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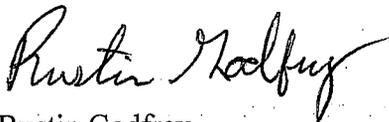
Dear Doug Scott, Chairman

My name is Rustin Godfrey and I am writing in reference to case #12-0598 specifically the Meredosia to Pawnee segment. My family and I live right on the alternate route that Ameren wants to run the new line on. Our home is about 75 feet from the road and Ameren wants to run their line right across the road. We want to build a new home here. If that line goes in this close to our home we don't want to live by it or invest money right by that line. Potential buyers in the future won't want to invest here for the same reasons we don't want to build right under one of those lines. I have lived here for over 18 years and started a family here and would like to be able to stay here. There is another choice for this line and it involves fewer disruptions for homeowners.

This whole process deeply concerns our family for many reasons but specifically that there is another available route that **the Commission staff even favors** that parallels the existing 138 kv line. I have tried to keep up with the proceedings of the case that the Morgan Sangamon Scott County Land Preservation Group has filed. It seems that the commission staff agrees with the MSSCLPG the route that parallels the 138 would be a much better choice. Darrel Thoma submitted testimony (part of which is attached) cataloging in detail the number of homes/structures on the two routes. The proposed order sent out on Jan 24<sup>th</sup> by the administrative law judges doesn't even mention this data. It was proven that paralleling the existing 138kv line would be shorter, cheaper to build and would affect far fewer home and landowners than the alternate route that Ameren wants to build. Ameren seems to be the only ones that want this other more expensive route.

I hope that you will read through the information concerning this case yourself and consider the evidence and testimony/opinions of the Commission's own staff before making your final decision. It seems clear that the Illinois Commerce Commission staff as well as the many landowners would rather the line go in next to the existing 138kv line.

Thank You!



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**Exhibit B** (these are listed in feet from the routes)

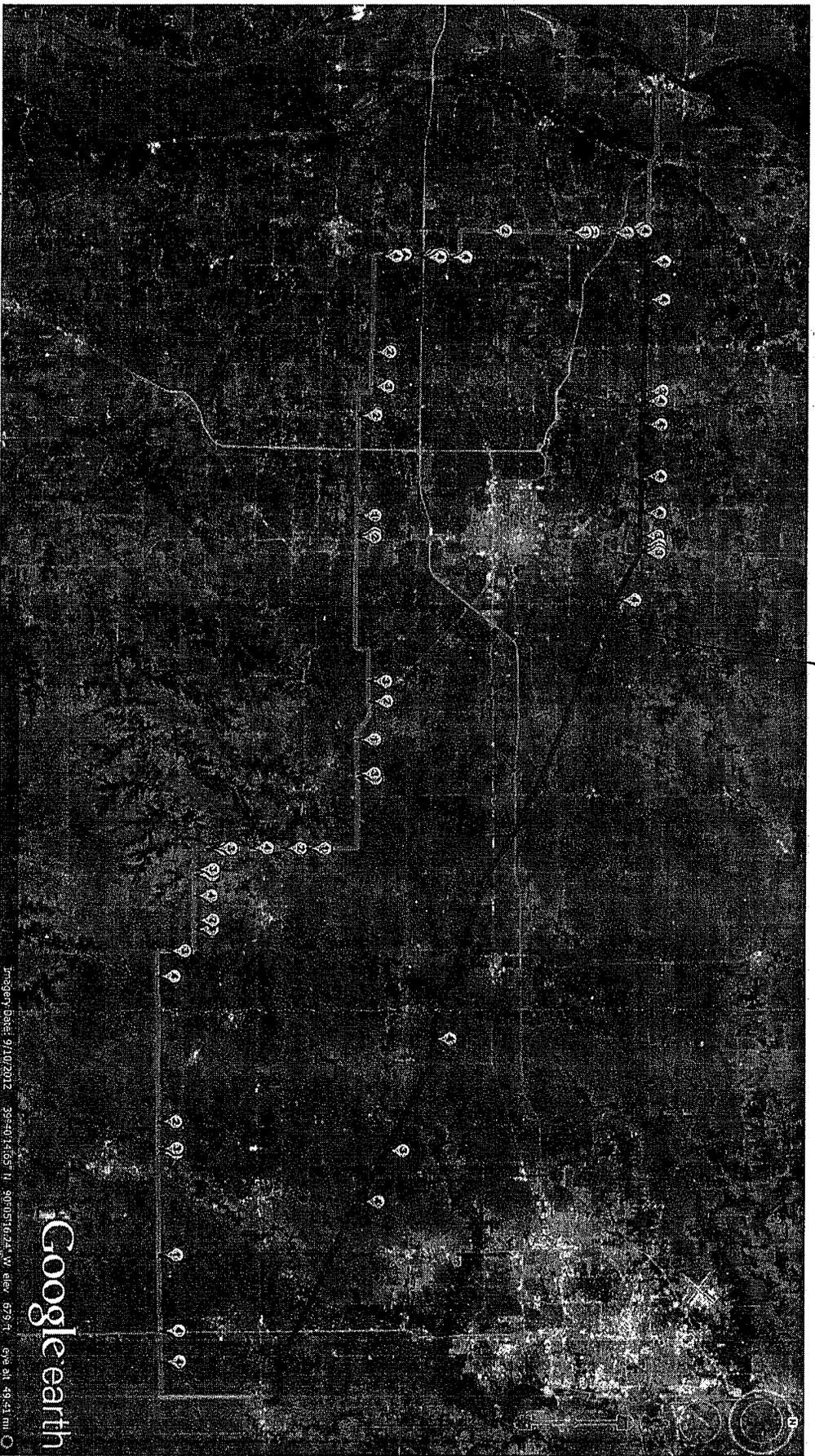
Route	0-75'	75-150'	150-300'	300-500'	Total
Alternate	22	22	25	57	126
Existing	1	3	10	16	30

Alternate - The route Ameren wants that has 4 times as many structures by it and numerous that are very close to the route.

Existing - Paralleling the 138 kv line, far fewer affected.

Exhibit A

Blue Line - Parallel lines 138kw line



(The little red balloons represent homes/structures)

Green Line - the way Amver wants to go