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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my deep concerns regarding the proposed installation of electric transmission lines and the potential exposure to electromagnetic fields (EMFs) in our neighborhood, through the Ramhorn Hill-Dunham Road high-voltage power line project. **The M8 Route, specifically, runs parallel to my fence line and my home is considered directly affected land. This would also put us within the 500 feet of the electromagnetic field .** While I understand the necessity of such infrastructure for providing electricity, it is crucial to consider the potential adverse effects on our health, property values, and overall quality of life.

Firstly, extensive scientific research has demonstrated a possible correlation between long-term exposure to electromagnetic fields and various health risks. Although the consensus on the subject is still evolving, studies have indicated potential links to increased risks of cancer, neurological disorders, and other health problems. Living in close proximity to electric transmission lines and the associated EMFs could expose us and our families to higher levels of electromagnetic radiation, thereby posing potential health hazards.

Moreover, the installation of electric transmission lines and the presence of associated EMFs have been observed to decrease property values in numerous studies. Potential homebuyers are often deterred from purchasing properties near high-voltage power lines due to concerns about health risks and aesthetics. This decrease in demand inevitably leads to a decline in property values, affecting not only our immediate neighbors but the entire community. Given the significant investment we have made in our homes, a decrease in property values could have a detrimental impact on our financial well-being and overall stability.

Furthermore, it is worth considering the concept of prudent avoidance when it comes to the placement of electric transmission lines. Prudent avoidance refers to the practice of minimizing exposure to known or potential hazards when possible, even if the scientific evidence is inconclusive. In light of the existing concerns surrounding the health effects of electromagnetic radiation, it would be prudent to avoid locating these transmission lines in densely populated residential areas. By adopting a precautionary approach and considering alternative routes or technologies, we can protect the well-being of our community and future generations.

In light of these reasons, I kindly request that you consider alternative options for the installation of electric transmission lines and take into account the potential risks and consequences associated with living in close proximity to such infrastructure. It is imperative to prioritize the health, safety, and well-being of the residents who call this neighborhood home.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I believe that through open dialogue and careful consideration, we can find solutions that balance the need for electricity with the concerns of the community.

Respectfully,

Kimberley Ventrca