Notice of Ex Parte Contact

TO:

Data Center:

All Parties in Case No. EO-2002-351

PSC Commissioners

FROM:

Chairman Kelvin Simmons

Commissioner Steve Gaw

Commissioner Bryan Forbis



DATE:

June 17, 2003

On June 6, 2003, we received the attached e-mail from Jill & Butch Drennen regarding AmerenUE. The Commission is currently considering the issues discussed in this document in Case No. **EO-2002-351**. **EO-2002-351** is a contested case. The Commission is bound by the same *ex parte* rule as a court of law.

Although communications from members of the public and members of the legislature are always welcome, those communications must be made known to all parties to a contested case so that those parties have the opportunity to respond. According to the Commission's rules (4 CSR 240-4), when a communication (either oral or written) occurs outside the hearing process, any member of the Commission or Regulatory Law Judge who received the communication shall prepare a written report concerning the communication and submit it each member of the Commission and the parties to the case. The report shall identify the person(s) who participated in the *ex parte* communication, the circumstances which resulted in the communication, the substance of the communication, and the relationship of the communication to a particular matter at issue before the Commission.

Therefore, we submit this report pursuant to the rules cited above. This will ensure that any party to this case will have notice of the attached information and a full and fair opportunity to respond to the comments contained therein.

cc:

Executive Director

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

General Counsel

Viebrock, Shelley

From: Jill Drennen [drennenfamily@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, June 06, 2003 8:10 PM

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Subject: 2002-351

It is my understanding that Ameren UE has submitted a document requesting you to make a decision regarding this request by July 15th. I also understand they have made voluntary promises to the landowners that this line may affect.

I ask you to please review this case very thoroughly. Ameren has made promises in the past they have not kept. They still have not to this day proven that this line is needed in rual Missouri.

Unfortunately, I am one of the people who will be affected by this line. I am the person who's home they want to take to put this line in. I know their document states that they will not take any residential homes, but they also state that they will not put the right-of-way 300 feet from any structure. Where the current line runs, their is no-way they can come 300 feet from our house. In my opinion, they are just trying to look good so that you will grant the line. These are the people who didn't even notify us when they had their open meetings that our home was the only home on this line that had to be removed. Even if our house is not removed, the powerlines will be right on top of us and to me that is worse because of the health hazard to my children.

I know we are just small town people, but we choose to have a life in the country that is quiet and peaceful. Do not take that away from us. Do not let this powerline be put in to benefit the pocketbook of Ameren UE and make the people of Rural Missouri suffer. We have fought long and hard to stop this line. I have no regrets. I will continue the fight even if it means changing the law to where these companies are not allowed to come up and take people's property with eminent domain without thorough justification.

I am not asking you to stop this line just for me, but for all the people that have fought this cause. Because it's the right thing to do. It is time we have a voice in how we live.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Jill & Butch Drennen

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