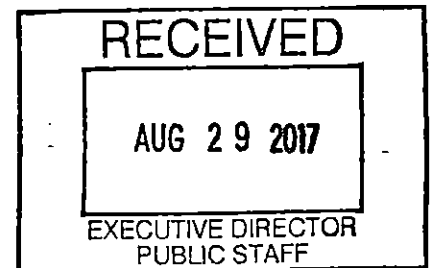


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In the matter of State of North Carolina Utilities Commission Docket NO. E-2, SUB 1150.

I am a property owner that the Duke Energy "preferred route" for construction of a new 230kv transmission line for the new Cleveland Matthews Road Substation crosses. I am in opposition to the construction of the transmission line across my property.

I am requesting that the North Carolina Utilities Commission have a public hearing so that I may voice my opposition to this transmission line being located on my property. In addition, I would ask that representatives from the Utilities Commission perform a site visit to my property.

This entire project, the substation and the transmission lines are going to be used to supply power for growth in another part of the county. I would ask that the Utilities Commission investigate the growth in this area of the county to determine if additional energy is really needed. The construction of businesses and housing developments in this area should be required to meet the strictest energy efficient materials in the market (refrigerators, insulation, lightbulbs, etc.). Also, I would like the Utilities Commission to see what measures have been taken to supply this new growth with renewable energy such as rooftop solar or solar farms or a biomass co-generation plant. The "preferred route" is 11.5 miles long. There are several other routes that were significantly shorter and would ask that these transmission lines stay in the general area where they are needed. **Duke Energy also has several existing right of ways that should be investigated for this transmission line that could be utilized that would have minimal impact since a right of way already exists and would make the transmission line significantly shorter.** These poles are significantly taller than distribution lines and could co-exist in the same easement.

In addition, there has not been much notice from Duke Energy about this situation. My first knowledge and notification of this matter was from a certified letter in April, 2017. I did not have a chance to attend public meetings in 2016. Then Duke Energy sent surveyors on my property to cut a proposed path for the approval of transmission lines without notifying me. I never had the first phone call, email, letter, or communication of any kind from a Duke Energy employee about this. This makes me feel as if I have no say or choice in a matter that involves my property. In my opinion, there has been a huge lack of due process. It almost makes me feel as if I have been violated to a certain degree.

On this "preferred route" line, I have pine trees growing with hopes of one day harvesting them. This route would go through and take away every pine I have growing there. That is something that I would not be able to benefit from later. It seems as if Duke Energy is splitting our properties in half with this "preferred route". I feel as if this is unfair and we have been treated unfairly in this complete matter.

In closing, this land is not just a piece of property to me. I live in the house that my Daddy grew up in and that my grandparents built from timber on this farm. My great-grandparents lived on this property and the property has been in my family so that 6 generations have lived on it thus far. It was probably in my family farther back than my great-grandparents but I only mention my knowledge of the property. I, also have a buildable lot with an existing well and septic tank that these lines would connect with. This transmission line would prohibit future generations of my family from building or living on this property.

Your consideration of the above items is greatly appreciated.

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