

9-12-05

Subject: Wilson - Aberdeen - Morgantown
Junction Transmission Line
Project - PSC Docket 2005-00207

These comments are follow-up to my attendance at the PSC Public Hearing on 9-6-05, in Bowling Green. My objection to the proposed power line is more aesthetic than emotional or historical as voiced by the speakers at the hearing. (Although I certainly thought they did a good job expressing their concerns, and I support their concerns.)

My father certainly loved the farm in question and went there every day until the last few years of his 93+ years and would have gone then except he was mentally unable to drive. This farm has been in our family for years, and I have owned it for over thirty years even though we did not live on this farm.

In the last few years, I have

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had several people contact me with an interest in purchasing this property, but I was keeping the farm for income, inheritance for my children and grandchildren and possible future sale. A power line through this property will certainly devalue the farm (as there has already been one utility line located through the farm since I have owned it), interfere with the free roaming of many species of wild life, and the open beauty of the farm will be interrupted. I have allowed several older buildings to be torn down to keep clutter off of the land and to add to its natural beauty. I have "posted" signs on the property and don't give permission for hunting.

With prime farm land becoming so scarce and it being the backbone of human and animal existence, it is alarming to see it devalued and cluttered by outside groups for their benefit and convenience. (This

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farm does not even get power from Warren RECC so this proposed line through this property is of no value to me or the farm. I plan to contact legislators as I feel, in the interest of farmland, land owners, and future generations that laws need to be passed to better protect farms and for future utilities to be able to access any existing utility lines. Purchasing the right to use existing lines couldn't be any more costly than purchasing the amount of land involved in this proposed project.

For your information, I had never been contacted by East KY Power regarding their proposal until I got a letter about an Open House in Ohio Co. on 5-18-05, that I was unable to attend because of the distance from where I live and because of recent surgery. My only other contact was a follow up to that meeting with a 5" x 6 1/4" map of the total project which

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gives no clue as to where the power line will cross anyone's property. The only way that I knew about the PSC hearing in Bowling Green was a contact by a land owner in another county. I don't live in the county where my farm is located or in any of the four counties involved in the proposal so I don't have access to radio or news coverage in Bowling Green. I would think East KY Power, Warren R E C C, or someone would notify all land-owners of meetings, developments, etc.

In summary, my concerns are 1. aesthetic and environmental, 2. devaluation of property values, and 3. health hazards.

Thank you for your consideration.

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