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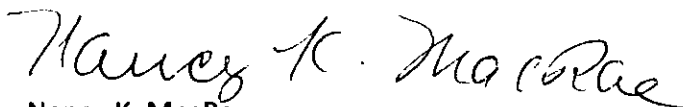
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TO: Secretary's Bureau
Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

SUBJECT: Application of Pennsylvania Electric Company, No. A-2016-2565296

I respectfully request consideration of the enclosed protest related to the above-named application for a permit for the proposed Bedford North-Central City West. 115KV New Transmission Line. I am one of the landowners across whose land the line would run.

Sincerely,



Nancy K. MacRae
503 Anderson Road
Schellsburg, PA 15559

Enclosure

cc: John L. Munsch, Esquire
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PROTEST OF PERMIT APPLICATION A-2016-2565296

**NANCY K. MACRAE
503 ANDERSON ROAD
SCHELLSBURG, PA 15559**

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My name is Nancy K. MacRae, and I am the owner of the property at 503 Anderson Road. A portion of my land will be crossed by the proposed Bedford North - Central City West 115 kV New Transmission Line, the permit for which has been submitted to you by First Energy Corporation. I wish to address certain aspects of the transmission line that will negatively affect the market value of my property.

I have not entered into negotiations with First Energy. There have been a number of informal discussions with its representatives, but we have not had a serious discussion about recompense and settlement. For nearly two years First Energy representatives have discussed with me and with my neighbors the route and the details of the proposed power line itself, suggesting a wide variety of possible routes, height and type of structures that will support the wires, and time tables. Descriptions of the structures that will be built directly across from my home varied from one 90 foot steel pylon to two 45-foot wooden poles to prevent sagging. Environmental analysts walking our properties had shown us maps that contradicted maps supplied to me and other neighbors. The filing addresses very few of these issues.

The filing lacks many important details. As far as I am concerned, the maps in the filing show nothing more than lines on a piece of paper. There is no indication on the map relevant to my property that shows where the structures will be and what they will look like.

For the above reasons, I am not prepared at this time to enter into negotiations with First Energy. Data are missing that are crucial to my understanding of the impact of this power line on the market value of my home. I have hired a commercial real estate appraiser who will calculate the before and after market value of my home and land so that I will be able to present an accurate assessment to First Energy representatives when we enter into negotiations.

However, if the permit is no more detailed than the filing, such data will have large gaps. I am aware that my unwillingness to come to agreement will likely lead to a court filing of eminent domain. In that situation, I would argue before the court that

First Energy has failed to in its responsibility to provide an accurate description of this transmission line.

I am filing this protest to urge the Public Utility Commission to require First Energy to amend the filing to be specific about what this truly intrusive transmission line will look like. Anderson Road and the area surrounding it is a quiet, restful, bucolic mountain and farm setting . The view from my front porch shows only one other house, and that one several miles away. These qualities made it the retirement choice of me and my late husband; and we made substantial improvements to the property. A transmission line directly across the road cannot but negatively affect the market value of the home and thus any future sales prospects. I am aware that there is little chance that the line will not be built. I respectfully request the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission to ensure that the permit it issues must contain the details I am requesting.

Thank you for this opportunity.

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