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Doug Scott, Chairman
Illinois Commerce Commission
527 East Capitol Avenue
Springfield, IL 62701

Dear Mr. Scott:

I am writing to voice opposition to the construction of the 345 kV transmission line from Meredosia to Pawnee, Illinois. The proposed line would cross our property in Scott County, Illinois. As a civil engineer who has worked on the remediation of hazardous waste and Brownfield projects, the choice of this route does not make sense.

I understand there is an alternate route with an existing transmission line that is a significantly less expensive alternative and would not cause additional environmental damage. I urge the Commission to place this new line on that existing route.

The proposed line would bisect three parcels of our land. One contains timber bordering on Mauvais Terre Creek. We understand a wide right-of-way would clear a significant portion of this mature and productive timber which is habitat for deer, turkey and quail. Family members have reported seeing bobcat and eagles in this timber. Other parcels are rolling pasture and cropland. Compaction and the construction of right-of-ways would damage these fields, decrease productivity, and cause inconvenience that would continue for decades to come.

My wife's family has been farming this land for three generations. Our children consider the land to be a precious heritage.

Please considering the additional environmental damage and excess cost the Meredosia to Pawnee route will cause and do not approve this alternative.

Very truly yours,



Scott W. Anderson

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