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

I am a concerned property owner that the Duke Energy "preferred route", for the construction of the new 230kv transmission line for the new Cleveland Matthews Road Substation crosses. I strongly oppose the construction of the transmission line running across our property.

This property is my inheritance from my Daddy that I value very much. It was also his inheritance from his Mother. This is a part of him that I have left in his memory and my ancestors. To me it's not just a piece of land. This is where I grew up and we played and worked. I have wonderful memories here. My Grandparents worked hard for this land and they valued it a lot. They had to sell some of their land when I-95 came through years ago. I am writing because we are against this power line coming through our land and losing more of our land. The start with we were not notified until April 20, 2017 about any of it and then it was a certified letter. All the meetings had already taken place the prior year and we could not voice our opinions. We were left out of it all until the surveying crew came and cut down trees on our property without warning. That's when I voiced my opinion. I was upset that they just come onto our property without informing us and started making a path through it. If it wasn't for caring friends and neighbors we would still be in the dark. We have a lot of concerns. First, we can't get an answer for how they come up with this route and why it would be the best. We have more land that we farm than the other route because it is residential houses on the other route. We choose to live in the country where it is quiet. The only noise I hear is crickets and frogs at night. We raise animals and raise our own food on our land. Our land is profitable and if these lines come through that's going to make it less profitable and our land value will decrease. We wouldn't be able to sell if we wanted to which we don't.

It has me worried about the amount of voltage that is going to be coming off them. That's 230KV which is equal to 230,000 volts and that's a lot. I also have researched the health dangers that come from such a high voltage. There is Electromagnetic radiation that comes from these power lines. Electromagnetic radiation from high voltage power lines is something that can affect the health of people. Variety of studies suggests living close to high-voltage power lines can increase the incidence of several kinds of cancer, as well as other diseases. It is dangerous for our children and for us. We don't need any more sickness in our family. When we bought our land where our house is we thought we would grow old and have a peaceful life. Someday this will be left to our daughter to live a good life in the country. There's a reason we live in the country and we don't live in the city. Now Duke Energy wants us to sit around and hear humming noises from power lines all the time along with health issues. Another concern we have is the communication that has come from Duke Energy. It has not been what you think would come from a professional company. There has been a lack of communication ever since we found out about this. Another thing is we do not have Duke Energy for our power company. We get our power from South River EMC. I feel there could be another route that would benefit them better than taking our farm land. We have not heard anything positive about this project, only negativities. If you would please consider our concerns and feeling on these power lines. If there is another public hearing I would like to attend to voice my concerns. Thank you for your time and your consideration of this power lines.

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