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September 24, 2020

Honorable Kyle Kutscher
101 East Court Street
Seguin, TX 78155

Application of Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. to Amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for a 138-kV Transmission Line in Guadalupe County (Cibolo-McQueeney Tap-to-Santa Clara 138-KV Transmission Line)

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS DOCKET NO. 51261

Dear Sir/Madam:

Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. (GVEC), of Gonzales, Texas, plans to construct a 138 kilovolt (kV) transmission line in Guadalupe County, Texas. On September 24, 2020, GVEC filed an application for an Amendment to Its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission or PUC) requesting approval of this project. The total estimated cost of this transmission project is between **$8,279,175** and **$13,752,825**, dependent upon which route the Commission selects. Additional costs associated with the proposed project include the construction of the proposed "Santa Clara" Substation at a cost of $8,920,000. Accordingly, the total estimated cost of the proposed project is between **$17,199,175** and **$22,672,825**. The project, if approved by the Commission, may be constructed on any of the 24 routes submitted in the application and described below. These routes range in length from 3.58 to 5.90 miles. The following notice complies with Commission requirements.

Your land may be directly affected in this docket. If one of the applicant's routes is approved by the Commission, the applicant will have the right to build a facility which may directly affect your land. This docket will not determine the value of your land or the value of an easement if one is needed by the applicant to build the facility. If you have questions about the transmission line or wish to review a detailed routing map, please contact Sandra Young with GVEC at (830) 401-8326. A detailed routing map may be reviewed at GVEC's Seguin office located at 6400 IH-10 West, Seguin, Texas 78155 or GVEC's Gonzales office located at 825 E. Sarah DeWitt Dr., Gonzales, TX 78629. Due to COVID-19, office hours may be limited. Please call in advance to ensure availability.

All routes and route segments included in this notice are available for selection and approval by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

The enclosed brochure entitled "Landowners and Transmission Line Cases at the PUC" provides basic information about how you may participate in this docket, and how you may contact the PUC. Please read this brochure carefully. The brochure includes sample forms for making comments and for making a request to intervene as a party in this docket. ***The only way to fully participate in the PUC's decision on where to locate the transmission line is to intervene in the docket. It is important for an affected person to intervene because the utility is not obligated to keep affected persons informed of the PUC's proceedings and cannot predict which route may or may not be approved by the PUC.***

In addition to the contacts listed in the brochure, you may call the PUC's Customer Assistance Hotline at (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the

PUC's Customer Assistance Hotline at (512) 936-7136 or toll free at (800) 735-2989. If you wish to participate in this proceeding by becoming an intervenor, the deadline for intervention in the proceeding is **November 8, 2020**, and the PUC should receive a letter from you requesting intervention by that date. Mail the request for intervention and 10 copies of the request to:

Public Utility Commission of Texas
Central Records
Attn: Filing Clerk
1701 N. Congress Ave.
P.O. Box 13326
Austin, Texas. 78711-3326

Persons who wish to intervene in the docket must also mail a copy of their request for intervention to all parties in the docket and all persons that have pending motions to intervene, at or before the time the request for intervention is mailed to the PUC. In addition to the intervention deadline, other important deadlines may already exist that affect your participation in this docket. You should review the orders and other filings already made in the docket. The enclosed brochure explains how you can access these filings.

NEED FOR THE PROJECT

The purpose of the project is to improve the reliability of GVEC's electric transmission system to meet the region's growing demand for electric power. The growing demand is a result of increasing populations in the municipalities along the IH-10 corridor, east of San Antonio and the construction of a new manufacturing facility, known as the AW Texas Plant.

GVEC is anticipating growth in the project area as a result of the in-progress installation of water and wastewater infrastructure. It has been GVEC's experience to see rapid load growth in areas where there is new water and wastewater infrastructure. The AW Texas Plant required installation of water and wastewater systems to the plant, which in turn this will stimulate growth of commercial and residential loads in the area. The State of Texas, the City of Cibolo, the San Antonio Economic Development Foundation, and GVEC were part of a collaborative effort on an economic development project with Aisin AW Co., Ltd., a leading manufacturer of automotive transmissions around the world. The construction and operation of the AW Texas Plant is driving the commercial development of this area and will bring thousands of jobs to the area. The job opportunities will also in turn drive residential growth in the area.

GVEC's load in this area is currently served from GVEC feeders from the Cibolo and McQueeney substations. The Cibolo and McQueeney substations currently have an estimated 10 MW surplus capacity to serve upcoming residential, commercial, and AW Texas Plant loads in the interim (i.e. load needed during its construction). The total projected AW Texas Plant power requirement is about 35 MW. Based on the present and projected growth and developments for the AW Texas Plant, loads are projected to be approximately 15 MVA by the end of 2022 and additional 20 MVA by 2025. It is necessary to build the new Santa Clara substation to supply the 35 MW power requirement for the new AW Texas plant and to ensure reliable service for the remaining service area. Once the Santa Clara substation is tied to the AW Texas Plant load, any residual capacity from the Cibolo and McQueeney substations can be used to serve the area's residential and commercial growth.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Provided below is the description of the approximate location of the alternative routes for this project.

Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. (GVEC) has filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) to construct the proposed double-circuit 138 kilovolt (kV) transmission line in Guadalupe County, Texas known as the Cibolo-McQueeney Tap to Santa Clara 138 kV Transmission Line Project. In its CCN application for this project, GVEC has presented 18 different combinations for the 46 segments to develop possible routes for consideration by the PUC for this project. The following table lists the segment combinations that make up GVEC's 18 alternative routes. Alternative routes are not listed in any order of preference or priority. **All routes and route segments are available for selection and approval by the PUC. Only one multi-segment transmission line route will ultimately be constructed.**

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE	ROUTE COMPOSITION	LENGTH (MILES)
Route 1	A-E-O-Z-AD-AE-AG	4.88
Route 2	A-E-O-R-AA-AD-AE-AG	4.77
Route 3	A-E-J-K-P-AA-AD-AE-AG	4.66
Route 4	A-E-J-K-L-M-Q-AB-AE-AG	4.57
Route 5	A-F-K-P-AA-AD-AE-AG	4.66
Route 6	A-F-K-L-M-Q-AB-AE-AG	4.56
Route 7	A-F-K-L-M-Q-S-T1-AP-AQ-AL2-AM	5.14
Route 8	B-M-Q-AB-AE-AG	3.58
Route 9	B-M-Q-AB-AE-AF1-AQ-AL2-AM-	4.12
Route 10	B-M-Q-S-T1-AP-AQ-AL2-AM	4.16
Route 11	B-M-N-T1-AP-AQ-AL2-AM	4.08
Route 12	B-M-Q-S-T1-T2-AC-AH-AL1-AL2-AN-AO	4.48
Route 13	C-I-W-AC-AF2-AQ-AL2-AM	4.81
Route 14	C-I-X-Y-AI-AJ-AL1-AL2-AN-AO	5.55
Route 15	C-I-X-Y-AI-AK	5.30
Route 16	D-G-I-W-AC-AF2-AQ-AL2-AM	5.45
Route 17	D-H-U-Y-AI-AJ-AL1-AL2-AN-AO	5.90
Route 18	D-H-V-AI-AK	5.80

The following narrative along with the enclosed map provides a general description of the segments that form the 18 Primary Alternative Routes in relation to area landmarks and readily identifiable points of reference such as administrative boundaries, streets, roads, highways, railroad tracks, etc. *Some segments may be utilized in forward progressing routes as currently described, or in the opposite direction. All distances listed below are approximate and rounded to the nearest hundredths of a mile. The distances of individual segments below may not sum to the total length of route presented above due to rounding.*

SEGMENT A: 0.64 Mile

Segment A begins at its intersection with the existing GVEC Cibolo-McQueeney 138 kV transmission line, Tap Location A, located within Cibolo city limits approximately 0.83 mile northwest of the intersection of

Arizpe Road and Pfannstiel Lane. The segment proceeds south for approximately 0.05 miles exiting the Cibolo city limits before angling south-southeast for approximately 0.52 mile crossing Arizpe Road. The segment then angles northeast, paralleling the south side of Arizpe Road for approximately 0.07 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments E and F, located on the south side of Arizpe Road approximately 0.39 mile west-northwest of the intersection of Arizpe Road and Pfannstiel Lane.

SEGMENT B: 1.58 Mile

Segment B begins at its intersection with the existing GVEC Cibolo-McQueeney 138 kV transmission line, Tap Location B, located north of Pfannstiel Lane approximately 0.20 mile west of the intersection of the existing transmission line and Pfannstiel Lane in Cibolo city limits. The segment proceeds south-southeast crossing Pfannstiel Lane and two pipelines for approximately 1.27 mile. The segment then angles west-southwest for approximately 0.03 mile. The segment then angles south-southwest for approximately 0.28 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments L and M, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road approximately 0.42 mile east of the intersection of Pfannstiel Lane and Lower Seguin Road.

SEGMENT C: 0.77 Mile

Segment C begins at its intersection with the existing GVEC Cibolo-McQueeney 138 kV transmission line, Tap Location C, located on the west side of Gembler Road approximately 0.14 mile south of the intersection of Farm-to-Market (FM) 78 and Gembler Road. The segment proceeds southeast, paralleling the west side of Gembler Road for approximately 0.13 mile then angles southwest for approximately 0.15 mile crossing Santa Clara Creek. The segment then angles southeast for approximately 0.49 mile crossing two pipelines and Santa Clara Creek three times. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments I and G, located west of Santa Clara Creek approximately 0.57 mile northeast of the FM 465 and Wosnig Road intersection.

SEGMENT D: 0.74 Mile

Segment D begins at its intersection with the existing GVEC Cibolo-McQueeney 138 kV transmission line, Tap Location D, located south of FM 78 approximately 0.43 mile east of the intersection of FM 78 and Gembler Road. The segment proceeds southeast, paralleling an existing transmission line for approximately 0.74 mile and crossing two pipelines. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments G and H, located on the west side of the existing transmission line, approximately 1.06 mile southeast of the intersection of FM 78 and Gembler Road.

SEGMENT E: 1.12 Mile

Segment E begins at its intersection with Segments A and F, located on the south side of Arizpe Road approximately 0.39 mile west of the intersection of Arizpe Road and Pfannstiel Lane. It proceeds southeast for approximately 1.12 mile crossing two pipelines. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments J and O, located on the northwest side of the intersection of Lower Seguin Road and Stolte Road approximately 0.39 mile west of the intersection of Pfannstiel Lane and Lower Seguin Road.

SEGMENT F: 1.51 Mile

Segment F begins at its intersection with Segments A and E, located on the south side of Arizpe Road approximately 0.39 mile west of the intersection of Arizpe Road and Pfannstiel Lane. The segment proceeds east-northeast, paralleling the south side of Arizpe Road and Pfannstiel Lane for approximately 0.20 mile. The segment then angles east, paralleling the south side of Arizpe Road for approximately 0.18 mile. The segment then angles south-southeast, paralleling the west side of Pfannstiel Lane for approximately 0.41 mile. The segment then angles east-southeast for approximately 0.05 mile crossing Pfannstiel Lane. The segment then angles southeast paralleling the east side of Pfannstiel Lane for approximately 0.67 mile crossing two pipelines. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments J and K, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road where the Lower Seguin Road and Pfannstiel Lane intersect.

SEGMENT G: 0.68 Mile

Segment G begins at its intersection with Segments D and H, located on the west side of an existing transmission line approximately 1.06 mile southeast of the intersection of FM 78 and Gembler Road. The segment proceeds southwest for approximately 0.68 mile crossing Santa Clara Creek. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments C and I, located west of Santa Clara Creek approximately 0.57 mile northeast of the FM 465 and Wosnig Road intersection.

SEGMENT H: 0.94 Mile

Segment H begins at its intersection with Segments D and G, located on the west side of an existing transmission line approximately 1.06 mile southeast of the intersection of FM 78 and Gembler Road. The segment proceeds southeast, paralleling the west side of the existing transmission line for approximately 0.56 mile. The segment then angles southwest, paralleling the north side of Wosnig Road for approximately 0.38 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments U and V, located on the north side of Wosnig Road approximately 0.84 mile northeast of the intersection of FM 465 and Wosnig Road.

SEGMENT I: 1.05 Mile

Segment I begins at its intersection with Segments C and G, located west of Santa Clara Creek approximately 0.57 mile northeast of the FM 465 and Wosnig Road intersection. The segment proceeds southwest approximately 0.39 mile then angles southeast for approximately 0.38 mile. The segment angles southwest for approximately 0.03 mile crossing FM 465. The segment then angles southeast, paralleling the west side of FM 465 for approximately 0.25 mile and crossing Santa Clara Creek. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments W and X, located on the west side of FM 465 approximately 0.28 mile northwest of the intersection of FM 465 and Stagecoach Road.

SEGMENT J: 0.40 Mile

Segment J begins at its intersection with Segments E and O, located on the northwest side of the intersection of Lower Seguin Road and Stolte Road approximately 0.39 mile west of the intersection of Pfannstiel Lane and Lower Seguin Road. The segment proceeds east-northeast, paralleling the north side of Lower Seguin Road for approximately 0.40 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments F and K, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road where Lower Seguin Road and Pfannstiel Lane intersect.

SEGMENT K: 0.16 Mile

Segment K begins at its intersection with Segments F and J, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road where the Lower Seguin Road and Pfannstiel Lane intersect. The segment proceeds east-northeast, paralleling the north side of Lower Seguin Road for approximately 0.16 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments L and P, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road approximately 0.16 mile east of the intersection of Lower Seguin Road and Pfannstiel Lane.

SEGMENT L: 0.26 Mile

Segment L begins at its intersection with Segments K and P, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road approximately 0.16 mile east of the intersection of Lower Seguin Road and Pfannstiel Lane. The segment proceeds east-northeast, paralleling the north side of Lower Seguin Road for approximately 0.26 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments B and M, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road approximately 0.42 mile east of the intersection of Pfannstiel Lane and Lower Seguin Road.

SEGMENT M: 0.22 Mile

Segment M begins at its intersection with Segments B and L, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road approximately 0.42 mile east of the intersection of Pfannstiel Lane and Lower Seguin Road. The route proceeds east, paralleling the north side of Lower Seguin Road for approximately 0.07 mile. The route then

angles east-northeast, paralleling the north side of Lower Seguin Road for approximately 0.15 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments N and Q, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road approximately 0.60 mile west of the intersection of Red Oak Trail and Lower Seguin Road.

SEGMENT N: 0.62 Mile

Segment N begins at its intersection with Segments M and Q, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road approximately 0.60 mile west of the intersection of Red Oak Trail and Lower Seguin Road. The segment proceeds east-northeast paralleling the north side of Lower Seguin Road for approximately 0.26 mile. The segment then angles southeast for approximately 0.05 mile crossing the Lower Seguin Road. The segment then angles south-southeast for approximately 0.31 mile crossing the Lower Seguin Road. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments S and T1, located between Lower Seguin Road and Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.62 mile southwest of the intersection of Red Oak Trail and Lower Seguin Road.

SEGMENT O: 0.70 Mile

Segment O begins at its intersection with Segments E and J, located on the northwest side of the intersection of Lower Seguin Road and Stolte Road approximately 0.39 mile west of the intersection of Pfannstiel Lane and Lower Seguin Road. The segment proceeds southeast, paralleling the west side of Stolte Road for approximately 0.25 mile. The segment then angles east for approximately 0.10 mile and crosses Stolte Road. The segment then angles southeast, paralleling the east side of Stolte Road for approximately 0.35 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments R and Z, located on the east side of Stolte Road approximately 0.47 mile northeast of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road.

SEGMENT P: 0.50 Mile

Segment P begins at its intersection with Segments K and L, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road approximately 0.16 mile east of the intersection of Lower Seguin Road and Pfannstiel Lane. The segment proceeds southeast for approximately 0.50 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments R and AA, located between Lower Seguin Road and Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.72 mile northeast of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road.

SEGMENT Q: 0.42 Mile

Segment Q begins at its intersection with Segments M and N, located on the north side of Lower Seguin Road approximately 0.60 mile west of the intersection of Red Oak Trail and Lower Seguin Road. The segment proceeds southeast for approximately 0.42 mile crossing the Lower Seguin Road. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments S and AB, located between Lower Seguin Road and Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.77 mile northwest of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road.

SEGMENT R: 0.47 Mile

Segment R begins at its intersection with Segments O and Z, located on the east side of Stolte Road approximately 0.47 mile northeast of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road. The segment proceeds northeast for approximately 0.47 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments P and AA, located between Lower Seguin Road and Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.72 mile northeast of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road.

SEGMENT S: 0.28 Mile

Segment S begins at its intersection with Segments Q and AB, located between Lower Seguin Road and Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.77 mile northwest of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road. The segment proceeds northeast for approximately 0.28 mile. The segment terminates at its

intersection with Segments N and T1, located between Lower Seguin Road and Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.62 mile southwest of the intersection of Red Oak Trail and Lower Seguin Road.

SEGMENT T1: 0.53 Mile

Segment T1 begins at its intersection with Segments N and S, located between Lower Seguin Road and Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.62 mile southwest of the intersection of Red Oak Trail and Lower Seguin Road. The segment proceeds northeast for approximately 0.32 mile. The segment then angles southeast for approximately 0.21 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments T2 and AP, located west of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.33 mile northwest of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road.

SEGMENT T2: 0.20 Mile

Segment T2 begins at its intersection with Segments T1 and AP, located west of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.33 mile northwest of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road. The segment proceeds northeast for approximately 0.20 mile and crosses Santa Clara Road. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments W and AC, located on the east side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.28 mile north of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Ebert Road.

SEGMENT U: 1.20 Mile

Segment U begins at its intersection with Segments H and V, located on the north side of Wosnig Road approximately 0.84 mile northeast of the intersection of FM 465 and Wosnig Road. The segment proceeds southwest paralleling the north side of Wosnig Road for approximately 0.43 mile. The segment then angles southeast for approximately 0.63 mile crossing Wosnig Roadand Stagecoach Road. The segment then angles southwest for approximately 0.14 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments X and Y, located on the east side of FM 465 approximately 0.38 mile southeast of the intersection of FM 465 and Stagecoach Road.

SEGMENT V: 1.74 Mile

Segment V begins at its intersection with Segments H and U, located on the north side of Wosnig Road approximately 0.84 mile northeast of the intersection of FM 465 and Wosnig Road. The segment proceeds south for approximately 0.11 mile crossing Wosnig Road. The segment then angles east-southeast for approximately 0.06 mile. The segment then proceeds southeast for approximately 0.87 mile crossing Stagecoach Road. The segment then angles southwest for approximately 0.69 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments Y and AI, located east of FM 465 approximately 0.30 mile northeast of the intersection of FM 465 and Dewey Lane.

SEGMENT W: 1.65 Mile

Segment W begins at its intersection with Segments I and X, located on the west side of FM 465 approximately 0.28 mile northwest of the intersection of FM 465 and Stagecoach Road. The segment proceeds west-southwest for approximately 0.36 mile. The segment then angles southwest for approximately 0.14 mile crossing Santa Clara Creek. The segment then angles west for approximately 0.23 mile. The segment then angles west-southwest, paralleling the south side of Lower Seguin Road for approximately 0.11 mile. The segment then angles southwest for approximately 0.38 mile. The segment then angles west-northwest for approximately 0.43 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments T2 and AC, located on the east side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.28 mile north of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Ebert Road.

SEGMENT X: 0.70 Mile

Segment X begins at its intersection with Segments I and W, located on the west side of FM 465 approximately 0.28 mile northwest of the intersection of FM 465 and Stagecoach Road. The segment proceeds southeast, paralleling the west side of FM 465 for approximately 0.09 mile. The segment then angles south-southeast, paralleling the west side of FM 465 for approximately 0.10 mile. The segment then angles south for approximately 0.04 mile, crossing Stagecoach Road. The segment then angles east for approximately 0.08 mile. The segment then angles southeast, paralleling the west side of FM 465 for approximately 0.39 mile crossing FM 465. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments U and Y, located on the east side of FM 465 approximately 0.38 mile southeast of the intersection of FM 465 and Stagecoach Road.

SEGMENT Y: 0.39 Mile

Segment Y beings at its intersection with Segments U and X, located on the east side of FM 465 approximately 0.38 mile southeast of the intersection of FM 465 and Stagecoach Road. The segment proceeds south, paralleling FM 465 for approximately 0.28 mile. The segment then angles south- southeast for approximately 0.11 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments V and AI, located east of FM 465 approximately 0.30 mile northeast of the intersection of FM 465 and Dewey Lane.

SEGMENT Z: 1.03 Mile

Segment Z beings at its intersection with Segments O and R, located on the east side of Stolte Road approximately 0.47 mile northeast of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road. The segment proceeds southwest for approximately 0.02 mile crossing Stolte Road. The segment then angles southeast paralleling Stolte Road for approximately 0.49 mile, crossing Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road. The route then angles northeast paralleling the south side of Schmoeckel Road for approximately 0.09 mile. The segment then angles north-northeast for approximately 0.06 mile and crosses Schmoeckel Road. The segment then angles northeast paralleling the north side of Schmoeckel Road for approximately 0.37 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AA and AD, located on the north side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.54 mile northeast of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road.

SEGMENT AA: 0.45 Mile

Segment AA begins at its intersection with Segments P and R, located between Lower Seguin Road and Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.72 mile northeast of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road. The segment proceeds southeast for approximately 0.45 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments Z and AD, located on the north side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.54 mile northeast of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road.

SEGMENT AB: 0.41 Mile

Segment AB begins at its intersection with Segments Q and S, located between Lower Seguin Road and Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.77 mile northwest of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road. The segment proceeds southeast for approximately 0.41 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AD and AE, located on the north side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.99 mile southwest of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road.

SEGMENT AC: 0.29 Mile

Segment AC beings at its intersection with Segments T2 and W, located on the east side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.28 mile north of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Ebert Road. The segment proceeds southeast, paralleling the east side of Santa Clara Road for approximately 0.29 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AF2 and AH, located on the east side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.02 mile southeast of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road.

SEGMENT AD: 0.45 Mile

Segment AD begins at its intersection with Segments Z and AA, located on the north side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.54 mile northeast of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road. The segment proceeds east, paralleling the north side of Schmoeckel Road for approximately 0.45 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AB and AE, located on the north side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.99 mile southwest of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road.

SEGMENT AE: 0.22 Mile

Segment AE begins at its intersection with Segments AB and AD, located on the north side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.99 mile southwest of the intersection of Stolte Road and Schmoeckel Road. The segment proceeds south for approximately 0.04 mile crossing Schmoeckel Road. The segment then angles northeast, paralleling the south side of Schmoeckel Road for approximately 0.18 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AF1 and AG, located on the south side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.59 mile southwest of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Schmoeckel Road.

SEGMENT AF1: 0.41 Mile

Segment AF1 begins at its intersection with Segments AE and AG, located on the south side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.59 mile southwest of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Schmoeckel Road. The segment proceeds northeast, paralleling the south side of Schmoeckel Road for approximately 0.41 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AF2, AP, and AQ, located on the south side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.19 mile southwest of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road.

SEGMENT AF2: 0.20 Mile

Segment AF begins at its intersection with Segments AF1, AP, and AQ, located on the south side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.19 mile southwest of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road. The segment proceeds northeast, paralleling the south side of Schmoeckel Road for approximately 0.20 mile and crossing Santa Clara Road. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AC and AH, located on the east side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.02 mile southeast of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road.

SEGMENT AG: 0.72 Mile

Segment AG begins at its intersection with Segments AE and AF1, located on the south side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.59 mile southwest of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Schmoeckel Road. The segment continues southeast for approximately 0.65 mile. The segment then angles northeast for approximately 0.07 mile and terminates at the northwest corner of the proposed GVEC Santa Clara Substation, located on the north side of Bolton Road approximately 0.36 mile northwest of the intersection of Bolton Road and Santa Clara Road.

SEGMENT AH: 0.36 Mile

Segment AH begins at its intersection with Segments AC and AF2, located on the east side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.02 mile southeast of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road. The segment proceeds southeast, paralleling the east side of Santa Clara Road for approximately 0.36 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AJ and AL1, located on the north side of Ebert Road approximately 0.04 mile southeast of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Ebert Road.

SEGMENT AI: 0.80 Mile

Segment AI begins at its intersection with Segments V and Y, located east of FM 465 approximately 0.30 mile northeast of the intersection of FM 465 and Dewey Lane. The segment proceeds southwest for

approximately 0.20 mile crossing Santa Clara Road. The segment angles southeast, paralleling Santa Clara Road for approximately 0.06 mile. The segment then angles southwest for approximately 0.54 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AJ and AK, located between Santa Clara Creek and FM 465 approximately 0.59 mile west of the intersection of FM 465 and Dewey Lane.

SEGMENT AJ: 1.23 Mile

Segment AJ begins at its intersection with Segments AI and AK, located between Santa Clara Creek and FM 465 approximately 0.59 mile west of the intersection of FM 465 and Dewey Lane. The segment proceeds west for approximately 0.12 mile. The route then angles north-northwest for approximately 0.25 mile, crossing Santa Clara Creek. The route then angles west-southwest, for 0.39 mile. The segment continues west-southwest paralleling the north side of Ebert Road for approximately 0.47 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AH and AL1, located on the north side of Ebert Road approximately 0.04 mile southeast of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Ebert Road.

SEGMENT AK: 1.58 Mile

Segment AK begins at its intersection with Segments AI and AJ, located between Santa Clara Creek and FM 465 approximately 0.59 mile west of the intersection of FM 465 and Dewey Lane. The segment proceeds south-southwest for approximately 0.30 mile crossing the Santa Clara Creek. The segment then angles southwest for approximately 0.87 mile, crossing Santa Clara Road. The segment then angles northwest, paralleling the west side of Santa Clara Road for approximately 0.20 mile. The segment then angles southwest, paralleling the south side of Bolton Road for approximately 0.18 mile. The route then angles northwest for approximately 0.03 mile crosses Bolton Road and terminates at the southeast corner of the proposed GVEC Santa Clara Substation, located on the north side of Bolton Road approximately 0.20 mile west of the intersection of Bolton Road and Santa Clara Road.

SEGMENT AL1: 0.16 Mile

Segment AL1 begins at its intersection with Segments AH and AJ, located on the north side of Ebert Road approximately 0.04 mile southeast of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Ebert Road. The segment proceeds southwest for approximately 0.16 mile crossing Ebert Road and Santa Clara Road. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AL2 and AQ, located west of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.14 mile west of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Ebert Road.

SEGMENT AL2: 0.17 Mile

Segment AL2 begins at its intersection with Segments AL1 and AQ, located west of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.14 mile west of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Ebert Road. The segment proceeds southeast, paralleling the west side of Santa Clara Road for approximately 0.17 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AM and AN, located on the west side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.18 mile north of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Bolton Road.

SEGMENT AM: 0.33 Mile

Segment AM begins at its intersection with Segments AL2 and AN, located on the west side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.18 mile north of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Bolton Road. The segment proceeds southwest for approximately 0.24 mile. The segment then angles southeast for approximately 0.09 mile and terminates at the north side of the proposed GVEC Santa Clara Substation, located on the north side of Bolton Road approximately 0.28 mile northwest of the intersection of Bolton Road and Santa Clara Road.

SEGMENT AN: 0.09 Mile

Segment AN begins at its intersection with Segments AL2 and AM, located on the west side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.18 mile north of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Bolton Road. The segment proceeds south, paralleling the west side of Santa Clara Road for approximately 0.09 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segment AO, located on the west side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.10 mile north of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Bolton Road.

SEGMENT AO: 0.18 Mile

Segment AO begins at its intersection with Segment AN, located on the west side of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.10 mile north of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Bolton Road. The segment proceeds southwest for approximately 0.18 mile and terminates at the northeast corner of the proposed GVEC Santa Clara Substation, located on the north side of Bolton Road approximately 0.22 mile northwest of the intersection of Bolton Road and Santa Clara Road.

SEGMENT AP: 0.28 Mile

Segment AP begins at its intersection with Segments T1 and T2, located west of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.33 mile northwest of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road. The segment proceeds southeast for approximately 0.26 mile. The segment then angles south for approximately 0.02 mile crossing Schmoeckel Road. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AF1, AF2, and AQ, located on the south side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.19 mile southwest of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road.

SEGMENT AQ: 0.34 Mile

Segment AQ begins at its intersection with Segments AF1, AF2, and AP, located on the south side of Schmoeckel Road approximately 0.19 mile southwest of the intersection of Schmoeckel Road and Santa Clara Road. The segment proceeds southeast for approximately 0.34 mile. The segment terminates at its intersection with Segments AL1 and AL2, located west of Santa Clara Road approximately 0.14 mile west of the intersection of Santa Clara Road and Ebert Road.

If you have questions about this project, please contact Sandra Young with GVEC at (830) 401-8326.

Sincerely,

GUADALUPE VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Darren Schauer
General Manager/CEO

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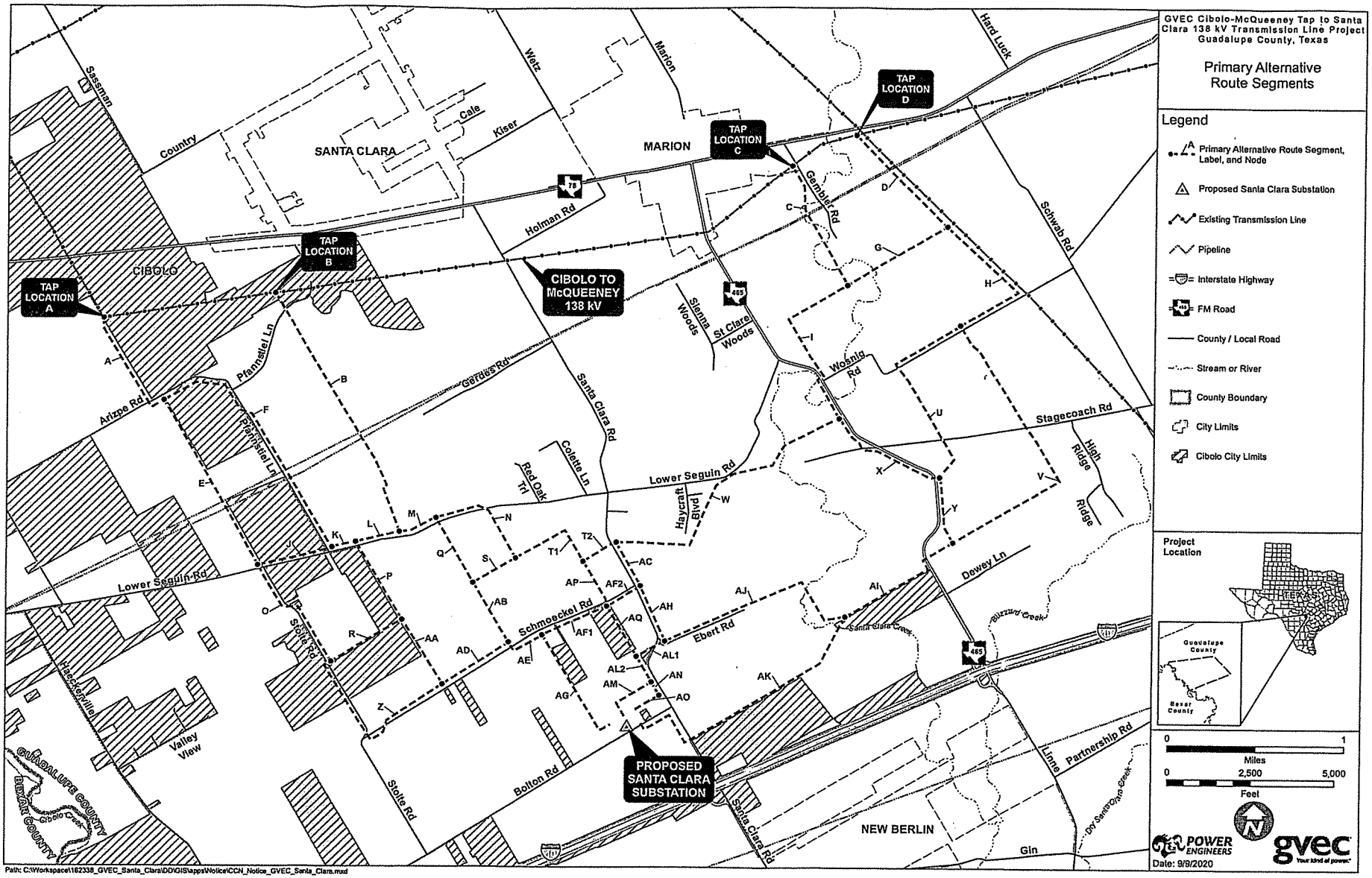

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Purpose of This Brochure

This brochure is intended to provide landowners with information about proposed new transmission lines and the Public Utility Commission's ("PUC" or "Commission") process for evaluating these proposals. At the end of the brochure is a list of sources for additional information.

The following topics are covered in this brochure:

- How the PUC evaluates whether a new transmission line should be built,
- How you can participate in the PUC's evaluation of a line, and
- How utilities acquire the right to build a transmission line on private property.

You are receiving the enclosed formal notice because one or more of the routes for a proposed transmission line may require an easement or other property interest across your property, or the centerline of the proposed project may come within 300 feet of a house or other habitable structure on your property. This distance is expanded to 500 feet if the proposed line is greater than 230 kilovolts (kV). For this reason, your property is considered **directly affected land.** This brochure is being included as part of the formal notice process.

If you have questions about the proposed routes for a transmission line, you may contact the applicant. The applicant also has a more detailed map of the proposed routes for the transmission line and nearby habitable structures. The applicant may help you understand the routing of the project and the application approval process in a transmission line case but cannot provide legal advice or represent you. ***The applicant cannot predict which route may or may not be approved by the PUC. The PUC decides which route to use for the transmission line, and the applicant is not obligated to keep you informed of the PUC's proceedings. The only way to fully participate in the PUC's decision on where to locate the transmission line is to intervene, which is discussed below.***

The PUC is sensitive to the impact that transmission lines have on private property. At the same time, transmission lines deliver electricity to millions of homes and businesses in Texas, and new lines are sometimes needed so that customers can obtain reliable, economical power.

The PUC's job is to decide whether a transmission line application should be approved and on which route the line should be constructed. The PUC values input from landowners and encourages you to participate in this process by intervening in the docket.

PUC Transmission Line Case

Texas law provides that most utilities must file an application with the PUC to obtain or amend a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) in order to build a new transmission line in Texas. The law requires the PUC to consider a number of factors in deciding whether to approve a proposed new transmission line.

The PUC may approve an application to obtain or amend a CCN for a transmission line after considering the following factors:

- Adequacy of existing service;
- Need for additional service;
- The effect of approving the application on the applicant and any utility serving the proximate area;
- Whether the route utilizes existing compatible rights-of- way, including the use of vacant positions on existing multiple-circuit transmission lines;
  Whether the route parallels existing compatible rights-of-way;
  Whether the route parallels property lines or other natural or cultural features;
  Whether the route conforms with the policy of prudent avoidance (which is defined as the limiting of exposures to electric and magnetic fields that can be avoided with reasonable investments of money and effort); and
  Other factors such as community values, recreational and park areas, historical and aesthetic values, environmental integrity, and the probable improvement of service or lowering of cost to consumers in the area.

If the PUC decides an application should be approved, it will grant to the applicant a CCN or CCN amendment to allow for the construction and operation of the new transmission line.

Application to Obtain or Amend a CCN:

An application to obtain or amend a CCN describes the proposed line and includes a statement from the applicant describing the need for the line and the impact of building it. In addition to the routes proposed by the applicant in its application, the possibility exists that additional routes may be developed, during the course of a CCN case, that could affect property in a different manner than the original routes proposed by the applicant.

The PUC conducts a case to evaluate the impact of the proposed line and to decide which route should be approved. Landowners who would be affected by a new line can:

- informally file a protest, or
- formally participate in the case as an intervenor.

Filing a Protest (informal comments):

If you do not wish to intervene and participate in a hearing in a CCN case, you may file **comments.** An individual or business or a group who files only comments for or against any aspect of the transmission line application is considered a "protestor."

Protestors make a written or verbal statement in support of or in opposition to the utility's application and give information to the PUC staff that they believe supports their position.

Protestors are ***not*** parties to the case, however, and ***do not have the right to:***

- Obtain facts about the case from other parties;
- Receive notice of a hearing, or copies of testimony and other documents that are filed in the case;
- Receive notice of the time and place for negotiations;
- File testimony and/or cross-examine witnesses;
- Submit evidence at the hearing; or
- Appeal P.U.C. decisions to the courts.

If you want to make comments, you may either send written comments stating your position, or you may make a statement on the first day of the hearing. If you have not intervened, however, you will not be able to participate as a party in the hearing. Only parties may submit evidence and ***the PUC must base its decision on the evidence.***

Intervening in a Case:

To become an intervenor, you must file a statement with the PUC, no later than the date specified in the notice letter sent to you with this brochure, requesting intervenor status (also referred to as a party). This statement should describe how the proposed transmission line would affect your property. Typically, intervention is granted only to directly affected landowners. However, any landowner may request to intervene and obtain a ruling on his or her specific fact situation and concerns. A sample form for intervention and the filing address are attached to this brochure, and may be used to make your filing. A letter requesting intervention may also be used in lieu of the sample form for intervention.

If you decide to intervene and become a party in a case, you will be required to follow certain procedural rules:

- You are required to timely respond to requests for information from other parties who seek information.
- If you file testimony, you must appear at a hearing to be cross-examined.
- If you file testimony or any letters or other documents in the case, you must send copies of the documents to every party in the case and you must file multiple copies with the PUC.
  If you intend to participate at the hearing and you do not file testimony, you must at least file a statement of position, which is a document that describes your position in the case.
  Failure to comply with these procedural rules may serve as grounds for you to be dismissed as an intervenor in the case.
  If you wish to participate in the proceedings it is very important to attend any prehearing conferences.

Intervenors may represent themselves or have an attorney to represent them in a CCN case. If you intervene in a case, you may want an attorney to help you understand the PUC's procedures and the laws and rules that the PUC applies in deciding whether to approve a transmission line. The PUC encourages landowners to intervene and become parties.

Stages of a CCN Case:

If there are persons who intervene in the case and oppose the approval of the line, the PUC may refer the case to an administrative law judge (ALJ) at the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) to conduct a hearing, or the Commission may elect to conduct a hearing itself. The hearing is a formal proceeding, much like a trial, in which testimony is presented. In the event the case is referred to SOAH, the ALJ makes a recommendation to the PUC on whether the application should be approved and where and how the line should be routed.

There are several stages of a CCN case:

- The ALJ holds a prehearing conference (usually in Austin) to set a schedule for the case.
- Parties to the case have the opportunity to conduct discovery; that is, obtain facts about the case from other parties.
- A hearing is held (usually in Austin), and parties have an opportunity to cross-examine the witnesses.
- Parties file written testimony before the date of the hearing. Parties that do not file written testimony or statements of position by the deadline established by the ALJ may not be allowed to participate in the hearing on the merits.
  Parties may file written briefs concerning the evidence presented at the hearing, but are not required to do so.
  In deciding where to locate the transmission line and other issues presented by the application, the ALJ and Commission rely on factual information submitted as evidence at the hearing by the parties in the case. In order to submit factual information as evidence (other than through cross-examination of other parties' witnesses), a party must have intervened in the docket and filed written testimony on or before the deadline set by the ALJ.
  The ALJ makes a recommendation, called a **proposal for decision**, to the Commission regarding the case. Parties who disagree with the ALJ's recommendation may file exceptions.
  The Commissioners discuss the case and decide whether to approve the application. The Commission may approve the ALJ's recommendation, approve it with specified changes, send the case back to the ALJ for further consideration, or deny the application. The written decision rendered by the Commission is called a **final order**. Parties who believe that the Commission's decision is in error may file motions for rehearing, asking the Commission to reconsider the decision.
  After the Commission rule on the motion for rehearing, parties have the right to appeal the decision to district court in Travis County.

Right to Use Private Property

The Commission is responsible for deciding whether to approve a CCN application for a proposed transmission line. If a transmission line route is approved that impacts your property, the electric utility must obtain the right from you to enter your property and to build, operate, and maintain the transmission line. This right is typically called an easement.

Utilities may buy easements through a negotiated agreement, but they also have the power of eminent domain (condemnation) under Texas law. Local courts, not the PUC, decide issues concerning easements for rights-of-way. The PUC does not determine the value of property.

The PUC final order in a transmission case normally requires a utility to take certain steps to minimize the impact of the new transmission line on landowners' property and on the environment. For example, the order normally requires steps to minimize the possibility of erosion during construction and maintenance activities.

HOW TO OBTAIN MORE INFORMATION

The PUC's online filings interchange on the PUC website provides free access to documents that are filed with the Commission in Central Records. The docket number, also called a control number on the PUC website, of a case is a key piece of information used in locating documents in the case. You may access the Interchange by visiting the PUC's website home page at www.puc.state.tx.us and navigate the website as follows:

- Select "Filings."
  Select "Filings Search."
  Select "Filings Search."
  Enter 5-digit Control (Docket) Number. *No other information is necessary.*
  Select "Search." *All of the filings in the docket will appear in order of date filed.*
  Scroll down to select desired filing.
  Click on a blue "Item" number at left.
  Click on a "Download" icon at left.

Documents may also be purchased from and filed in Central Records. For more information on how to purchase or file documents, call Central Records at the PUC at 512-936-7180.

PUC Substantive Rule 25.101, Certification Criteria, addresses transmission line CCNs and is available on the PUC's website, or you may obtain copies of PUC rules from Central Records.

Always include the docket number on all filings with the PUC. You can find the docket number on the enclosed formal notice. Send documents to the PUC at the following address.

Public Utility Commission of Texas
Central Records
Attn: Filing Clerk
1701 N. Congress Avenue
P.O. Box 13326
Austin, TX 78711-3326

The information contained within this brochure is not intended to provide a comprehensive guide to landowner rights and responsibilities in transmission line cases at the PUC. This brochure should neither be regarded as legal advice nor should it be a substitute for the PUC's rules. However, if you have questions about the process in transmission line cases, you may call the PUC's Legal Division at 512-936-7260. The PUC's Legal Division may help you understand the process in a transmission line case but cannot provide legal advice or represent you in a case. You may choose to hire an attorney to decide whether to intervene in a transmission line case, and an attorney may represent you if you choose to intervene.

Communicating with Decision-Makers

Do not contact the ALJ or the Commissioners by telephone or email. They are not allowed to discuss pending cases with you. They may make their recommendations and decisions only by relying on the evidence, written pleadings, and arguments that are presented in the case.

Request to Intervene in PUC Docket No. 51261

The following information must be submitted by the person requesting to intervene in this proceeding. This completed form will be provided to all parties in this docket. **If you DO NOT want to be an intervenor, but still want to file comments, please complete the "Comments" page.**

Mail this completed form and 10 copies to:

Public Utility Commission of Texas
Central Records
Attn: Filing Clerk
1701 N. Congress Ave.
P.O. Box 13326
Austin, TX 78711-3326

First Name:_____ Last Name: _____

Phone Number:_____ Fax Number:_____

Address, City, State:_____

Email Address:_____

I am requesting to intervene in this proceeding. As an INTERVENOR, I understand the following:

- I am a party to the case;
- I am required to respond to all discovery requests from other parties in the case;
- If I file testimony, I may be cross-examined in the hearing;
- If I file any documents in the case, I will have to provide a copy of that document to every other party in the case; and
- I acknowledge that I am bound by the Procedural Rules of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) and the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH).

Please check one of the following:

☐ I own property with a habitable structure located near one or more of the utility's proposed routes for a transmission line.

☐ One or more of the utility's proposed routes would cross my property.

☐ Other. Please describe and provide comments. You may attach a separate page, if necessary.

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Signature of person requesting intervention:

_____ Date: _____

Effective: April 8, 2020

Comments in Docket No. 51261

If you want to be a PROTESTOR only, please complete this form. Although public comments are not treated as evidence, they help inform the PUC and its staff of the public concerns and identify issues to be explored. The PUC welcomes such participation in its proceedings.

Mail this completed form and 10 copies to:

Public Utility Commission of Texas
Central Records
Attn: Filing Clerk
1701 N. Congress Ave.
P.O. Box 13326
Austin, TX 78711-3326

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Address, City, State: _____

I am NOT requesting to intervene in this proceeding. As a PROTESTOR, I understand the following:

- I am NOT a party to this case;
- My comments are not considered evidence in this case; and
- I have no further obligation to participate in the proceeding.

Please check one of the following:

☐ I own property with a habitable structure located near one or more of the utility's proposed routes for a transmission line.

☐ One or more of the utility's proposed routes would cross my property.

☐ Other. Please describe and provide comments. You may attach a separate page, if necessary. _____

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Signature of person submitting comments:

_____ Date: _____