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The Honorable Casey A. Bell, Administrative Law Judge State Office of Administrative Hearings P.O. Box 13025 Austin, Texas 78711-3025

Public Utility Commission of Texas 1701 N. Congress Ave. P.O. Box 13326 Austin, Texas 78711-3326

RE: INTERVENOR STATEMENT OF POSITION PUC DOCKETT NO. 45624 AND SOAH DOCKETT NO. 473-16-2751 PROPOSED GARLAND POWERLINE RIGHT-OF-WAY BOYD GILBERT MILLER FAMILY TRUST 416.20 ACRES, E. WHITE SURVEY, A-669 AND J. MCADAMS SURVEY, A-422, PANOLA COUNTY, TEXAS (1/5 Undivided Interest)

Your Honor and Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with the PUC Intervenor Rules, we submit the following objections to the above referenced proposed Garland Transmission R-O-W, Route #4 that crosses our above referenced tract in Panola County, Texas:

1. The tract has been a long-time Certified Tree Farm, where its primary use has been timber production,

2. The tract already has approximately 16.5 acres of utility rights-of-way and well sites on the property and the proposed transmission line r-o-w will take another estimated 15 acres (150' X 4,500') of prime timber land out of production (see attached aerial photo),

3. These approximately 31.5 acres of rights-of-way would then total more 14% of the land on the 226acre tract

4. Utility rights-of-way remove the land from timber production forever, unlike pasture land, which can be reused when the power line construction is finished, and

5. The addition of another large r-o-w will further diminish the value of the property and reduce the timber value, due to reduction in number of acres in timber volume being produced, and

6. The construction and maintenance of the R-O-W could have a negative effect on the adjacent Wetlands easement, currently being managed by the USDA-Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS).

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This concludes my comments. Please keep me advised as to all filings, hearings and procedural schedules concerning this case.

If you have any questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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