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APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF	§
GARLAND TO AMEND A	§
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THE	§
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PROPOSED RUSK TO PANOLA	§
DOUBLE CIRCUIT 345-KV	§
TRANSMISSION LINE IN RUSK AND	§
PANOLA COUNTIES, TEXAS	§

BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE UTILITY COLIMISSION

OF

**ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS** 

## **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF**

Carl "Buddy" Carswell, Jr.

- Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS.
- A. My name is Carl "Buddy" Carswell, Jr.

My address is:

P O Box 2164

Addison, TX 75001

- Q. DO YOU OPPOSE THE ROUTING OF THE RUSK TO PANOLA 345 KV
  TRANSMISSION LINE BEING ON YOUR PROPERTY?
- A. Yes, I do oppose the transmission line crossing my property on Segment 46, either route RP 50 or RP 53. I am concerned about the loss of property values, the loss of production acreage of my hay meadow, and the loss of timber acreage. I only have a small amount of property and the transmission line could drastically adversity affect my proper value.

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Q. IS THERE A ROUTE YOU SUPPORT AS BEING IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMMUNITY VALUES?

A. Yes, there was discussion of a route at a meeting held in Carthage that that I support. It includes Segments 1, 7, 9, 13, 23, 24, 28, 31, 34, 41, and 43. There were very few Interveners that would be affected and the line would be over only three habitable structures. It was also a route where one of the Interveners preferred that the line to be routed rather than two other Segments where the line would cross her property. I believe most if not all, the other affected Interveners could have concerns addressed if Garland attempted to do so. For instance, most people prefer the line follow their property line, rather than bisect their land.

Q. DO YOU BELIEVE THE ROUTE YOU DESCRIBE WOULD BE IN KEEPING WITH COMMUNITY VALUES?

A. Yes, as based on my discussion above.

## VI. CONCLUSION

- Q. DOES THIS COMPLETE YOUR TESTIMONY?
- A. Yes, it does.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Çarswell, Jr.