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RE: PUC Docket No . 51023; Application of the City of San Antonio to Amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for Scenic Loop 139-KV Transmission Line in Bexar County,

Letter in Lieu of Oral Argument in CPS Scenic Loop CCN Proceeding.

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

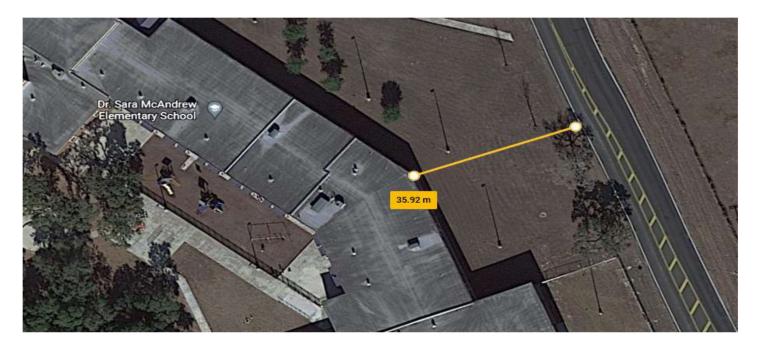
My name is Diana Zhang. I am a home owner in Anaqua Springs Ranch. I would like to take this opportunity to submit my oral argument, in writing, since the last-minute notice less than 2 days prior to the in-person meeting did not provide sufficient time to make arrangements for work or Childcare. I sincerely hope that my inability to appear in person was not misconstrued as not being concerned about the proposed routes Z2 along Toutant Beauregard Rd.

A lot of people live in this area because we fell in love with the scenic nature of the area, relaxed by the winding country road - Toutant Beauregard Rd, which is <u>NOT</u> a thoroughfare as other parties have described it. Manipulation of cost of Route Z2 by cutting deal with wealthy developer to provide free and discounted land in exchange for moving the route - no one individual resident has the financial resources to buy their way out of the transmission line like a developer can; instead of focusing on the amount of money someone(group) is gaining from such arrangement, here are a few numbers that should be focused on:

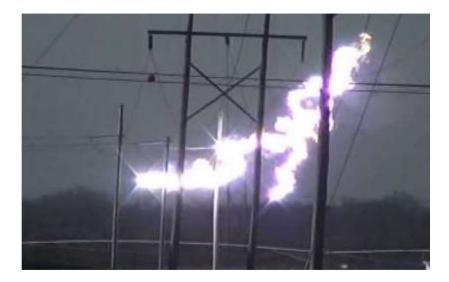
1. The High Voltage transmission lines poses great risk to the Dr. Sara McAndrew Elementary School, and 331 children in it.

- <u>23.81m</u> is the distance the 138KV transmission lines will be located from the closest part of the school, where the children will be learning.
- <u>35.92m</u> is the distance the 138KV transmission lines will be from the section next to it, shown in 2 below satellite imageries.
- <u>60m</u> is the distance the high voltage can travel up to in the incident one of the lines broke and touches the ground, or a tree
- <u>331</u> is the number of children currently enrolled at Dr. Sara McAndrew Elementary School for the 2021-2022 school year, not to mention teachers, administrators, office staff, maintaining crew, etc.
- <u>385</u> is the number of families affected by the power lines if route Z2 is chosen, vs. 17 families affected by the alternative suggested by the engineers.





Below is a real life photo of a 138KV transmission line arcing, would you feel safe spending 8 hours a day, 5 days a week being less than 24 meters from that? More importantly, would your children?!

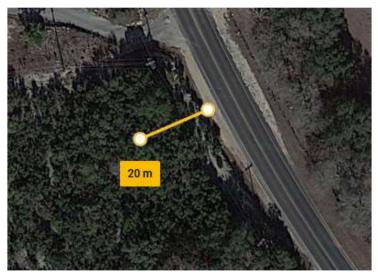


2. Part of the routes on Toutant Beauregard Rd is located in the flood zone as indicated on the map.

In order to meet the vegetation clearance to create the right-of-way for the transmission lines, a significant number of large trees will need to be cut down, which poses a bigger flood risk especially for the families between the 2 flood gates. The alternate route suggested by the engineers would have avoided this problem altogether, why was the decision made against the less destructive and safer route?

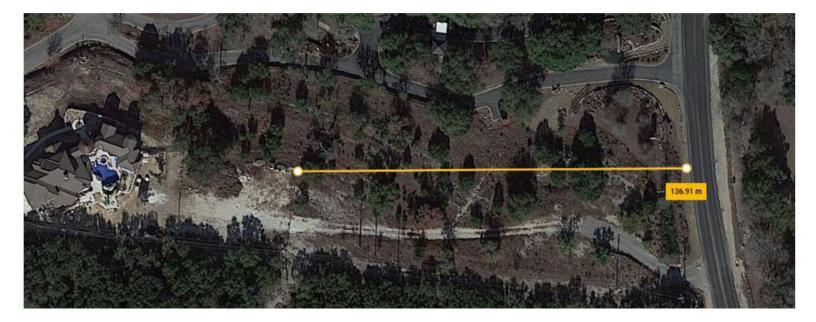






3. Major safety and health risk due to close proximity.

The proposed route Z2 puts the transmission lines less than 140 meters from my property line where my children play all the time, we enjoy spending time outside as a family at least 2, 3 days a week. I do not feel safe with such high voltage transmission line being right outside my back yard, for concerns regarding electrocution, health risk such as but not limitted to cancer, electronic health monitoring devices, to name a few.



Respectfully,

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