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RE: POC DOCKET NO. 55067 - Application of Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC for the Ramhorn Hill to Dunham 345 KV Transmission Line, M-8 Proposed Power Line

STATEMENT OF POSITION

Craig D. K. & Alice M. Jones own Guy James Ranch BLK 1, Lot 8 (12700 Helen Rd., Justin TX 76247). Their property would be directly affected if the proposed line is routed across Segment M8. The Jones's, therefore, have a clear justiciable interest that may be adversely affected by the outcome of this proceeding.

We object to Routes 1, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 96, 142, 143, 191, 192, but do not object to Route 179 which is the Oncor proposed route.

We STRONGLY oppose any route with link M8 for the following reasons:

1. FAILURE to follow the law and exercise prudent avoidance for Guy James Ranch BLK 1, Lot 8 (12700 Helen Rd., Justin TX 76247):

The following statement was included in your US Mail notification, dated 8 June 2023, page it states:

"You are receiving the enclosed formal notice because one or more of the routes for a proposed transmission line may require an easement or other interests across your property, or the centerline of the proposed project may come within 300 feet of a house or other habitable structure on your property. The distance is expanded to 500 feet if the line is greater than 230 kilovolts (kV). For this reason, your property is considered directly affected land."

Oncor fails to meet Texas law for the prudence avoidance requirement because our entire property, including our metal shop, our house and our pool is contained within 300 feet from the centerline of the M8 proposed power line. Our backyard, home and shop will become areas of proven significant health hazard that the electromagnetic radiation exposure will present.

Additionally, our home and our metal shop bordering the proposed M-8 line will be at a proven significantly higher risk for lightening strikes. This poses a significant increase of fire risk. Our neighborhood does not have an adequate fire hydrant water supply to support fire departments in fighting a large structure fire. This potentially could result in an increase risk for the loss of life and property, due to fire as a result of lightening strikes.

2. FAILURE to exercise prudent avoidance and consider the safety of aircraft operating into Propwash Airport:

I am a pilot and fly in and out of the Propwash Airport, which is also located just North of the proposed M8 route. It is a proven fact that power lines and the associated towers/poles are a significant risk to aircraft operations near airports. Even when the towers/poles meet the FAA maximum height requirement. If the M8 line is approved and constructed it will pose a significant risk to the lives of pilots and passengers operating in and out of the Propwash Airport.

3. FAILURE to follow the law and exercise prudent avoidance for the entire community of Guy James Ranch:

There are well over one hundred adults and children living along Helen Road to the south of the proposed M8 line that would be within the 500 foot danger zone from the centerline of the route. There are also many hundreds more that live in the entire community of Guy James Ranch whose lives and health would be adversely affected.

Additionally, homes and metal shops/buildings bordering the proposed M-8 line will be at a proven significantly higher risk for lightening strikes. This poses a significant increase of fire risk to these homes and buildings. Our neighborhood does not have an adequate fire hydrant

In conclusion, for the above reasons we respectfully request that the PUC not select routes 1, 65, 67, 68, 69, 72, 96, 142, 143, 191, 192 or any route containing the M8 segment.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig D. K. & Alice M. Jones