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Public Utility Commission of Texas
William B. Travis Building
1701 N. Congress Avenue, Suite 7-110
Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Protest of Parcels 4260 and 4261 on Alternative Route Links V6 and V8 of the Oncor and LCRA TSC Bell County East to Big Hill 765 kV Transmission Project, McCulloch County, Texas, Control No. 59475

Dear Chairman Gleeson and Commissioners:

Please accept this letter as a formal protest regarding Alternative Route Links V6 and V8 associated with the Oncor and LCRA TSC Bell County East to Big Hill 765 kV Transmission Project, Control No. 59475. I submit these comments in my capacity as President of the Flying SDM Ranch and on behalf of our ownership interests affected by the proposed routing.

After reviewing the potential route alignments for the above-referenced transmission project, I respectfully submit that Oncor and LCRA TSC should be directed to utilize the straightest and most direct route reasonably available from Bell County East to Big Hill. Selection of the most direct east-to-west route would better serve the public interest by promoting construction efficiency, minimizing unnecessary land impacts, and reducing avoidable costs to consumers.

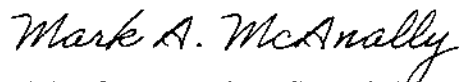
Alternative Route Links V6 and V8 deviate into the far northern segments of the proposed route network and, as a result, create a more circuitous route for the project. In our view, this deviation would unnecessarily increase construction burdens and associated consumer costs. In addition, Route V8, which lies adjacent to Route V5, affects Parcel 4263, a small triangular tract located between U.S. Highway 190 and County Road 417 in proximity to several residential structures. The placement of a 765 kV transmission facility in this area raises additional concerns regarding compatibility with existing land uses.

Of particular concern, Parcels 4260 and 4261 are part of our landholding, and Route V8 would bisect this property through the middle at an approximate 45-degree angle for 2,606 feet. The proposed route would materially impair the use and enjoyment of the property, interfere with access and operational control, and substantially diminish its market value. The burden imposed by the transmission line and its associated easement would be significant and permanent in nature.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that the Commission deny approval of any CCN application or related routing determination affecting Alternative Route Links V6 and V8.

Thank you for your consideration of this protest.

Respectfully submitted,



Flying SDM Ranch LLC, Mark A. McAnally President