

MEMORIALIZATION OF EX PARTE  
COMMUNICATION FROM INTERESTED PARTY

ICC Docket Number, or Docket Number or Case Number from Other Jurisdiction

(Please be specific): 12-0598

Subject of the Communication (Note - This field is limited to 8 lines of text):

Ameren Transmission's (ATXI) proposed 345 KV facilities as part of the Illinois Rivers Project.

Name of the Commission Officer or Employee Making Report (first, then last name):

Cameron

Schilling

Job Title:

Policy Advisor

Names and Job Titles of Other Commission Employees Present:

Chairman Scott, Commissioner Colgan, Commissioner McCabe, Commissioner Del Valle, and Commissioner Maye.

Date of Communication: Feb 11, 2014

Location of Parties to Communication:

Letter received in Springfield office

Mode of Communication (Please Check All That Apply):

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Nature and Substance of All Oral Communications (Note - This field is limited to 15 lines of text):

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Responses Made to Written or Oral Communications (Note - This field is limited to 8 lines of text):

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- Submitted are copies of written responses (optional).  
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Name of, Title of, and Entity Represented by Person Communicating to You:

Mr. Matt Powell and Mr. Charles Powell

State What Action, If Any, the Person Requested or Recommended (Note - 11 lines of text):

Mr. Matt Powell requests for the Commission to consider the shorter route along the Meredosia to Pawnee segment. Mr. Charles Powell similarly requests that the Commission choose an alternative route along this line segment.

Include Any Other Information You Deem Pertinent (Note - Limited to 8 lines of text):

None.

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FROM THE DESK OF  
**MATT POWELL**

ILLINOIS  
COMMERCE COMMISSION  
FEB 11 2014  
Office of Chairman  
And Commissioners

February 08, 2014

Mr. Doug Scott, Chairman  
Illinois Commerce Commissioner  
527 East Capitol Avenue  
Springfield, IL 62701

Dear Chairman Scott,

I am forwarding a letter to you, which was written by my father, that relates to case number (12-0598) of the Meredosia to Pawnee segment.

As the letter states, I have an interest in a 48 acre tract that will be split into two by the 345kV transmission line if the long route is chosen.

Please consider that the cost of the transmission line will be 18.3 miles longer and \$36.78 million more costly if the long route is chosen instead of the route that parallels the existing 138kV transmission line. Since AMEREN is allowed to expect a reasonable amount of return, this increased cost will be passed on to the customers. Also, the 18.3 additional miles of line will disrupt more landowners and farmers.

I would ask that you consider the shorter route, which parallels the existing 138kV transmission line, that was recommended by the commissioners staff.

I appreciate your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,



Matt Powell

1165 Old Route 36

Winchester, IL 62694

January 29, 2014

Mr. Doug Scott, Chairman

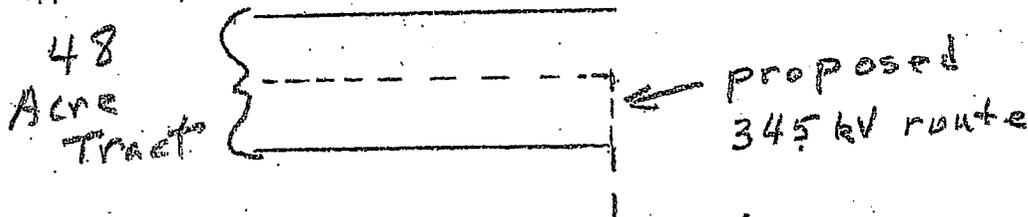
Illinois Commerce Commissioner

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Dear Chairman Scott,

I am writing to voice my opposition to the proposed route of the location of the 345 kV transmission line from Meredosia to Pawnee (case # 12-0598). Our family recently purchased a 48 acre tract of pristine farm land. The route which has been proposed will go approximately in the middle of the tract and split the small tract into. Furthermore, the tract will be located inside of a 90 degree angle turn which will make aerial spraying impossible on portions of this tract. This tract is located approximately ½ mile north of Old Route 36 and west of Riggston about 1 ¼ miles.



There are several other landowners and farmers who will face the same problem of being inside a 90 degree turn if the longer route is chosen.

Also impacted will be GPS systems which we currently rely on heavily in our farming operation. (NOTE—I checked with the local John Deere dealer and he told that through his experience, there are times when the GPS systems will not work when used in proximity of high voltage lines.)

The ownership of this tract includes Ruth Powell (wife), Matthew and David Powell (sons), and Mary Ann Sievers (sister-in-law).

I will also briefly state other factors that I would ask you to consider in locating the route parallel to the existing 138 kV line.

- 1 It is my understanding that there is a much shorter route if the route selected would parallel the existing 138 kV route. This route would cost \$36.78 million less and would be 18.3 miles shorter.
- 2 I have been advised that there have been no existing landowners along the 138kV line that have voiced any opposition to the parallel route.
- 3 The Commission staff has recommended the parallel route to the existing 138kV line.
- 4 Since GPS is heavily used in the agricultural community both by farmers and the agricultural service providers, it is very important not to interrupt the reception of the GPS signal. If the parallel route is used, there would be 18.3 miles less of GPS signal disruption.

I would respectfully request that the commissioners strongly consider the benefits of the Meredosia to Pawnee route which parallels the existing 138 kV line and approve the route as recommended by the Commission Staff.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Charles Powell