

**BEFORE THE**  
**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

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Application of Transource Pennsylvania, LLC

Filed Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Chapter 57, Supchapter G

For Approval of the Siting and Construction of the 230 kV Transmission Line

Associated with the Independence Energy Connection-West Project in Portions of Franklin County

Docket No. A-2017-2640200

**PROTEST**

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Sections 5.51, *et seq.* and 66 Pa. C. S. Sections 1101, *et seq.*, Eric Scott Burkholder files this Protest to the Independence Energy Connection-West. In support of this Protest, Eric Scott Burkholder avers as follows:

1. The name and contact information of the Protestant is as follows:

Eric Scott Burkholder  
315 Leedy Way West  
Chambersburg, PA 17202

2. As a Pennsylvania and Franklin County resident, I am appalled that the IEC is even a consideration among our state leaders. After reviewing literature on this matter and knowing that my property and family are directly affected by the power-lines running behind our property, I oppose all aspects of this project. I have not determined one positive attribute from this project for the betterment of Franklin

County residents or my family. In fact, the health concerns and property value decline is paramount to my concerns. As a disabled veteran with 25-years of active and reserve service, I understand sacrifices for the greater good but there is not a greater good involved in this project, only greed on the backs of the powerless.

3. I am filing this protest because the IEC's projected power-line path runs behind my property (D3 Zone) affecting my property value and the community at large property values, potentially raising our energy costs and undoubtedly affecting our long-term health. My family recently purchased this lot on Leedy Way West and proceeded to build our dream home about 1-1/2 years ago. We invested our life savings into this property and home; little did we know that the IEC project and the monstrous towers would tarnish the landscape of our mountain view. The goal of providing cheaper energy to our DC neighbors does not lower my excessive property and county taxes I pay as a Pennsylvania or Franklin county resident, yet, a power-line servicing another state will run right past my property! How is this constitutional? We face the burden and sacrifice while DC/Baltimore residents lower their energy costs? Makes no sense and seems illegal.

4. I fear for my family's well-being and long-term health. Additionally, I cringe at the thought of having to look out my back porch that once was a beautiful landscape and sunset destroyed by an alien tower of wires draped across the sky for reasons of cheaper energy costs to Washington DC and Baltimore residents ONLY. I have one simple question: If this Transource IEC project were proposed to traverse through your front or back yard, would you be joining me in filing a formal protest? Switch places for a moment while deciding the fate of so many Pennsylvania residents that benefit ZERO by this project.

WHEREFORE, Eric Scott Burkholder respectfully requests the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission NOT approve the Transource IEC filing application and NOT permit any right-of-way for these lines through Franklin County, Pennsylvania. In the year 2018, massive overhead power-lines can be run underground or along a path that dramatically reduces the impact to PA residents!

Respectfully submitted,



Eric S. Burkholder

Dated: 8FEB2018

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Re: Application of Transource Pennsylvania, LLC Filed Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Chapter 57 Subchapter G, for Approval of the Siting and Construction of the 230kV Transmission Line Associated with the Independence Energy Connection-West Project in Portions of Franklin County, Pennsylvania Docket No. A-2017-2640200

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene upon parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant), in the manner and upon the persons listed below:

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Eric S. Burkholder

VERIFICATION

I, Eric Scott Burkholder, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct (or are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief) and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

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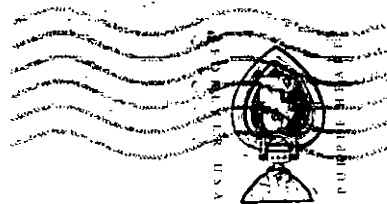


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