June 22, 2023

Ms. Laura Zebehazy  
Wildlife Habitat Assessment Program  
Wildlife Division  
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department  
4200 Smith School Road  
Austin, Texas 78744-3291

Re: Joint Application of LCRA TSC and WETT to Amend their Certificates of Convenience and Necessity for the Proposed North McCamey to Bearkat 345-kV Transmission Line Project in Glasscock, Reagan, and Upton counties, Texas (Project)

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS (PUC) DOCKET NO. 55120

Dear Ms. Zebehazy:

On June 22, 2023, LCRA Transmission Services Corporation (LCRA TSC) and Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC (WETT) filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) the above-referenced application to amend their Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) to construct the proposed North McCamey to Bearkat 345-kilovolt (kV) Transmission Line Project in Glasscock, Reagan, and Upton counties.

As you are aware, the Commission’s CCN application requires that we provide for review and comment a copy of the project environmental assessment (EA) to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) within seven days after the application is filed. Accordingly, enclosed with this letter is a copy of the EA prepared for the referenced project as well as a complete copy of LCRA TSC’s and WETT’s CCN application filed at the Commission. The CCN application also requires that a copy of this transmittal letter be included with the project application. You will find a copy of this letter included as Attachment 12 to the filed Application.

Under the traditional CCN process, TPWD typically provides the Commission Staff with comments about the application. On behalf of LCRA TSC and WETT, and as we have requested in past CCN cases, we would also appreciate receiving a copy of any comments TPWD may choose to provide to Commission Staff. You may send those comments to Justin Stryker and Travis Leverett at the addresses shown below. Of course, LCRA and WETT reserve the right to inquire into the basis of any comments or recommendations TPWD may choose to submit in this case, but we are certain the appropriate arrangements can be made for that inquiry if the necessity arises.

If it would be of benefit to you, LCRA TSC and WETT would appreciate the opportunity to provide you and your staff with a briefing of the CCN application and the accompanying EA at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions about the EA, please feel free to contact Justin Stryker at (512) 730-6803 or Travis Leverett at (737) 218-4517.
Sincerely,

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Enclosures: CCN Application including EA for the North McCamey to Bearkat 345-kV Transmission Line Project

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    Mr. Travis Leverett, WETT w/o enc.
    Mr. Dennis Donley, Naman, Howell, Smith & Lee PLLC w/o enc.
    Ms. Lisa Barko Meaux, POWER Engineers w/o enc.