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APPLICATION OF CROSS TEXAS § BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
TRANSMISSION, LLC TO AMEND A §
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE §
AND NECESSITY FOR THE §
LIMESTONE TO GIBBONS CREEK § OF
345-KV TRANSMISSION LINE IN §
BRAZOS, FREESTONE, GRIMES, §
LEON, LIMESTONE, MADISON AND §
ROBERTSON COUNTIES § ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF INTERVENOR DONALD & YOLANDA KUBIAK ON
BEHALF OF THE DICKERSON ALLIANCE**

Intervenor DONALD & YOLANDA KUBIAK ON BEHALF OF THE
DICKERSON ALLIANCE ("THE DICKERSON ALLIANCE") files this Direct
Testimony, which is attached. THE DICKERSON ALLIANCE stipulates that this Direct
Testimony can be treated by all parties as if the answers were filed under oath.

Respectfully submitted,

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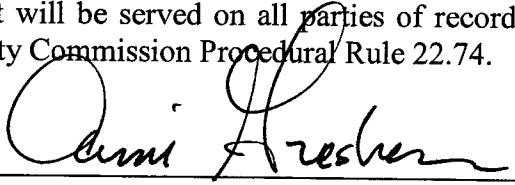
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ALLIANCE**

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on July 13, 2015, in accordance with Public Utility Commission Procedural Rule 22.74.



Cassie Gresham

Direct Testimony of Donald & Yolanda Kubiak
on Behalf of the Dickerson Alliance
PUC DOCKET NO. 44649
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3 **I. INTRODUCTION**
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6 QUESTION: PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND CURRENT ADDRESS FOR THE
7 RECORD.
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10 ANSWER: DONALD & YOLANDA KUBIAK
11 7409 CR 419
12 NORMANGEE, TEXAS 77871-6333
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16 QUESTION: ARE YOU AN INTERVENOR IN SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-15-3596
17 AND PUC DOCKET NO. 44649 AND ON WHOSE BEHALF ARE YOU
18 TESTIFYING?
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20 ANSWER: Yes. I am testifying on behalf of Intervenor DONALD & YOLANDA
21 KUBIAK and THE DICKERSON ALLIANCE, which I support. We own the property.
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25 QUESTION: HAVE YOU EVER TESTIFIED IN A PUBLIC UTILITY
26 COMMISSION OF TEXAS ("PUC" OR "COMMISSION") PROCEEDING?
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28 ANSWER: No, I have not.
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32 QUESTION: WHERE IS YOUR PROPERTY LOCATED?
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34 ANSWER: Generally where CTT has my property identified. See **Exhibit A**.
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38 QUESTION: ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THIS AREA OF LEON COUNTY,
39 TEXAS?
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ANSWER: Yes, I am.

1 **III. DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY AND THE LINE'S IMPACT**
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4 QUESTION: ARE THERE ANY HABITABLE STRUCTURES ON THE
5 PROPERTY?
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7 ANSWER: Yes, there are two houses. Both are one story with one 4/2 and the other 2/2.
8 There are also two equipment barns. The 4/2 is about 250 to 400 feet from Segment KK
9 and the 2/2 is 400 to 500 feet from it.
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12 QUESTION: PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR PROPERTY'S CURRENT USES.
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14 ANSWER: Housing for our family and storage facilities for farm equipment.
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17 QUESTION: ARE THERE ANY WATER WELL SITES ON THE PROPERTY? IF
18 SO, DESCRIBE THE GENERAL LOCATION.
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20 ANSWER: Yes, near the home.
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23 QUESTION: DO ANY EXISTING TRANSMISSION OR DISTRIBUTION LINES
24 CROSS YOUR PROPERTY? IF SO, PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW AND WHERE
25 THEY CROSS THE PROPERTY.
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27 ANSWER: No existing transmission lines. Normal electricity lines to supply
28 electricity to the houses, barns and wells are present. The distribution line border our
29 property at the CR 419.
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32 QUESTION: WOULD THE LINKS THAT MIGHT IMPACT YOUR PROPERTY
33 RUN ALONG ANY BOUNDARY LINES OF YOUR PROPERTY?
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35 ANSWER: Segment KK bisects through the middle my property.
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1 QUESTION: HOW WOULD A 345KV ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE IMPACT
2 YOUR PROPERTY AND ITS OPERATIONS?

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4 ANSWER: There is a small pond over which the Segment KK would pass and it is too
5 close to our houses. We are also concerned about how it effects our ability to continue
6 living normally as we have since we've been here. Again, Segment KK would be too
7 close to the houses and the electrical noise would also be troubling.

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11 QUESTION: IF THE TRANSMISSION LINE IS BUILT ON YOUR PROPERTY, DO
12 YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT CTT HAVING ACCESS TO YOUR
13 PROPERTY?

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15 ANSWER: Yes, we have the general concerns of landowners who are required to
16 give third parties access to their property. Also, this would materially affect the use of
17 our property. I hope that CTT will respect my property.

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20 QUESTION: IF THE TRANSMISSION LINE IS BUILT ON YOUR PROPERTY, DO
21 YOU HAVE ANY OTHER CONCERNS?

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23 ANSWER: We have general safety and health concerns for living around transmission
24 lines and EMF issues. Because potential buyers may be aware of medical studies
25 available on the Internet arguing, correctly or not, a connection between high-powered
26 transmission lines causing health problems and possible cancer, we are concerned about a
27 negative stigma being attached to our property and the possible devaluation of our
28 property value. In addition, the buzzing sounds emanating from high-voltage
29 transmission lines would be bothersome for people living near them.

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32 QUESTION: IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE THE
33 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE AND THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION TO
34 CONSIDER IN THIS PROCEEDING?

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36 ANSWER: No.

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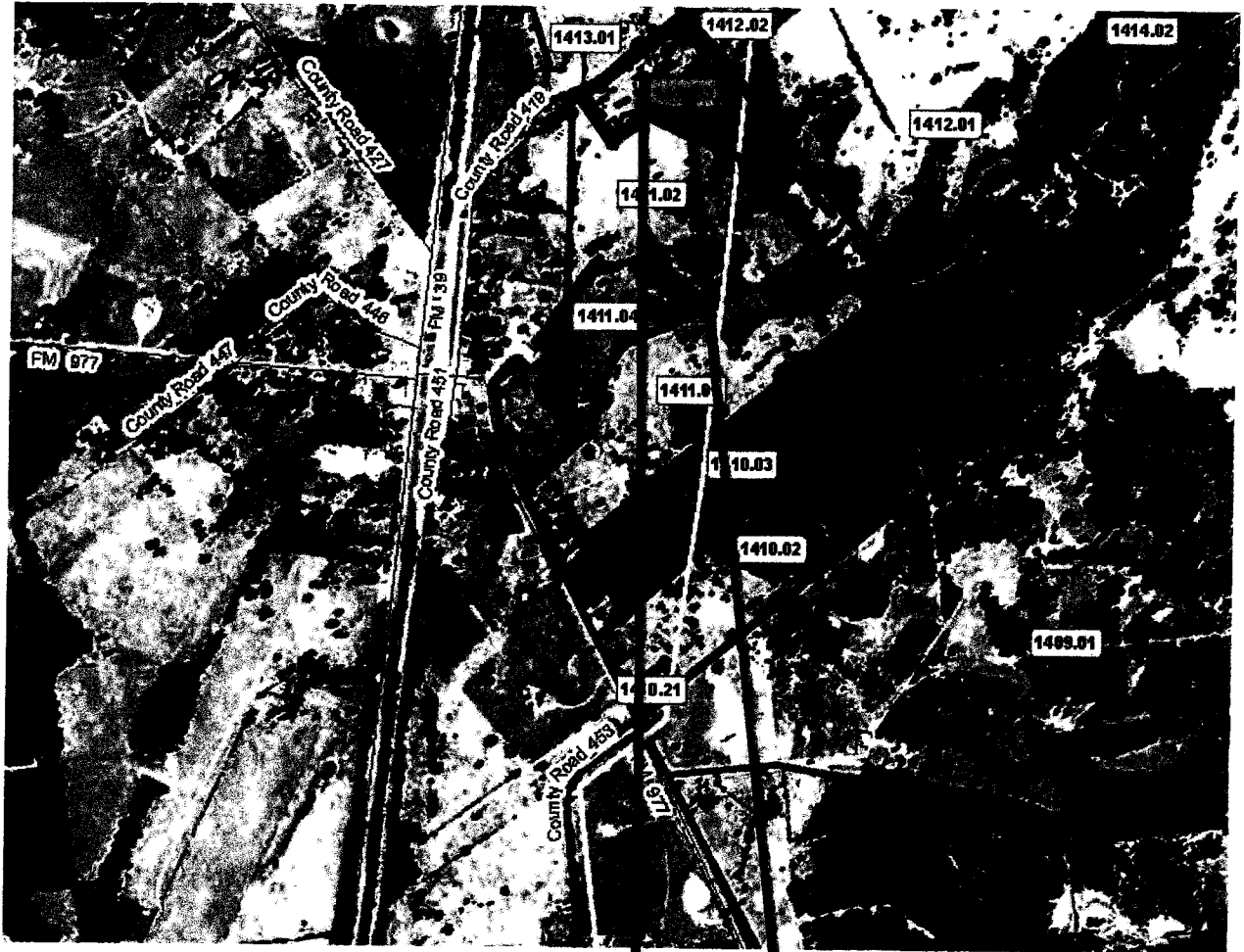
IV. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

QUESTION: HOW WOULD YOU SUMMARIZE YOUR POSITION IN THIS PROCEEDING REGARDING CTT’S RECOMMENDED ROUTE 18 AND THE PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE ROUTES?

ANSWER: We oppose any route using Link KK and U, including Routes 203, 222, 252, 274-279 and 289. We support CTT’s Route 18 as the route that best meets the overall community values and PURA § 37.056(c)(4) and P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.101(b)(3)(B).

QUESTION: DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?

ANSWER: Yes.



2 Houses

Yolanda Kubiak Property ID: 1411.03

