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APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF SAN §
ANTONIO ACTING BY AND THROUGH §
THE CITY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD §
(CPS ENERGY) TO AMEND ITS §
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE §
AND NECESSITY FOR THE PROPOSED §
SCENIC LOOP 138-KV TRANSMISSION §
LINE §

BEFORE THE
STATE OFFICE OF
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

STATEMENT OF POSITION OF
SANJAY KUMAR, MD

My name is Sanjay Kumar, MD. I am an intervenor in this case. I live at 10927 Anaqua Springs, Boerne TX, which is within the Anaqua Springs Ranch subdivision and am impacted by the transmission line that runs along Toutant Beauregard and that runs along the southern border of Anaqua Springs Ranch property.

I am opposed to the routes that use/ run along/ are parallel to or follow Toutant Beauregard Road for the following reasons:

1. The proposed route runs along the property of Dr. Sara B. McAndrew Elementary School, which is located at 26615 Toutant Beauregard Road, Boerne TX. As a physician who did his residency in pediatrics, I am concerned about the potential impact of high voltage transmission lines on children who attend this school. High voltage transmission lines emit electromagnetic fields which have been linked to leukemia and negative effects on the neurobehavioral performance in children. While the effects of these transmission lines on developing children have not been conclusively proven, it is unconscionable that CPS would entertain such a route when other, less intrusive routes are available. Further, Northside Independent School

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District has proposed a middle school on Toutant Beauregard in close proximity to McAndrew Elementary School, which would also be impacted by this proposed route and its high voltage transmission lines. I urge you not to put the desires of wealthy land developers, who are willing to donate land to CPS in order to get their way, ahead of the safety of our community's school children.

2. The proposed route would also inflict a severe negative impact on the natural beauty of this area, which is what originally drew us to it to build our dream home. Estimates indicate that property values could be cut by 20-40% by locating 110-foot transmission towers with high voltage electrical lines in such close proximity to homes along Toutant Beauregard Rd. It is completely unjustified for CPS to construct transmission towers so close to the many existing homes and families that have been here for years rather than on available undeveloped land; thereby protecting the interests of land developers who hope to develop future housing projects. CPS is demonstrating complete disregard for individual homeowners' interests.

I am also opposed to the routes that use segments 38, 39, and 43 because those segments impact Anaqua Springs Ranch properties on the southern border.

I wish to remain an intervenor and participate in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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