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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU 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 230 kV Transmission Line Associated with the Independence Energy Connection-East Project in Portions of York County, Pennsylvania

Docket No. A-2017-2640195

PROTEST

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Sections 5.51, *et seq.* and 66 Pa. C. S. Sections 1101, *et. seq.*, George W. Treadway files this Protest to the Transource Filing Docket No. A-2017-2640195. In support of this Protest, George W. Treadway avers as follows:

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

George W. Treadway 2503 Crestview Dr. Fallston, MD 21047

- 2. My interest in this case stems from the fact that I own land that has been identified by Transource as requiring an easement for the construction of the IEC-East. I am also a ratepayer in the state of Maryland.
- 3. Please consider the following grounds:
 - a. The proposed line is almost certainly not a public necessity as:
 - i. parallel lines exist both to the east and west, going to Norrisville and Graceton respectively. These poles are newly constructed with lines on only half of the poles.

ii. The current benefit:cost ratio is 1.3, and does not include the costs of lost farm production, lost tax revenue due to assessment changes, and business losses associated with the line. Those costs should be included in the analysis.

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- b. By state statute, landowners with preserved farms will not be compensated for the full loss of their land, as the ag easement trust will be compensated for the development portion of the new easement. It is like the government is seizing the land, and paying the local trust instead of the farmer.
- c. This project will have a detrimental impact on the value of my land, and will have extrinsic impacts that cannot be compensated.
- d. I am concerned that land agents acting on behalf of Transource have used threats and intimidation to attempt to gain entry. These acts should disqualify Transource from their application to act as a utility in Pennsylvania.
- 4. I am greatly concerned that the project will cause immediate and irreparable to damage to the value of my land, the viewsheds, wildlife, and set precedent for the loss of property owner rights.

WHEREFORE for your for the filing, and strongly impose a condition that all other existing rights of way and infrastructure should be utilized before any new power line projects are approved, and the **Commission should deny the Transource filing.**

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: Storge W Traduce

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VERIFICATION

1, George W Treadway

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: <u>FEB / 2 / 2018</u>

Signature: <u>Beorge in Treadwary</u>

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