposed routes for the Houston Import Project?

ANSWER:

The primary use of my property is farming and ranching. See number 6 above for my concerns about how the power line would affect my property.

Staff 1-10 Is there any feature about your property that you believe should be considered when routing a transmission line on your property? If so, please explain.

ANSWER:

The subject land identified in number 3 above has been in my family for over 100 years. I am 68 years old and have lived on the land since I was a child. My wife and I raised our son and daughter on the land. My wife and I still live on the property as does our son and his wife. My father and his ancestors worked hard to buy and keep the land. My family continues the family heritage of raising livestock and living off the land. I don't want to see my and my family's hard work damaged by a power line that I do not believe is necessary.

Staff 1-11 Identify all persons or entities with an ownership interest (legal or beneficial) in your property.

ANSWER:

I have an undivided interest in the property referenced in number 3 above.

Staff 1-12 If a transmission line for the Houston Import Project is routed on your property, identify the specific location that you would prefer for the right-of-way of the line.

ANSWER:

I would want the power line out of sight and out of mind where you could only see it from the air.