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Matthew L. Homsher, Esq., Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
400 North Street, 2nd Floor  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: Transource Pennsylvania, LLC's Certificate of Public Convenience Application for  
Franklin County

Docket No. A-2026-3062675

FORMAL PROTEST / CONSOLIDATION OPPOSED

Dear Secretary Homsher:

I am writing to file a Formal Protest against the application of Transource Pennsylvania, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) to operate transmission facilities and supply transmission service in Franklin County. I explicitly object to Transource's corporate Motion for Consolidation.

Consistent with the Commission's recent binding precedent in the MARL Interlocutory Order (Docket No. A-2026-3060856; June 1, 2026), a decision regarding the core CPC must be fully vetted and finally decided before the Commission can consider the merits of any separate transmission line siting or zoning applications. Forcing local citizens to litigate a route before a utility has even obtained permission to operate in the proposed territory violates our due process rights.

As a resident and stakeholder in Franklin County, I request that the Commission deny Transource's CPC application based on the following grounds regarding corporate fitness and public necessity:

1. Skyrocketing and Bloated Project Costs: Transource's 2026 application reveals that the estimated cost for just this western segment has ballooned to a staggering \$231.3 million. Shockingly, the core construction and planning element is only estimated at \$112.7 million, meaning that an astonishing \$170.4 million of the price tag consists of accumulated taxes, cost escalations, and financial inflation pushed out to a 2029 target date. Pennsylvania consumers should not be forced to subsidize a \$231.3 million capital project whose costs are heavily inflated by a decade of failed corporate litigation.

2. Interference with Precision Field Equipment: Modern farming utilizes large, expensive precision planting and harvesting equipment guided by delicate GPS technology. Forcing operators to turn and maneuver this machinery around massive towers is time-consuming, patterns inefficient fieldwork, and imposes permanent annual production costs.

3. Environmental Public Trust (Article I, Section 27): The environmental impacts of Transource's proposed line warrant thorough review and implicate the Commission's fiduciary duties under the Environmental Rights Amendment of the Pennsylvania Constitution.

4. Acoustic Corona Disruption: Erecting massive commercial steel structures into our clear skyline and imposing the continuous corona sizzles, crackles, or hissing noises emitted by high-voltage lines during humid or foggy conditions is destructive to home-based businesses, resident well-being, and local property values.

I request that the Commission honor our due process rights, freeze this proceeding until the CPC track is resolved, and eventually conduct physical site views and local public input hearings in Franklin County.

Respectfully submitted,

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