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September 22, 2009

Mr. Richard Green, Chairman
Town of Pleasant Springs
2354 County Road N
Stoughton, WI 53589-2873

Re: Application of American Transmission Company, as an Electric
Public Utility, to Construct a New 345 kV Transmission Line from
the Rockdale Substation to the West Middleton Substation, Dane
County, Wisconsin

137-CE-147

Dear Mr. Green:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated September 2, 2009, regarding the Town of Pleasant Spring's concern about the authorized placement of the Rockdale-West Middleton transmission line near the interchange of County Road N and Interstate 90. Given that the appeal period for the Public Service Commission's Final Decision issued June 26, 2009, in docket 137-CE-147 has expired, your letter is being treated as a request for the Commission to reopen this docket on its own motion.

We will keep you informed as the Commission addresses your request. If you have questions, please call me at (608) 266-5621.

Sincerely,

David A. Ludwig
Assistant General Counsel

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September 2, 2009

Public Service Commission of Wisconsin
c/o Sandra J Paske, Secretary to the Commission
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RE: Docket #137-CE-147

Commissioners:

On behalf of the Town Board, I ask that the decision to place the 345kV Rockdale to Middleton transmission line on the north side of Interstate 90 at exit 147 be reconsidered. At its closest point, the line will be only 160 feet from a residential subdivision at that location. Residents are justifiably concerned about noise, fall-down radius, and negative health effects. We understand that very little can be done to mitigate the aesthetic disruption.

Our discussion with Sarah Justus, Local Relations Manager for American Transmission Company, indicates that the poles may be moved to the west, but we feel that a more tenable solution is to move the two poles on the west side of that interchange to the south side of the interstate right-of-way. This move will do much to ameliorate our concerns and provide residents some protection from the more onerous effects of high voltage lines.

We respectfully request an opportunity to discuss the issue at one of the Public Service Commission's regular September or October meetings. Please contact our Clerk, Donna Vogel, at (608) 873-3063 to coordinate the date and time so that we may be able to be on your agenda.

For the Town Board



Richard Green
Town Chairman

cc: Sarah Justus

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September 2, 2009

Sarah Justus, Local Relations Manager
American Transmission Company
2 Fen Oak Court
Madison, WI 53718-8810

Dear Sarah,

On behalf of the Town Board, thank you for sharing your time and expertise in discussing our residents' concerns about the decision to place the 345kV Rockdale to Middleton transmission line on the north side of Interstate 90 at exit 147.

We have contacted the Public Service Commission about relocating the two closest poles to the south side of the interstate road right-of-way. If that does not prove successful, we request three things:

1. Please relocate the two poles nearest to the subdivision to the points farthest east and west from the adjacent residences as possible.
2. Please use galvanized poles to minimize the visual impact of the installation.
3. Please provide these residents with ongoing communication about EMF testing and construction timeline information so they are as fully informed as possible.

We appreciate your continued efforts to inform the Town Board of your activities on the items above, and to ameliorate the potentially deleterious effects of the line for our constituents. Please contact the Board with any additional proposals or suggestions concerning the transmission line placement

For the Town Board,

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Richard Green
Town Chairman

Enc: PSC communication