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BEFORE THE

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

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.*, Fred and Doreen Rice file this Protest to the Independence Energy Connection-West. In support of this Protest, Mr. and Mrs. Rice avers as follows:

The name and contact information of the Protestant is as follows: Fred E. and Doreen K. Rice of Ricecrest Farms, 3410 Church Road, Chambersburg, PA 17202

Privately owned properties, including farms and residences will be de-valued; people will be forced to sell their ROW against their wishes. Most cannot afford the Eminent Domain lawyers who could assure that they get just compensation.

High voltage power lines have not been proven safe to reside or play near; in many instances the line is located within 300 feet of homes and in one location it runs through a woods where our local high school's cross-country teams practice and hold competitive meets.

Excavation will damage productive farm land with high-quality soil. After the monopoles and lines are in place, farming in those fields will be inconvenient at best and dangerous at worst, posing a threat to safety of those operating large machinery around them.

Agriculture and tourism are very important to Franklin County; destruction of the view-shed and the "undeveloped" rural character of our valley will hurt the agri-tourism business here.

The proposed route crosses my son's privately owned farm where he resides with his family (seven of our precious family members) and actively raises livestock. We are concerned for their health and safety and also the de-valuation of their property. The route also crosses the farmland where we actively raise crops for our dairy cattle. We depend on the use of large farm machinery in these fields. As a former school nurse in our local district, I am concerned for the health and safety of our teens who run on cross-country teams in the area where the proposed high-voltage route lies.

As rate payers, we are concerned that the construction costs will be passed on to us, increasing our electric bill, while providing NO benefit to us or other residents of Franklin County.

We respectfully request that, before a decision is reached, the PUC arrange for site visits by a panel of judges and hold some public meetings in Franklin County to receive first-hand input from people who will be affected by the decision.

WHEREFORE, Fred and Doreen Rice respectfully request the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission not to approve the filing noted at the beginning of this letter of protest.

Respectfully submitted,

*Fred E. Rice*  
*Doreen K. Rice*

Dated: February 12, 2018

**VERIFICATION**

We, Fred and Doreen Rice, 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).

Date: February 12, 2018

Fred E Rice / Doreen K. Rice

(Signature)

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**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:

Dated February 12, 2018

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