

February 17, 2015

[Contact]  
[Organization]  
[Address]  
[City], [State] [Zip]

Re: Proposed Leander to Round Rock 138-kV Transmission Line Addition Project in Williamson County, Texas

Dear [Contact]:

LCRA Transmission Services Corporation (LCRA TSC) proposes to add electric transmission infrastructure needed to serve the rapidly growing area in Williamson County from Round Rock to Cedar Park and north to Leander. An initial step in the state-regulated transmission line routing process is to solicit input about the study area from local elected officials and public agencies. ***Please review the study area on the enclosed map and provide us with any information that may help us identify the future location of transmission infrastructure.***

### **Project Description**

LCRA TSC is proposing to build and operate a new single-circuit, double-circuit capable 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line in southwestern Williamson County. The new line will extend between the existing Leander Substation, and a new substation (Substation 2) in the area near the intersection of Ronald Reagan Boulevard and Crystal Falls Parkway, and a new substation (Substation 1) to be located in the area near the intersection of Parmer Lane/Ronald Reagan Boulevard and FM 1431, and the existing Round Rock Substation. The entire project will be about 10 to 20 miles long, depending on the final route. The location of the project study area is shown on the enclosed map.

### **Your Input in the Regulatory Process**

***LCRA TSC requests that your office provide any information that could affect the transmission line route in this area.*** The Public Utility Commission (PUC) regulates transmission line routing in Texas. As part of that process, transmission companies routinely solicit input from local elected officials and surrounding agencies that may know of potential impacts to the study area. Specifically, we ask you to consider any impacts that involve:

- Environmental and land use constraints
- Current or proposed land development projects
- Construction projects
- Other areas of interest within the study area

Your input is important in evaluating alternative routes and assessing potential impacts. Additionally, we would appreciate receiving information about any of the following conditions that you believe could affect this project:

- Permits
- Easements
- Other required approvals by your agency/office

After the PUC selects the final route for the project, LCRA TSC will obtain any necessary permits from your agency/office.

### **Next Steps in the Regulatory Process**

The LCRA TSC consultant for this project, Power Engineers, is preparing an Environmental Assessment and Alternative Route Analysis for LCRA TSC's application to amend its existing Certificate of Convenience and Necessity from the PUC. As part of the Environmental Assessment, Power Engineers is gathering data on the project study area and identifying environmental and land use constraints for a map to submit to the PUC as part of the Environmental Assessment. Power Engineers will use this map to identify potential alternative route segments that take into account these constraints.

Once Power Engineers identifies preliminary alternate route segments and substation locations for the project, we will invite you and potentially affected landowners to an open house to review the environmental and land use constraints maps as well as many other exhibits.

Please note the enclosed PUC Certification Process for Transmission Lines. We hope this chart will provide you with an understanding of the regulated process we must follow and your role in it. In addition, we have project information posted on our website at: <http://www.lcra.org/LRR>.

We appreciate your assistance with this project. Please send your input to me by mail, telephone or email:

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Please contact me if you have any questions or would like additional information. We appreciate receiving your reply by March 13, 2015.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

cc: Rob R. Reid (Power Engineers)