

Entergy Texas, Inc. 1050 IH-10 North Beaumont, TX 77702

August 9, 2022

DSPI Special Education New Waverly 1600 Normal Park Huntsville, TX 77340

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Property ID: 10832

Re: Texas 138 kV Substation and Transmission Line Project

Dear Landowner,

All of us at Entergy Texas, Inc. (Entergy Texas) are committed to ensuring a safe, reliable, affordable, and sustainable supply of power for our customers. Part of that commitment requires working today to plan for our region's infrastructure needs to ensure we are able to meet future growth. Ensuring reliable and affordable electricity is central to the future success of the communities we serve, and we are committed to working with our customers to power the future.

Proposed Project

Entergy Texas proposes the addition of new electric transmission infrastructure in Walker County and plans to construct a primarily single-pole double-circuit 138 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line (proposed transmission line). This proposed transmission line would connect a new substation (the Texas Distribution Substation) to the existing Entergy Texas Lewis Creek to Goree 138 kV Transmission Line (L-487). The new transmission line will follow a path through Walker County until it reaches the new Texas Substation. The Texas Substation is planned to be located along Interstate Highway (IH) 45 between Huntsville and New Waverly in Walker County. The new transmission line would be approximately 3-5 miles in length, depending on the final route ultimately approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT).

The transmission line will be erected utilizing either concrete or steel predominately single-pole structures within a right-of-way that would be up to 100 feet wide. This right-of-way consists of approximately 50 feet on either side of the centerline of the proposed transmission line, some of which could overlap with other compatible rights-of-way, depending on the final location. Adding this infrastructure will help ensure a modern and reliable transmission system to power our community for years to come – as well as help ensure the future economic success of the region. As a landowner, you may be affected by this project. How or whether this line affects you will depend on the final transmission line route selected and approved by the PUCT.

It is important for us to make sure that you are fully informed of our plans and have an opportunity to share your thoughts with us. For this reason, we have established a project website

(https://www.entergy-texas.com/transmission/Texas), that you can access and from which you may download materials explaining the project and its relationship to your property. Furthermore, Entergy Texas will be holding an Open House where we will present information about the proposed transmission line. This Open House will be held in the Committeemen's Room at the Walker County Fair Association located at 3925 SH-30 W, Huntsville, TX 77340 from 4:00pm through 7:00pm on August 23, 2022. Additional information about the Open House is provided below. By accessing this website and/or attending the Open House, you may learn more about the project specifics and ask questions about the planning of this project. More details about these items are explained below. In addition, you can call and/or email the project team using the contact information provided below.

What's Next?

Let me take this opportunity to explain a little more about this project and the steps ahead. There is a carefully structured process put in place and overseen by the PUCT. The process requires Entergy Texas to request that the PUCT approve the project and select the route of the proposed transmission line by submitting an application to amend our Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN), which obligates Entergy Texas to provide reliable electric service. This application will include a diverse set of alternative routes from which the PUCT selects the route to be constructed. We are in the early stages of this process where POWER Engineers, a consulting firm hired for this project, has identified several preliminary alternative transmission line route segments between alternative connection points to the existing transmission line ("Cut-In" options) and the "Alternative Substation Site" options.

These are shown on the enclosed map. Maps with greater detail and additional project information will be available on the project's website (https://www.entergy-texas.com/transmission/Texas) through a link titled "Online Open House." It should be noted that these route segments are only preliminary and are subject to change based on further study and information gathered during the Open House. Information on the website as well as information accessed through various links on the website provides the opportunity to review project details and provide feedback. The feedback options are provided via a questionnaire, email, or phone voicemail system. The email address and phone number are also listed at the bottom of this letter. Entergy Texas desires your comments and looks forward to communicating with you.

Landowners invited to attend the Open House include people listed on the current county tax rolls as owners of land within 300 feet of the center line of any proposed preliminary route segment that may be used to construct the transmission line. Your input, and that of others who may be affected by this project is important, especially in evaluating locations for new transmission facilities and assessing the project's impacts. The Online Open House link will be active from August 16 through September 6, 2022. All comments should be made during this three-week period. Comments initiated after September 6th cannot be guaranteed to be incorporated in the project decisions included in the CCN application.

Public Meeting

The Open House will have an informal "come-and-go" format consisting of staffed information stations addressing the various aspects of the project. You will be able to review each station at

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your own pace, ask questions, and find out approximately where the proposed line segments are located in relation to your property. We will also make a questionnaire available to you so that we can obtained your input before you leave or if you prefer to take with you, consider and return to us no later than September 6, 2022.

Project Questionnaire

We would like to hear from you to better understand your interests and concerns about this project. The information that you provide will be carefully considered in the transmission line route selection process. The best way for you to communicate this information is by completing the Project Questionnaire that has been included in this mailing, will be available at the Open Meeting, or available online through the project website and the "Online Open House" link. If you complete the questionnaire online, it is automatically sent to the project team with your comments and feedback. You also have the option to complete the Project Questionnaire provided in this mailing and return it to the project team through the United States Postal Service using the address below. In the months following the Open House review period, Entergy Texas and POWER Engineers will develop a diverse set of alternative routes to be included in the application to be filed with the PUCT early next year. At that time, Entergy Texas will provide notice of the application as prescribed by the PUCT rules. **All routes and route segments included in this notice are available for selection and approval by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.** If approved, only one route (consisting of multiple route segments) from a "Cut-In" option to an "Alternative Substation Site" option will be selected by the PUCT.

Any changes to the above dates or the stated processes above due to conditions that are unforeseen will be communicated on the project website. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this time and we look forward to our future discussion on this project.

If you have any questions about the proposed transmission project or upcoming Open House, please contact Brad Coleman and the project team in one of the following manners:

By Mail:

Entergy Texas Attn: Brad Coleman 1050 IH-10 North Beaumont, TX 77702

By Project Questionnaire:

Included in this mailing or by completing the same Questionnaire online through the project website and the "Online Open House" link.

By Phone:

281-689-4601

By Email:

Texas@entergy.com

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Please contact us if you have any comments or concerns. We look forward to seeing or hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Stuart Barrett Vice President of Customer Service

Enclosures: Project Map and Questionnaire

<u>Texas 138 kV Substation and Transmission Line Project Questionnaire</u> Please Return to Entergy Texas, Inc. by September 6, 2022

Your responses to this questionnaire will help Entergy Texas understand your interests and concerns about the proposed Texas 138 kilovolt (kV) Substation and Transmission Line Project. The information that you provide will be carefully considered in the transmission line route selection process. Please complete this questionnaire and then return it to Entergy Texas by mail or scan and send by email to the contact information below by September 6, 2022. You may also complete the questionnaire on-line via a Survey Monkey link on the project website at https://www.entergy-texas.com/transmission/Texas.

<u>Mail:</u>

Entergy Texas, Inc. Attn: Brad Coleman 1050 IH-10 North Beaumont, TX 77702

Phone: 281-689-4601

Email:

Texas@entergy.com

1. How did you review the project information (check all that apply)?

Project Website/Online Open House
Open House on August 23, 2022

Discussion with Project Team member \Box

2. In relation to the project information, rate each of the following:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree	N/A
l was given an opportunity to send or call in questions and receive answers.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Entergy Texas staff were knowledgeable about the event topic.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Entergy Texas staff responded to my issues and concerns.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Please explain your responses:						



3. Were the exhibits and information presented during the Open House, through the Online Open House link, or on the project website helpful? N/A if you did not attend the Open House, go to the Online Open House link or the project website.

Yes
No
N/A

How could we have improved the information provided?

4. Which of the following apply to your situation? Check all that apply.

- □ I have property located in the project area.
- □ A potential line route segment is on my land or near my home or business. Applicable route segment(s):
- □ An existing transmission line is on my land or near my home. Applicable route segment(s):
- □ A potential substation site is on my land or near my home/business. Applicable substation site(s):
- □ Other. Please specify (e.g. I lease land and/or I am responsible for land improvements or upkeep near a potential line route segment or substation site).

5. Entergy Texas and its consultant for this project, POWER Engineers, take many environmental and land use features into consideration when identifying possible routes for electric transmission facilities, including, but not limited to the following:

- Nearby residences, businesses, cemeteries, schools, churches, hospitals, nursing homes and other structures
- Nearby commercial radio transmitters, microwave relay stations or similar electronic installations
- Nearby parks and/or recreational areas
- Nearby historical or archaeological sites
- Nearby airport runways, airstrips, or heliports
- Agricultural areas irrigated by traveling irrigation systems
- · Environmentally sensitive areas
- Threatened or endangered species
- Floodplains
- · Existing Rights of Way

POWER Engineers has shown these features on the <u>Environmental and Land Use</u> <u>Constraints Map</u> on the Website. Are those features accurately located? N/A if you did not attend the Open House, go to the Online Open House link or the project website.

Yes \Box No \Box Don't Know \Box N/A \Box

If no, please list the corrections below, mark them on the map, print and send with this form.

6. Are you aware of any other features that are not shown on the <u>Environmental and Land Use Constraints</u> <u>Map</u>? N/A if you did not attend the Open House, go to the Online Open House link or the project website.

Yes \Box No \Box N/A \Box

If yes, please list them below, mark them on the map, print and provide with this form.

7. Which route segment(s) do <u>you prefer</u> and why? Responding to this question does not constitute a "vote" for or against any proposed route segment(s).

8. Which route segment(s) do you not favor and why? Responding to this question does not constitute a "vote" for or against any proposed route segments(s).

9. Identifying a route and constructing transmission lines involves many considerations.

Please rank these factors in the order of importance to you. Indicate the most important factor with a 1, second most important with a 2, third most important with a 3, and so on.

- ____ Maintain reliable electric service
- ____ Use or parallel existing electric transmission line right of way where possible
- Parallel other existing compatible right of way (e.g. roads, highways) where possible
- ____ Parallel property lines where possible
- ____ Maximize distance from residences
- ____ Maximize distance from schools, churches, nursing homes, etc.
- ___ Maximize distance from commercial buildings
- ____ Maximize distance from historic sites or areas
- ____ Maximize distance from parks and recreational areas
- ___ Minimize visibility of the lines
- ___ Minimize environmental impacts
- ___ Other_____



10. Are there any other concerns you have with the alternative route segments or is there any other information you would like the project team to know or take into consideration when evaluating the alternative route segments for the new line?

Yes 🗆 🛛 No 🗆

11.

If yes, please describe the location below, mark it on the map to show the location, print and send with this form.

Please provide your name and address below.		
Name:	Date:	
Address:		
City, State, ZIP:		
Telephone:		
Email:		

Please note that the preferences expressed above will be considered. However, Entergy Texas cannot guarantee its ability to accommodate these preferences. These Preliminary Alternative Route Segments are subject to modification through the CCN process and proceeding. After Entergy Texas files its application, all routes and route segments will be available for selection and approval by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT). If approved, only one route will be selected by the PUCT.

If you would like an Entergy Texas representative to contact you to discuss this project further, please indicate and advise as to the nature of question(s) you have. This will help us better determine who best to contact you to respond to your questions. Please specify email or phone preference.

Thank you for your comments.



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