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HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Good morning. My clock says it's 9:00 so we are going to get started.

Today is January 16, 2026. This is the time and date set by a Notice of Filing and Notice of Public Hearing issued by the North Dakota Public Service Commission on November 19, 2025, for a hearing in Case No. PU-25-236. This hearing is being held today at the Baymont by Wyndham Jamestown Conference Center in Jamestown, North Dakota.

My name is Hope Hogan and I have been designated as the hearing officer for today's hearing. I will ensure that our hearing runs in an orderly fashion, but I am not a decision-maker in this case.

As we begin today, I'd ask that everybody please check your cell phones to make sure they're either silenced or turned off so that we don't have cell phone interruptions throughout our hearing today.

There's an attendance sheet that's being passed around. The Commission would ask that everybody sign in so that there's a record of all who attended our hearing this morning. If you do plan on offering public testimony, if you want to indicate that on the attendance sheet, I would appreciate that. That just helps me get an idea of how many people intend to

testify and to help plan our hearing today. But you're not bound by whether or not you check yes or no on there. If you later change your mind and decide you want to testify, that's fine too.

This is the last of three public hearings scheduled regarding the joint applications of Otter Tail Power Company and Montana-Dakota Utilities Company for a certificate of corridor compatibility and route permit concerning approximately 92 miles of double circuit capable 345kV electric transmission facility and associated facilities in Dickey, LaMoure, and Stutsman Counties, North Dakota. This hearing was scheduled to focus primarily on the portions of the project in Stutsman County. We previously had public hearings in Ellendale on Monday, January 12, and Edgeley on Wednesday, January 14.

The Notice of Filing and Notice of Public Hearing specified the following issues to be considered in this matter:

Number one. Will construction, operation, and maintenance of the facility at the proposed location produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?

Number two. Is the proposed facility compatible with environmental preservation and the efficient use of

resources?

And number three. Will construction, operation, and maintenance of the facility at the proposed location minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

The Commission had held a technical hearing on this application on January 8th and 9th, at which time the Applicants thoroughly went through the proposed project. Today we will start our hearing with a short summary of the project from the Applicants and any county-specific information. Then we will move to public testimony.

I encourage you to take this opportunity to tell the commissioners anything you think they should know about this matter. I assure you that what you have to say is important to the Commission and will be considered by the Commission.

By a show of hands, could you please raise your hand if you would like to testify today, just so I can get an idea of how many people we have?

Great. Thank you.

I'd ask that you try to limit your testimony to around five to 10 minutes today. The goal is to have a

safe and orderly hearing and to hear as many voices and give as many people opportunity to be heard today. I'd also ask that you please don't repeat concerns that have been previously stated this morning. It's sufficient to say you agree with the prior testimony and that that point has already been raised. Further instructions regarding public testimony will be given when we get to that portion of our hearing.

Now I'm going to ask the parties to state their appearance for the record.

And I'll start with you, Ms. Furey. Do you want to introduce yourself, your co-counsel, and any witnesses you intend to call today?

MS. FUREY: Yes. Thank you. Good morning, Your Honor, Commissioners. Casey Furey with Crowley Fleck, local counsel for the joint Applicants, Otter Tail Power Company and Montana-Dakota Utilities Company.

With me at counsel table today is my co-counsel, Erik Edison with Crowley Fleck. We intend to call one witness this morning, Mr. Jason Weiers with Otter Tail. Similar as to how we've proceeded at the, you know, prior public hearings this week, we do intend, as you mentioned, to just provide a brief project overview.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Mr. Pelham, do you want to state your appearance

for the record and introduce staff that's appearing with you this morning?

MR. PELHAM: Thank you, Your Honor. Good morning. Zachary Pelham, Special Assistant Attorney General on behalf of the Public Service Commission. Here at counsel table with me is PSC's Public Utilities director, Victor Schock. Victor may have questions to ask during today's hearing. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

We'll now hear opening comments from the commissioners. And I'll start with Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Good morning, everybody. Thank you for having us today. For some of you, this is your third time hearing me talk, so I'll try to keep it brief, but the first thing I want to address is, for those who have been to some hearings, you'll notice that typically there's three of us. And if you count, it seems to be that we're missing somebody today. And, no, we didn't leave him on the side of the snowy road this morning.

Our colleague Randy Christmann apologizes that he cannot be here today. He had a meeting for one of the regional transmission organizations, SPP, this morning that was in conflict with this and so he's

attending that meeting. But I wanted to assure you that anything that is said here today, this is all recorded, and so he is going to be reviewing and listening to whatever is recorded. He just apologizes that he can't be here to ask any questions that he has himself.

But as Judge Hogan said, we've had a technical hearing on this case here in Bismarck. That took about seven hours; heard from several company witnesses, asked a lot of questions, asked a lot of questions there. In Ellendale we took two and a half hours of public input. And then on Wednesday, in Edgeley, that was about six hours of public input.

And so today our focus, I would say, isn't -- we've had a lot of opportunity to question the company. And today, at least for me, my focus is hearing from you in this room. That's why we're here.

During these hearings, you'll see the big binders. We've gone through all the questions we've already asked. This is always an opportunity that -- something always comes out during these hearings that we may not be aware of, the company may not be aware of. And so I really encourage you, you don't have to have anything written, you don't have to have anything prepared. It's not that formal. Just come up. If there's anything you think we need to know, please come

tell us. What you tell us helps us make the best decision that we can within the bounds of our jurisdictional authority.

So that's all I have. Thank you again for traveling, especially in the weather that we had today. And I look forward to hearing from you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Thank you.

Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Good morning, everyone. I'm glad to see a full room and not hear of any accidents. So for those of you that were drivers, God bless you.

When Judge Hogan asked who's going to testify, I saw quite a few hands go up, but I just want to indicate that if you didn't raise your hand, that doesn't mean you can't testify. If something comes up and you feel that you want to say it, please feel free to come up and say what you need to say.

So, with that, that's all I have.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

I would note that at our technical hearing the Applicants presented 20 exhibits which were admitted into the record. Copies of those are available on the case docket, which is -- you can access through the Commission's website. I will also note that the

handouts that the Commission received at the public hearings in Ellendale and Edgeley will as well be available on the Commission's docket. It's my understanding they're not on the docket yet. That might take a day or two yet, just because I have to take them back to my office and get them over to the Commission. So that just takes a little bit of time, but be assured they will be on the docket.

With that, I'll just ask if there's any other preliminary matters we need to address before we move to testimony.

Ms. Furey, did you have anything?

MS. FUREY: Just one thing to note for the record, Your Honor. As I previously mentioned at the prior hearings, there are two sets of project maps that the Applicants have provided in this room. Each set consists of four maps. They correspond to Exhibit Nos. 14, 15, 16, and 17. I did just want to clarify that because there are other maps that have been put up in the room by attendees today. Those have not been provided by the Applicant.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Mr. Pelham, any other preliminary matters we need to address?

MR. PELHAM: No, Your Honor. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Then, Ms. Furey, you can call your witness.

MS. FUREY: Thank you, Your Honor. At this time, we'd like to call Mr. Jason Weiers.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Good morning. I'll have you start by stating your full name for the record and spelling your last name.

JASON WEIERS: My name is Jason Weiers. My last name is spelled W-E-I-E-R-S.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Weiers, before you testify today, I'm required by law to advise you on the penalties for perjury in the state of North Dakota.

Perjury is a class C felony punishable by maximum fine of $10,000, a maximum five years' imprisonment, or both.

Do you understand what perjury is?

JASON WEIERS: Yes, Your Honor.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

JASON WEIERS: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Go ahead, Ms. Furey.

MS. FUREY: Thank you.

JASON WEIERS,

being first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MS. FUREY:

Q. Can you please state your name again for the record, by whom you are employed, and your business address?

A. My name is Jason Weiers. I'm employed by Otter Tail Power Company. My business address is 215 South Cascade Street in Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

Q. And what is your position with Otter Tail?

A. In November of 2025, I transitioned to the role of manager of Transmission Policy and Contracts. I previously held the position of manager of Transmission Project Development at Otter Tail.

Over the past three years, as manager of Transmission Project Development, I was responsible for overseeing the permitting of transmission projects at the local, state, and federal levels. In addition, I was, and continue to be, responsible for developing agreements that outline the business arrangements for ownership, development, construction, operation, and maintenance activities related to co-owned transmission projects.

Q. Can you please describe your educational and professional background?

A. I graduated from North Dakota State University with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. I've been employed by Otter Tail since 2000 resulting in over 25 years of experience in the electric utility industry with more than 22 of those years in electric transmission planning. I am also a registered professional engineer in the state of Minnesota.

A copy of my resumé was submitted with my prefiled testimony in this proceeding.

Q. What is your role with respect to the project and are you familiar with the contents of the project siting application?

A. I am responsible for leading the permitting efforts for the project. Prior to my new role in November of 2025, I was involved in coordinating the various efforts related to routing, engineering, procurement, and construction.

I am familiar with the project siting application submitted in this proceeding and will continue to be responsible for leading the permitting efforts for the project as part of my current role transition at Otter Tail.

Q. Does the application accurately describe the

project?

A. Yes, along with the supplemental and supporting information that has been filed with the Commission and the Applicants' testimony provided to the Commission during the January 8th and 9th technical hearings.

Q. Have any changes occurred to the project since the application was filed with the Commission?

A. Yes. A proposed route adjustment was made to a segment of the project that crosses the James River to accommodate a landowner request. Documentation reflecting this alignment shift has been filed with the Commission and was discussed at the January 8 technical hearing.

Q. Can you please describe the project?

A. The project will consist of approximately 92 miles of new double circuit 345-kilovolt transmission from Otter Tail's existing Jamestown 345kV substation approximately 5.4 miles north of the city of Jamestown in Stutsman County to Montana-Dakota's existing Ellendale 345kV substation located approximately 1.3 miles west of the city of Ellendale in Dickey County.

The transmission line will initially be constructed with one circuit. As I discussed during the project's technical hearings, there are four discrete areas representing approximately 3 percent of the

overall project route that will be double circuited during initial construction to minimize impacts.

Q. And what is the purpose of connecting Otter Tail's existing Jamestown substation to Montana-Dakota's existing Ellendale substation with a new 345kV transmission line?

A. The connection has shown to be the most effective -- to most effectively address the reliability issues on the heavily-constrained 230kV system in eastern North Dakota, eastern South Dakota, and west central Minnesota that plays a key role in transporting energy into, out of, and through a large geographic area. The project creates a 345kV transmission loop by tying two existing 345kV systems together to enable a more reliable and economic delivery of throughout -- of energy throughout North Dakota and the Midwest.

Q. Are there any other facility improvements that are associated with the project?

A. Yes. The project as described in the application includes a substation expansion at Otter Tail's existing Jamestown 345kV substation and upgrades within Montana-Dakota's existing Ellendale 345kV substation.

In response to several of the comments during this week's public hearings, I want to clarify that the

project's application does not include any additional substations along the transmission line.

Q. Can you please describe how the project's location was generally selected?

A. The Applicants selected the project's location based on a multifaceted approach that considered federal, state, and local requirements, comments received at public open-house meetings, landowner preferences, and analysis of environmental and cultural resource data from desktop and field surveys.

Using this information in combination with the Commission siting criteria, the Applicants started with an initial project routing area that encompassed both endpoint substations that was first refined in the proposed corridors and then proposed routes.

Through the route development process, the Applicants hosted two rounds of public open-house meetings in the summer and fall of 2023 to gather initial input from landowners.

During the Commission's public hearings to date, there have been questions and comments regarding our landowner outreach. For additional background, the Applicants mailed over 9,550 meeting invitations to landowners listed in the counties' tax roll throughout the project's initial project routing area, which, as

you may recall, Commissioners, was 14 miles wide by 81 miles long. In addition, we published notices of the meetings in local newspapers and updated the project's website to provide notice of the open-house meetings. Following the final round of public open-house meetings, the Applicants evaluated the feedback received and further refined potential routes for the project.

To further refine the route, the right-of-way team's focus shifted to coordinating with individual landowners crossed by the potential routes through telephone calls, text messaging, in-person meetings, virtual meetings, email, and mail. The Applicants have considered feedback received from landowners willing to engage in routing discussions and made adjustments to the route where feasible.

Through this exhaustive route development process in collaboration with landowners, the Applicants have considered numerous route alternatives as outlined in Appendix C of the application and refined the project's route to what is reflected in the project's application.

Additional information about coordination with state and federal agencies and how environmental and cultural considerations were considered by the Applicants in the development of the project's route and

corridor is contained in the application and the prefiled and oral testimony of Kevin Scheidecker, a principal environmental services employee of Otter Tail.

Q. Beyond the public open houses and the one-on-one interactions, what other outreach efforts have been made with landowners and interested stakeholders?

A. A public outreach program was developed and implemented to provide education and comment opportunities for landowners, agencies, and other interested stakeholders. As part of this public outreach program, the Applicants used several communication channels.

More specifically, the Applicants developed and hosted a project-specific website, set up and hosted a project-specific information phone line, and created and communicated through a project-specific email address. Each of these communication channels allowed landowners and other interested stakeholders to continue to have two-way communication with the Applicants and will continue to be used throughout the duration of this project.

Q. Can you please describe the Applicants' efforts to engage with counties and townships along the project's route?

A. The Applicants' outreach to counties and

townships is summarized in Section 7 of the Application with additional information included in Appendix M.

This coordination included an initial outreach letter in March 2023, invitations to the project's open houses, and the follow-up letter that was sent in September of 2023. The letters sent to the counties and townships provided project information, solicited their feedback on routing considerations, and provided contact information for the Applicants.

Following the September 2023 letters, the Applicants have either voluntarily or by invitation attended various county and township meetings along the project route to request conditional use permits and provide updates regarding the project.

Q. Can you describe the project's schedule?

A. Following the Commission's decision on the application, the Applicants currently plan to start construction of the project in the third quarter of 2026. All necessary land rights and easements will be secured for parcels within the project corridor prior to construction beginning on them. The Applicants plan to complete construction and energize the line in the fourth quarter of 2028 with final reclamation activities to occur in 2029.

Q. Can you describe the benefits of the project to

Otter Tail and Montana-Dakota's customers?

A. In addition to regional benefits, the project offers significant reliability benefits to the local area by introducing a new 345kV transmission source into the 345kV substations at Jamestown and Ellendale.

With respect to Otter Tail's customers, the project will result in a new transmission line to serve the Jamestown area that will offer additional redundancy and increased system capability.

Otter Tail experienced an extreme weather event in the form of an ice storm in December 2023 that resulted in the only two 345kV transmission lines serving the Jamestown area both being out of service simultaneously. At that time, the capability of the transmission system was significantly reduced and resulted in large-load customers in the Jamestown area being forced to operate at reduced levels in order to maintain grid reliability. Otter Tail experienced the same exact situation twice during the summer of 2025 due to two separate severe weather events that made it challenging to maintain reliable service to the Jamestown area. The project is designed to minimize these types of similar reliability challenges in the future.

As Robert Frank, director of Electric

Transmission Engineering at Montana-Dakota, testified at the Commission's technical hearing, the project also benefits Montana-Dakota's electric customers by creating a looped 345kV system. More specifically, the project allows generation facilities from the west of Ellendale to curtail less for contingencies with a second 345kV transmission outlet at Ellendale.

Furthermore, power quality, specifically voltage stability, is also improved for the area by interconnecting the two 345kV transmission systems together.

Q. Did the Applicants consider whether it would be reasonable or feasible to install the transmission line underground?

A. Yes, but the Applicants concluded that underground installation is not feasible for this project. While it is common for lower-voltage distribution lines to be buried, it is rare for high-voltage transmission lines to be constructed underground.

Undergrounding high-voltage transmission is generally not used in the industry except in circumstances and locations where physical constraints allow for no other option.

Underground transmission is substantially more

costly to construct than overhead transmission. Based on the Applicants' estimates, the initial construction costs for undergrounding high-voltage transmission lines are estimated to be between five to 10 times higher than overhead transmission lines.

In addition, underground transmission results in greater environmental and land use impacts than overhead transmission during construction due to the need to excavate significantly more earth along the route to install the underground cable, making it more difficult to comply with the Commission siting criteria. Therefore, no portion of the project is proposed to be constructed as underground transmission.

Additional limitations confirming why it is not feasible to construct this project underground can be found in Section 2.3.1 of the application.

Q. What construction activities are associated with the project?

A. Initial survey work and geotechnical soil investigations will occur prior to construction. Additionally, the corridor will be cleared of vegetation as necessary to safely construct, operate, and maintain the project.

Once the survey work and tree-clearing is complete, structure foundation holes will be drilled and

filled with concrete. Concrete will be delivered to the structure location by ready-mix trucks and poured into the foundation hole. Structure components will be trucked to structure work pads for assembly and will then be erected using a crane to place them on the concrete foundation where they will be bolted on embedded anchor bolts.

After structures are erected, the conductor will be strung between the structures using bucket trucks or helicopters.

Q. What steps will be taken to reclaim lands within the project's corridor?

A. Following construction, disturbed areas will be reclaimed, fertilized, and reseeded according to Natural Resources Conservation Service, or NRCS, recommendations unless otherwise specified by a specific landowner and approved by the Commission. Post-construction reclamation activities will also include employing appropriate erosion controls and reseeding or otherwise stabilizing areas disturbed by construction. Unless otherwise agreed to by the landowner, all construction materials and debris will also be removed from the site once construction is complete.

Q. Is winter construction anticipated for the project?

A. Yes. Winter construction will be utilized, which will minimize landowner impacts and impacts to wetlands, sensitive soils, and vegetation.

The Applicants have provided additional information about procedures that they will be following when performing construction activities during winter conditions in a winter construction plan and in the technical hearings that were held on January 8. The Applicants will be supplementing their winter construction plan to address questions from the Commission during the technical hearings.

Q. What maintenance activities are anticipated after the project is operational?

A. Once the project is operational, access to the project's right-of-way is required periodically to perform inspections, conduct maintenance, and, if required, repair damaged equipment. Regular maintenance and inspections will be performed during the life of the project in compliance with applicable reliability standards established by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation, or NERC.

Q. Can you please describe the steps the Applicants will take to minimize impacts to roads and to traffic?

A. The Applicants are committed to minimize impacts to roads. Consistent with the Applicants' past projects

and the Commission's certification requirements, the Applicants will take steps to ensure the condition of roads impacted by the project is as good or better than before construction of the project started.

The project is not expected to cause significant or prolonged impacts on traffic in any one area because project construction will be spread out across the approximately 92-mile corridor and construction work will be completed over two years.

Temporary impacts to the presence of project-vehicle traffic are expected to be minimal because slow-moving construction vehicles are expected to be similar to the movement of farm equipment during planting and harvest seasons and are not likely to cause significant delays.

Temporary impacts to traffic are anticipated to be minimal during construction when conductor is being strung over existing roads. Where temporary road closures are required, the disruptions to traffic are anticipated to be short in duration. To the extent that temporary road closures are necessary, the Applicants will coordinate with the applicable road authorities and take steps to minimize disruptions and ensure alternative roads are available and clearly marked.

Q. Can you please describe the steps the Applicants

will take to minimize dust during construction?

A. The Applicants will implement a dust mitigation plan to minimize impacts during construction. The dust mitigation plan may include enforcing speed limits on gravel roads and/or the use of water or other dust suppression methods.

Q. What steps will be taken by the Applicants to minimize the spread of weeds during and after construction?

A. The Applicants have developed a vegetation management plan, which is included in Appendix F of the application, to identify and establish procedures to limit the introduction and spread of weeds during construction and ongoing maintenance -- and ongoing operations and maintenance.

Q. Thank you.

How do the Applicants plan to communicate with landowners crossed by the route during construction and reclamation?

A. Following the Commission's decision on the application, the Applicants are planning to send informational packets to all landowners crossed by the route that will include a copy of the relevant documents applicable to the project as well as contact information for members of the project team.

In addition, the Applicants will create and maintain an online map to communicate the status of construction and reclamation activities.

Furthermore, members of the Applicants' right-of-way team will continue to communicate with landowners crossed by the route during construction and reclamation activities so that landowners are informed as to when activities are planned on their individual parcels.

The Applicants are committed to communicate with the landowners crossed by the route for the duration of the project's life.

Q. Do the Applicants have a process for handling landowner concerns?

A. Yes. The Applicants will include contact information for a project representative and all applicable emergency services in an informational packet that will be sent to all landowners crossed by the route prior to construction. In addition, landowners have contact information for the Applicants' right-of-way team members if questions or concerns arise during the course of the project.

Q. Can you please briefly describe the environmental and cultural studies and surveys that the Applicants have completed for the project?

A. As Kevin Scheidecker testified to at the Commission's technical hearings, before the project route was selected, environmental and land use data was collected from various sources to conduct a desktop analysis to identify exclusion and avoidance areas, as well as analyze the Commission's selection and policy considerations.

After the initial data collection and evaluation, the Applicants performed field surveys to delineate wetlands, identify biological resources such as eagle stick nests, sharp-tailed grouse lekking areas, and evaluate the presence of threatened and endangered species and their associated habitat.

In addition, the Applicants have conducted a literature review including associated field surveys for cultural resources in coordination with the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Tribe.

Through this extensive effort, the Applicants have coordinated with numerous agencies such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the North Dakota Game and Fish Department, and the North Dakota State Historic Preservation Office on the Applicants' approach to and the results from environmental and cultural surveys.

The information collected from the surveys, in

addition to the coordination with federal and state agencies, were used to guide the development and identification of the project's route.

Additional information regarding the environmental and cultural studies and surveys completed for the project, along with the status of environmental permitting, is discussed in detail within the application, the Applicants' supplemental filings, and through the Applicants' testimony at the Commission's technical hearings.

Q. Will the project's construction, operation, and maintenance minimize adverse human and environmental impacts while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

A. Yes. As shown in the application, other filings, and through the Applicants' testimony at the Commission's technical hearings, the project will be constructed, operated, and maintained to minimize adverse human and environmental impacts while serving as a critical component in ensuring local and regional electric reliability for the combined benefit of customers and businesses in North Dakota.

Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?

A. Yes.

Q. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham, any questions?

MR. PELHAM: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock?

MR. SCHOCK: No questions, Your Honor.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: I do.

You had mentioned, and I think we've -- we've heard a lot this week, concerns about the roads, specifically dust. And I know you touched on that a little bit, but during your testimony you said that the condition -- that the company is committing to keep the condition of the roads the same or better. Can you give me more detail on how the company's going to ensure that that happens?

THE WITNESS: Certainly. So prior to construction starting, we will be working with the applicable road authorities to go out and look at these roads with the road authorities and, if necessary, take initial surveys of the roads with the applicable road authority.

As we go through the construction process, we will continue to ensure that the roads are suitable for the heavy equipment that's used for construction

activities and, as necessary, rebuild or maintain those roads as damages may occur. And throughout the construction process, we'll be monitoring that closely and making sure that the roads continue to be safe for operation.

After construction is complete, we will work with the road authorities to ensure that the roads are as good or better than -- we will be sure that the roads that were impacted by the project are as good or better than before construction started.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: And when you talk about, like, rebuilding and maintaining, is that something that the company would have to pay the cost for or would that fall to the local entity?

THE WITNESS: Those are activities that the project would be paying for throughout the construction cycle or construction schedule for the project.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. Has any of that coordination and discussions with the local entities on road use, has that started yet?

THE WITNESS: We have not started those conversations yet. In fact, the access plan that will be used for construction of the project is still under development. So we do not yet know which exact roads within the counties and townships will be utilized as

part of construction yet.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. I think all my other questions have already been asked and answered.

THE WITNESS: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: I'm going to continue off of that questioning regarding road use. You have said in your testimony and brought it up that the Applicant will monitor dust during construction and coordinate with local agencies. There was an expression -- or a comment made by somebody yesterday -- or Wednesday regarding that there's no local authorities that have that type of service.

So can you explain a little bit more on where you're going to get your water from if needed for dust mitigation?

THE WITNESS: Commissioner, as we talked about on Monday during the Ellendale public hearing, we do plan to have water trucks onsite to keep dusting under control. At this point in the construction planning process, we haven't yet identified where we would plan to get the water from.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: So the Applicant has water trucks that they could bring to the site?

THE WITNESS: The Applicant would be working with the construction contractors to ensure that we have water trucks available to keep dust under control.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Okay. Thank you.

I know you've talked a lot about the location of the transmission line, but I want to go through it just a little bit more, just individually. If a landowner requests that -- for a route adjustment, please explain the steps or variables that you used to consider if -- to determine if that reroute was applicable, be it still on his or her land or on a neighbor's land. So can you walk us through that, the steps and variables that you used?

THE WITNESS: Certainly. If a landowner proposed an alternative route, we would take that back within the project team, and the very first thing we would do is assess the route -- reroute and evaluate if it meets the Commission's siting criteria. We'd look at it from an environmental perspective and we'd look at it from an engineering perspective and identify if there's any fatal flaws with that particular reroute proposal.

As we evaluate that reroute alternative, we do compare the reroute with the original proposed route and look at factors of length, cost, environmental impacts, and making sure, again, that it meets the siting

criteria from the Commission.

If there's no fatal flaws identified as a result of our initial review, we would initiate landowner outreach to those landowners along the reroute. And from that point, we would determine if we would move forward with that reroute or keep the original alignment.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Okay. Thank you. I have no further questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you, Mr. Weiers.

We will now move to the public testimony portion of our hearing. Like with Mr. Weiers, if you want to offer public testimony, I'm going to have you come up and sit at the witness chair. I'll have you state your name for the record and you will be sworn in. At the conclusion of your comments, we will go around the room and see if there's any questions for you.

If you are representing a group or entity, please identify the group or entity so that we are aware of who you're here representing today. And if you have -- or if you are a landowner within the project area, please let us know that as well.

For those of you that have already testified at one of our public hearings, I'd ask that you limit your

testimony today to any information you have not previously provided. These hearings are part of one hearing -- or one case, so if you offered those comments already, they're already in the record and they don't need to be repeated today.

For those of you that haven't been with us for our first two public hearings, I'll just note that this is an opportunity for you to provide information to the Commission. It's not the chance to ask the commissioners or the Applicants questions about this project. If you have questions, those can be addressed to the Applicants at our breaks or after the hearing today. But this part of our hearing on the record is really for you to provide information to us.

I think I mentioned before, but I'll just state it again. If your concerns or information has already been provided by somebody that has testified already, there's no need to repeat that. You can just let us know that you have similar concerns or that you agree with that testimony today.

And, again, I'd ask that you try to limit your testimony to five to 10 minutes, in that ballpark, just so that we can make sure we have time to hear from everybody that wants to testify today.

So, with that in mind, is somebody willing to go

first this morning?

Good morning. I'll have you state your name for the record and spell your last name.

WAYNE WALD: Good morning. Wayne Wald, W-A-L-D.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Wald, did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury this morning?

WAYNE WALD: Sure did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And you understand what perjury is?

WAYNE WALD: Yes, ma'am.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

WAYNE WALD: Yes, ma'am.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

WAYNE WALD,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

WAYNE WALD: Good morning, Commissioners and staff.

I would like to request -- like you to request some clarification on this project and filing from OTP and MDU. Commissioner Christmann asked Mr. Weiers about double circuiting and if there would -- if they would come back to the PSC to do that. Mr. Weiers said the

application covered both.

Well, then shouldn't this be considered a 690kV line if there's going to be two 345kV lines on it? If I run two 120-volt wires to an outlet, I now have a 240-volt outlet.

How did the PSC approve the permit without knowing this?

Judge Hogan, I would like to address some concerns that have been taking place during the previous public hearings. Otter Tail's legal counsel objected to people talking about language in the JETx easement and saying it doesn't pertain to the case. Isn't that why we are here, to talk about JETx and the concerns of it?

Mike Brandenburg rambled on about other future developments pertaining to JETx and there was no objection, but when the public talked about future development pertaining to JETx, they received objection and were cut off.

Otter Tail's legal counsel questioned Mr. Weiers about his education, job history, and his business address. Does that pertain to the JETx project? Nobody objected or raised a fuss about that.

Is this a one-sided hearing or a public hearing?

On behalf of the people here, I ask we get the time and respect that we should be allowed. This is a

public hearing. This is our only time to be heard.

Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

I just want to address your concern, Mr. Wald. And I think the previous hearings I've allowed general comments about the easementing process. Really what I'm not going to allow to come into the record is testimony about specific provisions of easements or those contracts because the Commission does not have jurisdiction over the easements or that part of this project, so it's not relevant, and not aware if there's confidential -- confidentiality provisions, et cetera. So that will not be allowed today.

So, with that, Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham, any questions?

MR. PELHAM: I don't. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: No questions, Your Honor.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad?

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: I don't. Thank you, Wayne.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you, Mr. Wald. Thank you for going first.

Who would like to go next?

Good morning. I'll have you state your full name for the record and spell your last name.

Should have a green light when it's on.

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: All right. My name is Steve Schwarzrock. My address is 8870 39th Street Southeast Jamestown, North Dakota.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Can you spell your last name for me?

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: S-C-H-W-A-R-Z-R-O-C-K.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. And did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury earlier?

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: Yes, I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

STEVE SCHWARZROCK,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: Thank you for letting me speak and being here on this blustery day.

I come here somewhat as an orphan. I -- I am an orphan in this project. Excuse me. The line passes approximately 760 feet from the site of my home or approximately 830 feet from the center of the home.

It is my understanding, in meetings that I have been at and attended, the 500-feet variance measures from the center of the home. I do not quite understand that. So if the center of the home is 501 feet to the center of the residence, you only live in the half -- the other half. This is -- this is outside the -- this is -- I am outside of the variance. So I am -- I am not included in any -- any discussion. So I am outside of that state variance. That is the time, though, thanks to my township, Homer, has passed a 2,640-feet variance.

Now it is my understanding that with the Bill 1258, that our legislators, because they were afraid to allow the people they supported, supposedly represented, made their own decision, they passed the decision-making on to you. So I am asking, seeing as it is your decision, please to leave it to the -- our own townships to make the decisions on the variances.

Another -- another reason for my speaking before you is this fact that I have very marginal reception for my cell phone service. I do now have one that is reasonably good. I also have a satellite TV. And if -- if any of you have that, you know that southwest is the distance it is to -- is to face.

The JETx power line will be west and south of my residence and north and west of my residence. I also have a large WAPA line approximately a quarter mile north of my residence.

The research I could -- in research, I could not give a definite -- find a definite answer on the interference until the lines are in place.

I wonder -- I understand that there is a part in the document certification to order -- or originated in the '70s that can require the company to give some relief, but where it was implemented, it was -- it was expressed it took extensive -- extensive time and, I assume, treasure to resolve it because you cannot do something like that without a lawyer.

So now that you have the power of oversight and the town -- the variance, it seems to me that a 50-year-old variance law might need to be updated to local variances. If you do not have that authority, let us know and we will have to take -- take the case to the

November elections for the legislators.

I do have one other thing that -- and I'm sure it has been brought up, but I don't have any definite research on it, but land value is one of my concerns also just because of the situation in -- kind of in my neighborhood. Most of us that are concerned right there are small landowners. I have 25 acres. Some people have 10 acres. And the reason we're there is because we like to live in the country. And so possibly, if you ever wanted to resale the land, these added power lines could definitely make a difference as far as the value.

Another concern I have is that of hauling material, concrete, out and into the sites. I know that it was brought up at the previous testimony here, but the one thing that wasn't brought up is, in our area, each spring we do have what we call frost boils in the roads. And my concern is, is that with heavy equipment moving across those, it could get to the point where those boils would probably be unrepairable, that they'd be there forever.

In closing, I would like to make a suggestion, that these corporations be required to learn how to treat human beings. When they first started this project in 2023, they had a hearing in Jamestown that very few knew about. I did not know about it. They

then did some send out mailers for the Edgeley and the Jamestown meetings which I attended.

When I did attend those, what I saw was a very wide corridor, which he said was 14 miles, and there was no set path for the line. I went to those two meetings and did not hear any more or any mailers from -- from the Applicants after that so I assumed that it didn't concern me.

The next time I knew what was happening was at a township meeting in the summer of 2025 when I found out that the line was going to be approximately 800 feet away from my house, the center of my house. I realized that maybe they do not have to contact me as I am outside of the 500-foot-center-of-home state variance.

Would it have been that hard for them to stop by and ask me, "Steve, we are proposing to build a 345kVA line within approximately 800 feet of your home. Do you have any concerns we may need to address?"

So, yes, I am, in the current form that it is and variances, I -- I am against construction of this line.

And P.S., a big thank you to the staff members that I was able to talk to during this -- this ordeal. They were very accommodating. So thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham, any questions?

MR. PELHAM: Good morning, Mr. Schwarzrock. Thanks for your testimony.

Do you know the legal description of the property you own in Homer Township? The section.

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: I think it's section 23.

MR. PELHAM: Okay. And I think you answered, but I just want to be clear. Does the -- the proposed line, it does not cross any portions of property you own. It's --

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: No. No, it does not.

MR. PELHAM: -- adjacent to your property?

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: No.

MR. PELHAM: And as far as -- you gave two numbers. You said 760 feet from your home and then 830 feet from the center of your home. And I understand the 830 feet, but the 760 feet, where is that? Is that the edge of the property?

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: No. It's from the edge of my house.

MR. PELHAM: The edge of your house to the center line --

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: (Inaudible) proposed.

MR. PELHAM: -- of the proposed line? Okay.

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: I measured it out to the quarter line.

MR. PELHAM: Sure.

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: The line is --

MR. PELHAM: Forgive me, I'm a little bit slow this morning.

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: No, that's fine. That's fine.

MR. PELHAM: And so the -- and I think you answered the question too that I have, but if you could just make it clear to me, did you have any -- did the company ever contact you directly or were you the one that was reaching out to the company? I'm wondering what discussions you had with the company.

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: No, I was -- I was not. Like I said, I was -- did not know the line was going to be there until that 25th and -- or, I mean, this spring in 2025. And that was at that township meeting.

I did -- I did talk to the representatives, I don't see them here now, but there was, I think, two representatives from Otter Tail that were there. And I asked them a number of questions. That's the only contact I guess I had with them.

MR. PELHAM: Sure. And as far as your concerns, and you said today that you wish that they would have reached out to you and said, "Hey, we're building this line adjacent to your property, 760 feet from the edge, 830 feet from the center." What would you have told them? What are your concerns specific as to the proposed line? I know you mentioned the satellite reception and your -- and your cell phone reception. Do you have any other concerns?

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: That's my main concerns. Yes. Yes. No, I guess I don't -- I don't have any other. But that's a big -- kind of a big concern, if you don't have cell service nowadays, because, you know -- you know, a lot of -- I still do have a landline, but I -- I guess I'm referring to other people also, because a lot of people have just cell service and if they don't get --

MR. PELHAM: Sure.

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: That's my concern. Yes.

MR. PELHAM: Thanks for answering my questions. I don't have any more for you. Thank you.

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: Okay. You bet.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock, any questions?

MR. SCHOCK: No. I think they've been covered

by Mr. Pelham. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: No questions. Thank you for your testimony, for your concerns, and for the feedback on our staff. That's always good to hear. So thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Yeah.

You brought up the WAPA line. How close is that to your house?

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: It's approximately a quarter to a third of a mile north.

And as long as you ask that question, it concerns the roads. They're going to have to -- I don't know, I heard both ways -- go under or over that WAPA line. So there -- there's going to be more construction there because they're going to have to have more structures to be able to go over that WAPA line. So that -- that's one thing.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Okay. Thank you. I have no further questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you, sir.

STEVE SCHWARZROCK: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Who would like to go next?

Good morning.

JODI HAUGLAND: Good morning.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: I'll have you state your full name for the record and spell your last name.

JODI HAUGLAND: Jodi Haugland. Last name's spelled H-A-U-G-L-A-N-D.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury this morning?

JODI HAUGLAND: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

JODI HAUGLAND: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

JODI HAUGLAND: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

JODI HAUGLAND,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

JODI HAUGLAND: I wanted to follow up after Steve. Steve is a co-neighbor, I should say. I physically am impacted by this construction as I am,

according to the paperwork, 1,430 feet away from where the structure will be -- will be occurred at.

I have a lot of similar thoughts as far as his previous testimony, concerns of, you know, pretty much everything.

But I live physically, and I work physically, in my home which would be impacted by this power line. One of the things he brought up was with regards to the cell coverage. I have lived in my residence for 21 years, it'll be this year. Within the last two years, we finally have internet coverage where we can actually utilize -- we could stream a movie. We could do those things. And not realizing the impact that this -- if, you know, learning -- would have on that. Not only just the internet, but that's my work source, that's where I work from, and how that would impact many things. We have never been able to have any other sort of internet besides -- any ground or whatever because of the location where we live in. And so I'm just kind of throwing that out in the air.

As far as the impact for me, you know, I have 14 acres. Like -- like Steve said, we live out there for a reason. We live out there because we don't want the hustle and bustle of the in-town. We like it out there. The impact on our home, what is -- what is that going to

look like?

I am a single woman living there, and I'm going to have all these people coming right basically out my backdoor. My land ends right across. Like, I don't -- would have to phone a friend, but within feet of where it proposes going to be. So that's a big concern for me.

When we talk about the individuals that have signed easements or landowners, that of this or that, how many people physically live right there? My next -- my next neighbor, Ben, 500 feet -- 543 where his home is. He is a young gentleman in his late 30s, early 40s, with small children. How does that impact them? How does that impact the health?

Mr. Brandenburg -- or, excuse me, sorry, not Mr. Brandenburg. Mr. Westerhausen, in the Edgeley community, had mentioned the health concerns. Do we know what those are? What is the impact? He used terms that are way above my pay grade that I don't -- I don't get. Those are questions. But what is the health and the human safety of these lines right there? His children are going to live there. They're going to grow up there. There's family land there that has been there for many years. Extended family lives just right over next to them as well. What is the impact on them as

well?

As far as animals, pets, we talk about -- we talked about the eagles' nests. They're right there. They're in my yard every day. Not every day. The deer; came home the other night to 30 deer in my yard. How beautiful is that? That's why we live there.

The requests -- or being contacted by any of the entities has -- did never occur to me ever. As the only person who lives there, I got one random -- one random letter, just blanket -- looked like junk mail to me. I looked. It said JETx. I phoned, I talked to the neighbor like, oh my. And from that point on, we have advocated with our township, with Homer Township, to have discussions, have open discussions about things, questioning whether things are truthful or not. Not sure. Other landowners, other people that -- farmland right there, concerns.

I want to just touch quickly on the Bill 1258. We have our legislators within the general area, Brandenburg, Conley, Wanzek, Headland, are supposed to be talking for us, impact -- or helping us with our things, and at the end of the day coming to find out that this is for their financial gain, not for -- not for the landowners who live there.

The other couple of things that came out was the

insurance piece. If these break, fall, crash, is it up to the people that live there to -- to cover that? If it falls -- you know, they're pretty tall. Is it going to land in my land? What am I supposed to do with it? I'm supposed to pay more insurance to have that coverage, to have that taken care of? I don't think so.

This is a huge impact for the landowners. Huge. The area that it's coming through, right there, right by the river. I know you had asked -- there was a question about what the parcel or the numbers are. There's a parcel ID number, is all that I have. I'm sure I can go home and get my plat book out and find the details, but it's right there on the river, right next to the river, right next to the train tracks.

And so I just appreciate the time to share the impact that would have on me, my family, my -- my family for -- my extended family, of the neighbors that I live by. That's all.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: Thanks for your testimony, Ms. Haugland. As far as any contact at all with the company, did you yourself have any contact with any

representatives of the company?

JODI HAUGLAND: No.

MR. PELHAM: And you said you got a mailer. Were you aware, was it for like an open house?

JODI HAUGLAND: It was just a -- I don't remember the details of it. It was just a white sheet of paper and it had some words on it and JETx. There was nothing -- nothing that stood out like a logo or anything like that. It was just -- looked like -- like I said, looked like junk mail.

MR. PELHAM: Okay. And you mentioned a property ID number. Did you say that you had that with you?

JODI HAUGLAND: Yeah.

MR. PELHAM: Could you give that to us?

JODI HAUGLAND: Yes. It's parcel ID number -- it's 25-11-440-44. And I do have Mr. Schwarzrock's number too, if you would like that number as well.

MR. PELHAM: I think we have his section so we're okay on his. But thank you. I don't have any other questions for you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock, any questions?

MR. SCHOCK: I'm going to come up and open up the map book, and I think I know where you're at, but I want to make sure here, so just give me one second.

(Pause)

JODI HAUGLAND: So 38th Street is -- this is the river. This is the train track.

MR. SCHOCK: (Inaudible).

JODI HAUGLAND: Yep. So my land is from -- this is my house.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay.

JODI HAUGLAND: And I have the land to the corner, all the way from there to there.

MR. SCHOCK: (Inaudible).

JODI HAUGLAND: Sure.

MR. SCHOCK: (Inaudible).

So on that map in front of you, which is page 9 of 45, was that -- what's this thing called? Bates No. (Inaudible) 0011, so it looks like you're in section 11 of 139-63, and you are in the -- the house that's kind of circled with a yellow circle that is in the far southeast --

JODI HAUGLAND: Yes.

MR. SCHOCK: -- corner of that section; correct?

JODI HAUGLAND: Yes.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. I'm just going to make my note of that.

And you had said you kind of own that parcel down -- is it to the corner of that --

JODI HAUGLAND: To the -- to the corner. Yep. There's -- there's -- from 38th Street to the corner by -- almost to the train tracks there. And then there's a little -- there's a little parcel of farmland right there, right behind me.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay.

JODI HAUGLAND: And then after that, then it's -- Mickelson (phonetic) owns that land under there.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. That is helpful. I don't have any other questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Hi, Jodi.

JODI HAUGLAND: Hi.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Good to see you. It's been a long time.

You had mentioned -- and thank you for pointing out on the maps where you are. You had mentioned that when you're attending these township meetings, that you're hearing some things that you're still just, like, not sure about. Can you tell me a little more? Like, what specific outstanding questions on this project do you have?

JODI HAUGLAND: I have so many. But like I said, my understanding of a lot of this is -- is just in the beginning phases. I'm concerned of the impact that

it's going to have on the land, on, like, the mental health -- I'm going to throw that out there -- the mental health of everyone.

And when I look -- and I haven't seen this map this close up before, but looking at that, that -- my shop is, like, right there. It's, like, right where that line is. How is that going to interfere with all of the things that I have, like the computer stuff, the -- if something breaks, it's right there. What about the effects of that high voltage on the health of myself? But also all the cars and trucks and all the things that are building up there. The lights at the end of the night, the things that are -- like the buzzing, the noises, how loud is it really going to be? Do we really know?

Those are -- those are my concerns. And then the concerns of just the ability to have a say of, you know -- we as a township set -- we initially -- it was 500, I think, from 50 years ago. Then it was changed. Well, maybe this county can do a thousand. Maybe it's 1,500. Well, I'm in that. I'm under the 2,600. And it is so close.

And where it comes in, if you look at -- looking at this map, of all of our -- of our individuals who live, like, right, right there, is there a place -- and

I know they talked about -- sorry, Jill, I'm going off a little bit, but they're talking about, well, the owners don't want it there, the owners state they don't want it there. Well, what about us owners? Is it because we don't have enough land? Or why does it have to come here?

In looking and going to the cities all the time, I see all of them. They're on the interstates. There's just questions of, you know, at what point does the townships have the rights to make their own decisions without the interference, and landowner rights, and eminent domain. That's the concern. That -- those are the biggest concerns.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. And when you say your shop is -- is that, like, denoted as one of these white circles on the map or not necessarily?

JODI HAUGLAND: No. If there's another one on there that's not on there.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay.

JODI HAUGLAND: There's another larger one.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: There's a larger one. Okay. Those are all the questions I had. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: My question was

answered. Thank you for your testimony.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you, Ms. Haugland.

Who would like to go next? Come on up.

All right. I'll have you state your name for the record and spell your last name.

CINDY BURKLE: Cindy Burkle, B-U-R-K-L-E.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury earlier?

CINDY BURKLE: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

CINDY BURKLE: Yes, I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

CINDY BURKLE: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

CINDY BURKLE,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

CINDY BURKLE: Okay. I'm a resident of Homer Township also. I am directly a neighbor to Jodi to the west. If you want my parcel number, I will give it to you here. 25-11-430-40.

So in looking at this map, as previously indicated, what do you see? You see coming through this valley a consolidation of what, eight homes in this small, probably mile and a half area from north, south, east, and west. Very concentrated residential homes and families. This is not the appropriate place for this line. It does cross the James River, as we understood is being possibly maybe changed or redirected. As neighbors, we have a lot of concern, as they indicated, as our property values.

The issue here is not simply about infrastructure. It's about local control, private property rights, and democracy. North Dakota has a history for local decision-making and the respect for private property. Local zoning authority exists under North Dakota law to protect the health, the safety, the welfare, and the character of our communities. When those protections are set aside to benefit large corporations, public trust is weakened and the voices of the local citizens are diminished.

Residents of Homer Township, surrounding rural areas, have spoken clearly and consistently. Local zoning ordinances are not obstacles. They are lawful standards adopted by elected officials to reflect community values.

As stated before, property values. Our home is an investment. It's our life work and our legacy to our children and our grandchildren. Any permanent loss in value is real and unrecoverable.

We do have 10 homes in Homer Township that are under the 2,640-foot zoning ordinance. Ten homes. Now look at your map and count how many of those 10 are in this consolidated area. That is totally unreasonable for the route of this high-voltage electrical line.

As stated before, everyone is concerned about the health, safety, and environmental impacts of the high-voltage line.

Conflicting statements from Otter Tail Power representatives -- question what we have been told as stated before in other meetings Monday and Wednesday. The on and on offerations -- operations were not true. When assurances changes, confidence disappears. If a loaning -- if local zoning -- if local zoning and community -- I'm sorry -- community voices can be ignored when a developer asks, the local control becomes meaningless.

We respectfully urge the Commission to deny the request to override the local zoning and to stand with the residents of North Dakota who call home, the people that have trust in you.

I guess that's -- that's the best I have to say. Again, 545 feet to -- up to 2,575 feet in this small residential area.

This was originally proposed to be on the west side of 281. Who gets the right to say? There was resistance here. There was resistance here. When does our resistance in our community become priority? Especially when you are looking at the number of families impacted right here in the valley.

We were told at first that this -- that this noise from this line will be heard, this buzzing, under the right weather conditions, will be heard within a half mile. The representative is in this room.

I then brought this concern to Chris Koch at a zoning meeting in front of the Jamestown courthouse. I was not very happy. He then told me that he had talked to the person that had made that statement and he was -- that person was not correct. Well, he then further stated that what that individual meant was not a half mile. He meant you could hear it within one and a half miles. Now what did I just say? Before it was a half mile. Now he said you can hear it up to one and a half miles. That is a very conflicting statement.

I will not -- I have other things to go over, but they have been concerns of other testimony. And I

am open for questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham?

MR. PELHAM: I don't have any questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: Just like to -- if you can look at that map page that's in front of you that we were looking at with Jodi, I just want to try to find which dot is your home on this map.

CINDY BURKLE: Okay. Did you see where Jodi is?

MR. SCHOCK: Yes.

CINDY BURKLE: Right to the west.

MR. SCHOCK: You're the first one to the west, directly west of her?

CINDY BURKLE: Yes.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. That is very helpful.

CINDY BURKLE: House kind of up on the hill with a little dot.

And Mr. Koch also told me he had the opportunity to see how beautiful the back of our house sits. It sits on top of a hill and it overlooks this whole James Valley. He said that's a beautiful, very nice area,

very nice place to live. Yes. We have lived there -- or we've owned it for 29 years. We have put -- you know how much work it takes to establish a house, a yard, a shop. It is something that is so valuable to us. Now, can you imagine looking over that valley and looking at a bunch of electrical towers? Mr. Koch, has your opinion changed after this construction has taken place?

I guess that's all I have to say.

MR. SCHOCK: I don't have any other questions. Thank you.

CINDY BURKLE: Any other questions?

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad?

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: I originally had a question about some conflicting statements, but I think you went into that for us, and so thank you for that.

You had mentioned that you share some concerns and you didn't want to go -- or you had similar concerns to some other testimony that has been given and you didn't want to go into a lot of detail, and I appreciate you, you know, listening to what Judge Hogan said, but if you just -- so when I'm writing this down, like, high level, are there other things? Like, if you have it written down and don't want to read all of it, but if you say, like, "I have, you know, similar concerns to wildlife" or things like that.

CINDY BURKLE: Environmental, health.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay.

CINDY BURKLE: Property values.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Yep. Health, safety, property. I had that written down. Yeah. I just wanted to make sure I wasn't missing anything and we weren't cutting you off, basically.

CINDY BURKLE: Okay. No. I am fine.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: All right. No other questions. Thank you, Cindy.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: I have no additional questions. Thank you for your testimony.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Thank you, Ms. Burkle.

CINDY BURKLE: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Who would like to go next?

CHARLENE JUNG: I will.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Come on up.

Good morning. I'll have you state your full name for the record and spell your last name.

CHARLENE JUNG: Charlene K. Jung, J-U-N-G.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury this morning?

CHARLENE JUNG: Yes, I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

CHARLENE JUNG: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

CHARLENE JUNG: I will speak my truth.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Well, the truth as you understand it.

CHARLENE JUNG: Hopefully we match.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Okay.

CHARLENE JUNG: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

CHARLENE JUNG,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

CHARLENE JUNG: I'm going to take a deep breath. I invite everybody else to take a deep breath with me, to move out of our heads and into our hearts, because I'm going to speak neutral.

If you know anything about me, I am zero politics, but I have learned a lot in 2025 by attending these meetings and hearing adults speak. I was asked to share my expertise.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Go ahead.

CHARLENE JUNG: Thank you.

I rearranged my schedule to be here. I'm self-employed. I live on land that was in my family for over 100 years.

I work from my home. I help people move out of their head and pay attention to what their heart and soul are communicating to them. So it is my job, my passion, and my life for people to see the bigger picture of why we're here on earth. I'm not against making money. I want the two companies to be very wealthy. I want us all to be very wealthy. But this is a relationship and it's not starting out in a very loving, truthful manner.

I've attended a lot of meetings, and there's a part of me that I'm really trying to have stay in its seat because she gets pretty sassy because I can tell when people are not speaking their truth and they're trying to move through a moment.

I was contacted to speak about the health concerns of what -- the words that the first gentleman spoke. That's part of my job, is to read between the lines and to feel the energy of what people are really rippling out. He used the word "high voltage." Did any of you catch that? High voltage is not good for our

energy field. And that's why I was contacted.

But here's the scary thing. This is a book written by Captain Jerry G. Flynn, retired electronic warfare specialist. He worked with the top people in the United States and Canada. He became sick. He wrote a book. I highly suggest everybody in the state of North Dakota get this book, "Hidden Dangers of 5G."

But guess what? When I went to all of his recommendations, not just in the states, he goes country, a lot of these websites that talk about high voltage -- my very first example. 2010, U.S. Government agency admits power line EMFs pose serious hazards. That website's been scrubbed along with 75 percent of these websites that this retired warfare general was in top meetings, top, top meetings with the wealthiest of people, the top of the politician pyramid. He knows all sorts of stuff. Those websites are scrubbed.

So that's my first fact of what I do for life here on earth, is to point out the facts. Those websites were scrubbed. Why? If there's no danger to our energy field, to our health, then why take these down? Why are they gone? So I'm pointing out facts.

I live where these power lines will be. They are going to wreck our land. They are going to wreck our health. They are going to wreck the animals and the

water. We've already discussed all that.

But there are some other facts I want you to know. If a project, be it I create it singly or a government creates a new project, three things must happen. Resource of time. The resources must be there. Our resources aren't there. The water is going to be taken out, the land is going to be taken out, the air, the changing the wildlife. All of that is a big red flag for us humans to pay attention that this isn't the route, this isn't the way to do this.

This project was started in 2023. We don't live in that energy anymore. At the last township meeting, I was told that this project wouldn't happen until 2027. It was just stated that it's going to start third quarter 2026. This is premature. Premature. This -- this way that they are doing this is already outdated. Even Zuckerberg knows that. That's why he's making his other ways of feeding his creations with energy. This is already outdated material. They need to wait until 2027.

2026 is going to be a ride, people. It's going to be a ride for us to see if we're going to catch all of the red flags that the energy that makes our heart beat is trying to get our attention.

I have never seen -- I don't do this for a

living. So, first of all, thank you for what you do because this is life-sucking. Coming to all of these meetings arguing about something when everybody has their own agenda and they're not seeing the bigger picture. That is my job, to see the bigger picture. They are moving too fast in the wrong way of doing this or there wouldn't be this much pushback. If this was supposed to go where it goes, you wouldn't have -- JETx wouldn't have all of this pushback.

That's another red flag that we need to pay attention to. A higher energy is trying to make us pay attention that this isn't the way, this isn't the route, you guys could do better. "You guys" meaning humans in North Dakota. We're not like the rest of the country, so why are we trying to match that? You have lost the vision of people take care of people. We are brought here on this land to take care of it, not to wreck it, not to take it for its own uses when they're already outdated.

The health issues are going to be huge. Who's going to pay for those doctor bills? You're going to eat that hamburger that came from those power lines. You are going to drink that water that came from those power lines. It's going to be in the soils. This is not the route. This is not the way. There is better

information coming and we need to be patient.

It's my job to pay attention when people are talking. When you had asked about road construction, that gentleman coughed several times. He could not give a clear answer because it's not -- he's not getting clear information. And if you talk to any other county, what they were promised and what shows up, two different things.

Mother Nature. I don't care what power lines you put up, Mother Nature is going to do what Mother Nature does and nothing that humans create is going to solve that problem. So I have begged at those meetings that they let go of that reasoning of why they're doing this. Because when a power line comes down, I don't care, you can't get anybody power when Mother Nature takes over. So that whole thing about weather, of the reason for this, that's a red flag. We need to pay attention to that. Those aren't truths with a capital T.

What's going to happen when we don't have any more natural resources? What's going to happen when you have no more farmland? We need to pay attention to the bigger picture.

And is it true that three people have took over township choices? Did I hear those facts right? Is

that true, that three people have a say? I'm asking a question. Is that true?

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: As I stated before, this isn't an opportunity to question the Commission or the Applicants. That's not the purpose of public testimony. It's for you to provide information to the Commission.

CHARLENE JUNG: Okay. Well, I don't want to be caught lying, but I'm pretty certain that's what I was told, that three people -- I don't even know where they live -- can tell me and my neighbors what we can and cannot do on land that we pay for over and over and over and take care of.

So these are my truths that I'm asking all of us as a human to pay attention to, that there is a different route if we're willing to get out of our heads and back into our hearts and start caring about the bigger picture. Because there are health concerns. This is going to be life-altering and premature.

Those are my truths. Thank you very much for listening.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: Thanks for your testimony, ma'am.

As far as the property that you own, and you mentioned it, is it along the proposed route? Are they asking and seeking easements from you? If you could just describe that for me, please.

CHARLENE JUNG: I was contacted. At the time -- I believe now it's been changed a few times, but looking to the east, from the last I heard, it's going to be about a mile away from me.

So what I do and what I teach is to help people become quiet, and they come out to my house to do that. And now there will be beautiful power lines to accent my beautiful yard in quieting people's mind and stress and mental health, relational health, emotional health.

So they'll probably be about a mile, two and a half miles from the top of Ypsi Hill. So I believe it's on top of Ypsi Hill, is where it's going. So I'll see it.

MR. PELHAM: As far as direct communication that you had with the company related to this project, can you describe that? Did you talk to anyone? What was the discussion with the company that you would have had, if any?

CHARLENE JUNG: As the women, which I agree with both of the women before me so that's why I'm taking my spot now, I received a couple postcards. I was like,

what the -- threw it, because it was just a postcard. JETx. Remember, I don't do politics.

So then I talked to a neighbor and she said there was a meeting at the bunker and it was to send power to homes south of us. And her concern was "I don't want to hold up power from others." And I was like, "I don't either." But then I started to pay attention to people's conversations.

And when I finally called the gentleman, he assured me that, yes, it was for homes. But then attending meetings with the JETx crews, there was no real clarification on that. And then they had switched it back to the east side of our land instead of going down 87th.

MR. PELHAM: What township do you live in, ma'am?

CHARLENE JUNG: Homer.

MR. PELHAM: Homer Township. Okay.

And did you attend the township meetings then? Is that what you're referring to, or are you talking about the open meetings that the company had, or both?

CHARLENE JUNG: Township meetings I've attended and spoke at. That's where the sassy part of me would show up. I've attended to Ellendale meetings a few times.

Entirely too many meetings for me. I don't do meetings. I create peace of mind, peace of heart. This makes my heart pound the whole entire time, because it is a lot of untruths being spoken by people who say that they are taking care of us. And I can feel how untrue that is, that they're just trying to get through a moment and push this along. We can't push this along. We're jumping the gun.

MR. PELHAM: One of the things you said this morning, ma'am, was, you know, the third quarter 2026, start of construction, you had understood previously it was 2027. And I think you made a comment and you -- if I'm saying it wrong, you tell me I'm wrong -- 2027, wait until 2027. Why? Why is that important in your mind to wait until 2027 specifically?

CHARLENE JUNG: Thank you. That's a great question. Because 2026 is going to be a transformational year for humans, especially in the United States.

I don't watch the news, but the little clips I get, Minneapolis is showing you a preview of what 2026 is about. It's about waking people up, and not in violence ways. It's like, pay attention, pay attention, get out of the head and start looking at the bigger picture. 2026 is going to be chaotic. It's not until

2027 when -- when we step more fully into a higher frequency energy.

There are better ways to move power and they're pushing it through to make a buck. And it's -- there's going to be an easier way that doesn't use up our resources.

How big those holes are for each power line, that's atrocious. And then the granite, I mean the concrete that's being brought in, the water, that is not in alignment. If this was in alignment, things would be easier.

We each have 64 gene codes in us. They each have an archetype. Gene 10 is: easy is right. You cannot tell me that any of this has been easy. That's a big red flag that that isn't the right way. Because easy is right.

MR. PELHAM: Appreciate that additional explanation. I don't have any other questions for you right now. Thanks.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock, any questions?

MR. SCHOCK: Do you happen to know the section number that you live in within Homer Township?

CHARLENE JUNG: What is that relevant? I'm in -- I'm on top of Ypsi Hill. I don't have my legal

descriptions here. I have my license but --

MR. SCHOCK: That's okay. I was just --

CHARLENE JUNG: 23. I don't know.

What am I in, Darron?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible).

CHARLENE JUNG: It's what?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I call it the (inaudible).

CHARLENE JUNG: Yeah. Been there a hundred years.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay.

CHARLENE JUNG: Two and a half miles from Ypsi Hill this way.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. That will work. Thank you.

CHARLENE JUNG: When you look at the aerial, you're going to see a labyrinth there. That's my house. And a medicine wheel.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Christmann -- I'm sorry -- Kringstad. Was bound to happen at some point today.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: It was. That's okay.

Thank you for that clarification on 2027. I had that same question about waiting for 2027, so that was really helpful to me.

You had also said -- mentioned that what was promised and what's showing up are two different things. Were you talking about, you know, like what they're saying this is used for or the routes or -- I just -- I want to make sure that I -- that I'm understanding what you mean by that.

CHARLENE JUNG: At every meeting, I asked what this was for.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay.

CHARLENE JUNG: I was given kilowatts. And I said, as a business owner, I'm asking just dry bones, how many businesses is this for and how many homes is this for? Again, random answer. I know how many males I deal with in customers and I know how many females. Just -- it's a percentage. It's a number. That's all I was asking. But they give kilowatts and all that.

Clarification. What are these lines for? This is going to be a relationship that you want us to be in for over 100 years, and it's starting off with lies. That's not a good marriage.

I deal with a lot of people and couples. You got to get rid of the lies and you got to get in the present moment. They don't give straight answers.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: All right. Thank you. I don't have any other questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Just to expand on your statement that you just gave, is that an example of what you referred to as untruths?

CHARLENE JUNG: That I was given?

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Yeah. You just said what are these lines for, and you explained kilowatts or -- and then you -- prior to that you talk about untruth. You said the word "untruth" several times. Give me an example of an untruth that you're referencing.

CHARLENE JUNG: When I wanted to know how many businesses, they could not give me -- would not give me, at least at the one meeting, how many businesses this would be for, and if it was for Ellendale meeting, that big building, if it's for AI or any of that things that are coming. Just tell me if it is or it isn't. But again, if it is, that's outdated information and ways to get that matched.

These power lines, I feel, are outdated. They're not the right route to go. I feel that the words that they're using is untruth. But, again, like how I started this whole thing, my truth is different from your truth, my truth is different from JETx truth,

which is fine.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Okay. Thank you for the clarification. No further questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Great. Thank you.

We are going to take our morning break. Looks like it's 10:45. We will reconvene at 11:00.

(Recess)

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. My clock shows 11:00 so we're going to try to get started again, if everybody wants to make their way back to their chairs. And whoever would like to testify next, if you want to start making your way up, I'd appreciate that.

All right. Good morning. If you want to state your full name for the record and spell your last name.

Hang on, your microphone's not on. There's a -- it says "push." Try it again.

ALANA WAGNER: Alana Wagner.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Perfect. Do you want to spell it?

ALANA WAGNER: W-A-G-N-E-R.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Ms. Wagner, did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury this morning?

ALANA WAGNER: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

ALANA WAGNER: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

ALANA WAGNER: To the best of my knowledge and understanding, yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

ALANA WAGNER,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

ALANA WAGNER: Good morning, Commissioners, judge, and staff. My name is Alana Wagner and I am the daughter of Allen and Debra Wald, who are second-generation farmers, and the sister of Lucas Wald, a third-generation farmer who farm northeast of Edgeley in Wano Township. I apologize. I was working, and due to family obligations, I was unable to make the Wednesday meeting in Edgeley. I am sharing my testimony on behalf of myself, my five siblings and our children, my mother, and my late father, in opposition of the proposed JETx transmission line. If you seek understanding of our opposition, my testimony tells the story.

Several local landowners, including my mom, my brother, and their neighbors, and five local townships

have brought forward concerns regarding the proposed JETx transmission line, and there has been little to no acknowledgement by local district representatives or senators who seem to be representatives of the Otter Tail-MDU JETx transmission line and so-called green energy corporations instead of their constituents.

Recently, legislative bills have been proposed, and one specific bill, HB 1258, sponsored in part by local District Representatives Mike Brandenburg, Jim Grueneich, and Craig Headland, and local Senator Terry Wanzek, was amended to give the Public Service Commission authority to supersede the ordinance -- ordinances and zoning rules of local townships for transmission line projects and was passed and was deliberately made retroactive. This amendment was drafted to support a single project as commented on by Senator Keith Boehm at its legislative hearing in April 2025. That single project he's referencing is the JETx transmission line project.

To note, the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee gave a "do not pass" recommendation with a four to three vote, and two of the three "do pass" voters were bill sponsors Kessel and Patten.

Another noteworthy bill introduced shortly before HB 1258 in January 2025 was SB 2208, sponsored

again in part by Representative Mike Brandenburg and Senator Robert Erbele, was designed to penalize local governments by withholding funding if they oppose state-approved energy projects, and was defeated by a vote of 27 to 19 in February 2025 after intense public backlash.

In April 2025, the House Appropriations Committee, of which Representative Mike Brandenburg is a member, even attempted to sneak an amendment with similar language of SB 2208 into the DOT budget in SB 2 -- 2012. The Senate did not concur and that committee swiftly reconsidered and reversed that amendment.

Several ethics complaints have since been filed with the North Dakota Ethics Commission against Representative Mike Brandenburg regarding his legislative conduct in relation to his financial connection with local green energy projects.

I myself was at the State Capitol at the legislative hearing on HB 1258 back in April 2025 and witnessed Senator Wanzek comment that unreasonable setback rules threaten to shut down projects that benefit the whole state and this current situation allows a township board and just a few landowners to stop a major project.

To my understanding, and somebody can correct me if I'm wrong, both Representative Brandenburg and Senator Wanzek and their relatives have already signed up for green energy projects that rely on this transmission line and their potential financial gain is quite substantial.

Ironically, just a few politicians are doing everything in their power and anything they can get away with to ensure the JETx transmission line gets pushed through. This is clearly political corruption at local folks' expense when the North Dakota Legislature is privileged and trusted to safeguard public interests as is the Public Service Commission.

I have listened to the recordings of the Public Service Commission's working sessions regarding the certificate of public convenience and necessity for the JETx transmission line. It seems that this transmission line largely benefits energy developers by increasing so-called green energy capacity that can be transmitted to other states such as Minnesota and Wisconsin to help reach their green or renewable energy goals at ND ratepayers' and landowners' expense.

All the local benefits are if when and the sited benefit is getting local congestion out, an issue that currently does not exist and is largely contingent upon

how many so-called green energy projects tie into the JETx line. Landowner payments as a benefit is a moot point to those who are not interested in selling. So ultimately this transmission line will get paid for by local ratepayers, and so-called green energy for-profit corporations can capitalize on that infrastructure.

For example, NextEra Energy, from whom my mom has refused easement contracts, has a net worth of $168.8 billion and will capitalize on North Dakota state tax credits grants and subsidies and then sell energy produced to local utility companies.

Noteworthy -- noteworthy to me is Commissioner Christmann's dissent on November 20, '24, regarding Otter Tail-MDU's joint application for the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity that the JETx transmission line should be denied as the Applicants have not met their burden to show the necessity for this investment. It's too bad he is not here today because we would like to thank Commissioner Christmann on his stance.

At the legislative hearing on HB 1258, Senator Wanzek also commented sometimes the local folks go a little too far. What's too far? This is prime productive farmland that feeds our great state and nation. This land is local folks' livelihood and now

they are forced to try to protect it since they have lost trust in those that have the privilege of protecting and serving public interests, not private for-profit corporations.

The blatant disregard for private property rights and local government control and their alignment with corporate interests of our local senators and representatives is not only unethical, it is downright shameful.

The JETx transmission line is only the beginning. As you can see by these maps that locals have made by hand, data centers, battery storage centers, carbon pipelines, solar farms, wind farmers, et cetera -- wind farms, et cetera are the agenda. Taxpayers' dollars are going toward government funding for these so-called green energy corporations without proving to have substantial benefit to local communities.

The JETx transmission line is the key piece of the puzzle in bringing these energy projects to our part of the state. The only benefit Otter Tail-MDU have reported to the public is connecting the grid to potentially provide reliability such as during storm outages. Ironically, they already have a contract with Spiritwood Solar LLC, and several so-called green energy

entities have publicly announced their plan to tie into the JETx line.

Produce the data on revenue projections that this transmission line and energy projects will not only bring to our state during development but stay in North Dakota long term. Produce the data regarding taxpayers' dollars that will be used to start up and maintain these projects. Produce the data on cost of energy production to local ratepayers in relation to compensation or benefit. Produce the data that ensures this high-voltage line poses no harmful threats to people, animals, or the environment. Produce the data on how these corporations and the state government will respond when something catastrophic happens that contaminates soil or drinking water or harms people or animals or damages infrastructure.

I don't think a tornado is selective as to where it's going to hit, and these transmission lines are just as easy -- maybe not just as easily, but can be knocked over by a tornado.

Produce a plan of action of what happens when new technology becomes available and these project sites become obsolete and need to be decommissioned.

There is a lot of information that needs to be thought -- brought to light and taken into consideration

before this transmission line and these projects are expanded into North Dakota, our part of the state. We believe North Dakota farmland and ecosystems are worth protecting and preserving.

To my understanding, Otter Tail-MDU's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the JETx transmission line project with current proposed route was unlawfully obtained. According to filed court documents, Otter Tail-MDU attempted to use North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-03 first without direct notice to the affected townships and landlords and then imported that need finding in the Chapter 49-22, which is exclusive front-end siting and need framework for new 115-plus kilovolt transmission lines, a violation the Century Code forbids. Otter Tail-MDU did not follow lawful procedure that should have included mail notice, local hearing and reason finding prior to the PSC --

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, I'm going to object to this line of comment. This is regarding a matter that's completely separate from this proceeding. And as I've commented now numerous times at other public hearings, the North Dakota Supreme Court has held in 1983 that need is not to be a consideration of the Commission in siting proceedings.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: How much more do you

have?

ALANA WAGNER: On that topic, a few seconds -- or a few sentences.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. The Applicants' objection is noted. I will let you finish reading that. And the Commission will have to determine what relevance or weight to give those comments, if any.

ALANA WAGNER: Okay.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: So you can proceed, Ms. Wagner.

ALANA WAGNER: As you know, this violation of rights is currently in litigation in Burleigh County District Court. Litigation is a financial burden local landowners and townships would not have had to undertake if due process was followed.

Otter Tail-MDU thought they could steamroll this project with manipulation, harassment, and deception instead of following the law. Local landowners and townships clearly are not the problem and never were.

As a farm family, we are stewards of our land and it is our duty to protect it. We do not appreciate JETx project representatives harassing and deceiving farmers into signing egregious contracts that give them full control over their farmland for 99 years perpetual in which they can sell, mortgage, or sublease their

land, generational farmland that has been in many families for close to or over 100 years.

What other plans do they have for these easements? How do these easements affect landowners' property value, insurability, liability? Are landowners being unreasonable for signing -- refusing to sign these egregious contracts?

Otter Tail-MDU are heavily lacking transparency and credibility and it is evident that this project has been poorly executed from the beginning since they chose not to have an honest, open dialogue about the actual purpose of this transmission line.

Mr. Weiers just testified to the reliability of the grid and made no mention of green energy projects that are planning to tie into this land -- this line.

I have had the opportunity to review Otter Tail-MDU's memorandum in support of requests to declare local land use and zoning ordinances and regulation superseded and preempted.

At this time several local landowners have refused to sign easement contracts and five townships have denied conditional use permits. This accounts for 30 miles of the 90-mile proposed route.

In this memorandum, Otter Tail-MDU are claiming that the township setback rules are unreasonable. The

500-foot statewide setback rule for transmission lines was adopted into ND Century Code back on July 1, 1983. It seems reasonable for local townships to update their setback ordinances over 40 years later as technology has progressed. Enacting moratoriums seems reasonable to give townships the time to pause, react, and properly plan in the setting of unexpected and intense development pressure.

Have Otter Tail-MDU made efforts to discuss or negotiate setbacks with these townships?

In their memorandum, they state that rerouting around Willowbank, Wano, Russell, Corwin, and Homer Townships would be an additional 12 miles and cost an additional $24 million. While we do not agree that this transmission line is a public necessity, rerouting the line around those townships would be roughly a 5.5 percent increase in cost from the proposed 440 million. Does 5.5 percent seem unreasonable? Some businesses charge a 3 percent transactional fee to swipe a credit card.

Does shifting the route onto land of those who are in support of the transmission line or so-called green energy projects seem unreasonable? What other alternative routes have they pursued? They should have to investigate and exhaust every possible route before

even attempting to supersede and preempt local land use and zoning laws and forcibly take private property. Per their own admittance, they have not done so.

But, alas, HB 1258 came in timely retroactive fashion to save Otter Tail-MDU's day, giving the Public Service Commission the authority to supersede and preempt the ordinances and zoning rules of local townships.

Otter Tail-MDU have even insinuated condemnation and eminent domain if necessary to get their project done, but they must give just compensation so it's fair. What's fair or just about it?

It is taking away private property without proven benefit or necessity. It is taking away land that has been in families for generations, and even more importantly, the promise of generations to come. It is taking the blood, sweat, and tears that have gone into cultivating, nurturing, and sustaining that land. It is taking the hearts and souls of farmers, both past and present, who have dedicated their whole lives to that land. To my family and many others, our generational farmland is priceless.

As Senator Boehm commented at the legislative hearing on HB 1258 back in April 2025, every time we use legislation to push something through, we poke the bear.

And if it wakes up, the consequences will be far more dramatic. It seems the bear has been poked.

Public Service Commissioners, we ask that you please be diligent in your deliberation regarding Otter Tail-MDU's JETx transmission line siting application.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

(Applause)

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: While I understand this is a public forum, it's also an administrative hearing, so I'm going to ask everyone in the audience today to refrain from clapping and other comments. This is an administrative legal proceeding and those are not appropriate actions for this type of proceeding.

Ms. Furey, did you have any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions, Your Honor.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham, any questions?

MR. PELHAM: I do.

Thanks for your testimony, Ms. Wagner. We heard from your mom, Deb, and your brother, Lucas, already as to the property where the line is proposed to cross.

Aside from that, taking that aside because we've heard from them already, do you own any property aside from that, or have any interest in any property where the line is proposed to cross?

ALANA WAGNER: No.

MR. PELHAM: Okay. And you gave some testimony about the legislators. I'm just wondering what has been the dialogue that you've had? And I'm not asking about other people or what you've heard, but I'm just wondering if you've had any direct dialogue with any of the legislators that you've mentioned.

ALANA WAGNER: I did. It's been a while ago, but I did send email regarding HB 1258 to legislators just, you know, speaking my opposition and reasoning to it. And then I did speak with a few. A few -- well, just very few emailed me back; not even a handful acknowledged it.

And then I was at that legislative hearing and witnessed testimony and -- I mean, that's all recorded and whatnot.

MR. PELHAM: Sure. And I think you testified to kind of the response, but, I mean, is there anything specific that you receive specifically from any legislators as far as the rationale for how they were viewing this issue? If you can remember. I'm putting you on the spot a little bit.

ALANA WAGNER: Just -- just what I heard at that legislative hearing, I mean, just their testimony amongst each other at that -- on the legislative floor.

MR. PELHAM: Sure. Thank you. I don't have any other questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock, any questions?

Commissioner Kringstad?

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Just one. Since you mentioned the maps, I believe in Edgeley we saw the map on the left. Can you just explain, high level, what the one in the middle and on the right is? I just don't think we've seen those before.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Have you seen the first --

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: You can look, but when you tell us, you have to be in front of the microphone so we can hear you. Yep.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible).

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Sure.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: These two were at the Edgeley meeting here. This is -- this is LaMoure County. This is Dickey County. And this is Stutsman County.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. So it's --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Here's the JETx route, and here's the easements that have been signed. And we do have a legend here --

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- on what they are. Purple EDF Renewables, Blue is Invenergy, Green is (Inaudible). Am I saying that right? Yellow is solar, and pink is battery storage. We have them all color-coordinated.

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, since this wasn't included within Ms. Wagner's testimony, I do now, since it's been discussed and these maps have been brought up, do want to object to them being even included in the record on several grounds.

The first is that, as was just commented, they represent land use agreements with other entities regarding other projects that are not a part of this proceeding. Land use agreements are not relevant to the Commission's decision.

Just as the Commission excludes, you know, admitting easements and easement terms into the proceeding, these land use agreements should be excluded or representations of where they're located or what they might encumber should be excluded from the record for the same reasons. Again, they involve entities that are not the Applicants regarding other projects that are not subject to this proceeding that may or may not be built.

The second issue is that foundation has not been

laid for these maps. We don't know what documents were reviewed to make these maps. We haven't been provided any information that would otherwise allow us to validate the accuracy of the information that's been presented in them.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. The objections will be noted for the record. I think I have already allowed at least two of the three into the record. I don't know if we got the third one.

Mr. Schock, did we get -- I think it's Stutsman County we haven't gotten.

MR. SCHOCK: Correct.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: That's new today.

MR. SCHOCK: The first two we got in Ellen- -- in Edgeley, sorry, on Wednesday. But the third one, this is the first time we're seeing that one.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Okay. And at least my recollection from Edgeley, on one of those, was that they were put together by the Longs and they did testify that day. I think an explanation of the information contained in them was provided.

So I'm going to allow them to come in along with the other documents received regarding the public comment -- or public testimony handouts, and the Commission will have to weigh what weight, if any, to

give those documents with the understanding of how they were created and whether or not they're relevant to this project.

Commissioner Kringstad, any other questions?

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: No. Thank you for that clarification.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: I want to thank you for your detailed testimony. I have no questions.

ALANA WAGNER: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Great. Thank you.

Who would like to go next?

LEVI TAYLOR: Good morning.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Good morning. I'll have you state your full name for the record and spell your last name.

LEVI TAYLOR: Levi Taylor, T-A-Y-L-O-R. First name Levi, L-E-V-I.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And, Mr. Taylor, did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury this morning?

LEVI TAYLOR: I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

LEVI TAYLOR: Yes, I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

LEVI TAYLOR: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

LEVI TAYLOR,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

LEVI TAYLOR: For the record, I just want to state I'm not a landowner involved in this matter. I do serve on the Stutsman County Commission as the chairman, and I wanted to spend a few minutes just sharing with you the process we went through and some clarification on how we came up with our setback for high-voltage transmission lines.

So on August 19, our Commission adopted a 1,000-foot setback, and I wanted to just explain a little bit of the reasoning as to how we came up with that number.

So when we consider, if you will, structures that would support a transmission line that would be less than 345 that run through North Dakota -- for the sake of this example, I'm just going to use 75 feet as a -- as a number. I can't justify or clarify to you whether or not that's accurate everywhere, but for the

sake of the example, I'll just roll with 75 feet.

So when we consider 75 feet of height and the State Century Code of 500 feet, that's 6.67 feet of setback per height -- per foot of height of structure at 75 feet. So if we apply that same methodology of 6.67 feet to 150 feet, which from my understanding is the height of these structures that'll hold the high-voltage transmission line, that comes out to just a little over a thousand feet.

Listening through your technical hearings, I -- I feel like it was relevant that I share that with you guys because we don't really -- 500 feet is just this number that's out there. I don't know, back in -- I think it was 1980s that it was adopted, somewhere in there. I wasn't even born then so I don't even know what the rationale was or how they determined that 500 feet as a number. But given the little information we have on that, I felt like that was what I would consider a reasonable methodology to apply towards a different setback other than 500 feet that I personally don't feel is -- is unreasonable.

This morning when Mr. Weiers was up here, you guys had asked him whether or not their company, I mean Otter Tail, has gotten all of the conditional use permits that they need for this project, and his answer

was yes. But I will tell you that Stutsman County has not received a request for a conditional use permit from their company. And so I don't know as to why, I haven't had an opportunity to ask them, but I thought I would bring that to your attention.

And at this point, I guess I would stand for any questions that you guys might have.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: Can you just clarify for the record, when did Stutsman County adopt a requirement to obtain a CUP? Was it around the same time as the August 19th adoption of the thousand-foot setback? Is that correct?

LEVI TAYLOR: Yes, that is correct.

MS. FUREY: Okay. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham, any questions?

MR. PELHAM: I don't. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: So has Otter Tail had any discussions with Stutsman County?

LEVI TAYLOR: Yes, they have.

MR. SCHOCK: So did they show up to any of your meetings in the past, and if so, which ones? Just whichever -- whatever you are aware of.

LEVI TAYLOR: From my recollection, they were there very early in the process sharing information about the project, sharing any future meetings, scheduled meetings they were going to have. It appears kind of once we got into that August time frame, that we -- I mean, we didn't really hear much from them anymore.

I'm speculating the reason their -- they did not come to us for a conditional use permit was probably because we adopted that after they had submitted their route permit to the PSC.

But listening to the technical hearings, they did not -- from my understanding, did not file -- they did not file with you folks that our thousand-foot setback was unreasonable. They mentioned that it seems it could be unreasonable for future projects but not necessarily this one.

So I'm just failing to understand why they wouldn't come to us. And, frankly, I feel like it was a slap in the face. I feel like our county has been working with them. We've been going back and forth. And if there's any validity to some of the testimony that I've heard this morning so far, I tend to give it more weight in terms of them maybe not being transparent or easy to work with.

And, again, I'm not a landowner involved in this. I just sit on the commission. But I kind of took that personally, that they wouldn't come to us for a conditional use permit, given how we've worked with them so far.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. That's helpful.

I want to go back to what you started out speaking about as far as the setback of 1,000 feet and how you've kind of done this calculation of how you believe it's reasonable.

So just to make sure I kind of understand it correctly, so what you're saying is in about 1983, when the original setback was adopted by the Legislature, you're saying structures were, roughly, 75 feet tall. I don't think I would have any information to disprove that; I don't know if that's right or wrong. But we'll just -- for discussion's sake, we'll just say that's what was your starting point. Structures were about 75 feet tall. And considering a 500-foot setback, that is approximately 6.7 feet, I think you said, of setback distance per one foot of height of the structure. And if you apply that same 6.7 feet per one height of structure to the -- I don't believe 150 feet is the tallest height of the planned -- for these structures, but it's probably about an average roughly, applying

that same setback would be roughly a 1,000-foot setback. And that's where you're -- what you're saying is how you came to the thousand-foot setback for Stutsman County?

LEVI TAYLOR: That's correct.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. So I do have that correct. I just wanted to verify that.

I don't have any other questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Thank you for this insight to that setback. That's one thing I'm always curious about, is how that number is -- like, was arrived at. And so that was very helpful to me.

I do want to clarify to make sure I have the facts straight in my head. Did Stutsman County have a 500-foot setback and increase it, or was there no setback at all and you guys implemented a 1,000-foot setback?

LEVI TAYLOR: That is correct. From my understanding, we did not -- we did not have, like, a conditional use permit and there was not -- 500, we were going -- if nothing's listed, we revert to whatever the State's --

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. Sure.

And I'm reviewing in my notes, and if -- before I ask you this question, if you don't know the answer,

just say you don't know and that's totally fine, but the company did testify at our technical hearings, I have written down, that the current proposed route of the project happens to meet the 1,000-foot setback that Stutsman County has implemented.

Is that your understanding as well --

LEVI TAYLOR: That's --

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: -- to your knowledge?

LEVI TAYLOR: From the technical hearings you guys had that I listened to, I do remember hearing that. That is correct.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. And that's from -- like, from Stutsman County's perspective, you believe that that's accurate, that that's an accurate statement --

LEVI TAYLOR: Yes.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: -- from them? Okay.

Those are all the questions I had. Thank you for your testimony.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: I just have one. You said you're on the Stutsman County Commission; right?

LEVI TAYLOR: Yes.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Are you here testifying on your behalf or on behalf of the Commission?

LEVI TAYLOR: I'm testifying on my behalf personally.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Okay. Thank you. No further questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you, Mr. Taylor.

LEVI TAYLOR: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Who would like to go next?

All right. I'll have you state your name for the record and spell your last name.

IAN GILLEY: My name is Ian Gilley, G-I-L-L-E-Y.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury this morning?

IAN GILLEY: I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

IAN GILLEY: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

IAN GILLEY: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

IAN GILLEY,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

IAN GILLEY: So I want to start, I'm here on behalf of Tom Oakland, who's the Energy and Economic Coordination office manager for the North Dakota Department of Commerce, as well as Claire Vigesaa, the executive director of the North Dakota Transmission Authority. Those two organizations work together; Commerce looking to increase the business that happens inside North Dakota and the Transmission Authority working with transmission in North Dakota so...

Offer testimony in support of the JETx 345kV transmission project. This project provides for enhanced reliability not only for the Jamestown and Ellendale area, but completes a 345kV loop from Jamestown to Fargo to Alexandria to Big Stone to Ellendale and back to Jamestown. The configuration of a loop transmission line provides significant reliability improvements for every community along this path because it allows service to continue either direction from a fault.

The benefits of this high-voltage grid goes beyond Otter Tail Power Company and Montana-Dakota

Utilities. The high-voltage grid benefits Xcel Energy in the Fargo area, municipal utilities, as well as electric cooperatives in the region.

As North Dakota's agriculture processing sector thrives, oil and gas development moves forward, and our population grows, North Dakota is utilizing a greater share of its generation at home. Not many years ago, North Dakota exported 50 percent of its generation. Today, generation exports have dropped to approximately 30 percent. That's not a bad thing, but it does increase the value of transmission to North Dakotans.

I have a figure of production and consumption of electricity data in the following table.

MISO tracks North Dakota exports as shown in the graphics below. The first slide defines North Dakota exports and demonstrates the measure points in western Minnesota and northeast South Dakota. Due to North Dakota's economic growth, North Dakota is using more of its generated power domestically.

The second slide shows that MISO power flows since August of 2022 from east to west are slightly higher than west to east; 1,279 hours versus 1,899 hours.

While the day-to-day flows on the North Dakota exchange change directions, over the past three years

flows have gone either direction an equal number of hours approximately.

What does this mean for North Dakota? It shows that we are part of the greater grid and are benefiting from generation outside our state. Should an adverse situation occur with North Dakota's generation fleet, we depend on transmission flowing toward North Dakota. The JETx project improves the reliability for such situations.

Grid reliability is critical for the safety of our population, especially those on medical devices in their homes. Further, grid reliability is crucial for our ag processing facilities, oil and gas processing, natural security -- sorry -- national security like our military bases and sites, and our ag producers. Reliable electricity ranks right up there with oxygen, water, and food.

The way North Dakota produces and uses electricity is changing over time. From 1990 through 2007, our generation demand was nearly constant. Yet from 2007 onward, we have increased generation significantly due to wind projects. North Dakota generation increased 35 percent from 2007 to 2025. In the same time frame, our usage is on the rise, primarily with industrial and commercial development.

We support the JETx 345kV transmission project. The project will provide critical transmission services to North Dakota, improving reliability and reducing outage time. This project adds value to our natural resources while enabling future economic development for years to come.

Sincerely, on behalf of Tom Oakland and Claire Vigesaa.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: Just one brief question. Just so it's clear for the record, are you appearing or are you affiliated with the Department of Commerce?

IAN GILLEY: Yep.

MS. FUREY: And so that's how you --

IAN GILLEY: Yep.

MS. FUREY: -- came into these comments? Okay. Thank you.

IAN GILLEY: Yep.

MS. FUREY: Appreciate it.

IAN GILLEY: Bad weather out of Bismarck this morning.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: Thanks.

Mr. Gilley, what's your title at the Department

of Commerce?

IAN GILLEY: I'm an energy innovator fellow.

MR. PELHAM: And as far as the material that was provided, is this prepared jointly with the Department of Commerce and the North Dakota Transmission Authority?

IAN GILLEY: That's correct.

MR. PELHAM: Or who -- who actually prepared it, if you know?

IAN GILLEY: Both of them together.

MR. PELHAM: I have no other questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock?

MR. SCHOCK: No questions, Your Honor.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad?

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: I don't have any questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: No questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

IAN GILLEY: Thanks for your time.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Who would like to go next?

All right. I'll have you state your name for the record and spell your last name.

DAN INMAN: My name is Dan Inman, I-N-M-A-N. I am with Minnkota Power Cooperative.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And, Mr. Inman, did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury this morning?

DAN INMAN: I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

DAN INMAN: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

DAN INMAN: I will.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

DAN INMAN

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DAN INMAN: One sec.

Commissioners, thank you for the opportunity to provide comments today. As I mentioned, my name -- my name is Dan Inman. I am the senior vice president of Power Delivery and chief information technology officer at Minnkota Power Cooperative. I'm also accompanied by Will Lovelace, Minnkota's engineering supervisor and subject matter expert in transmission planning.

Minnkota Power Cooperative is a generation transmission cooperative headquartered in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Minnkota is owned by and provides wholesale power supply and transmission services to 11 member-owner distribution cooperatives serving rural communities in eastern North Dakota and northwestern Minnesota.

Minnkota's primary source of electric energy is from the Milton R. Young Station located in Center, North Dakota. To deliver power from our generation resources to our members, Minnkota owns, operates, and maintains a robust transmission system that includes 3,388 miles of transmission line and 265 substations. This transmission infrastructure covers areas stretching from western North Dakota to easternmost member-owners in the northwestern parts of Minnesota, including a major high-voltage corridor such as a 345kV line that runs parallel to I-94 from Bismarck to Fargo, and it interconnects with Otter Tail Power's Jamestown substation. While the JETx project is a MISO transmission line to be owned by Otter Tail Power and Montana-Dakota Utilities, it is located within Minnkota's footprint and interconnects with our system.

Minnkota is not a MISO member, but we are a MISO market participant, and due to our interconnected system

with our MISO neighbors, we coordinate with MISO on transmission planning and reliability functions. In addition, Minnkota pays its share of the regional transmission upgrades like JETx based on the utilization of those assets.

From our perspective, the Jamestown-to-Ellendale line represents a thoughtful regional investment that provides measurable benefits to the broader transmission system. Minnkota supports the construction of the project.

One of the primary benefits of the Jamestown-to-Ellendale line is the improvement to regional reliability and system resiliency, particularly in the Jamestown area and central North Dakota, but with those benefits -- but with benefits extending across the broader region. This area has experienced several significant weather events in recent years that have placed stress on the transmission system.

During the winter ice storm in December of 2023, as well as severe weather storms in the summer of 2025, both in June and August, the Jamestown area experienced outages that resulted in the system being electrically islanded due to transmission system damage sustained during those events. These situations highlight the value of having additional transmission pathways

available to support the load, facilitate restoration, and provide operational flexibility during extreme conditions. The Jamestown-to-Ellendale line enhances grid resiliency by strengthening connectivity and reducing dependency on a limited number of transmission paths.

The project also delivers transmission -- excuse me. The project also delivers transmission congestion relief and other economic efficiency benefits such as deferral of other transmission upgrades within the region. Transmission constraints can limit the efficient generation of flow of power across the region, which can lead to increased costs and reducing flexibility for utilities and consumers alike. By reinforcing the transmission network between Jamestown and Ellendale, this line helps to relieve congestion, reduce constraints, and improve overall system performance. Over time, these improvements can contribute to more efficient market outcomes and help moderate the congestion-related costs.

From Minnkota's standpoint, this project also reflects the value of regional collaboration and coordination among utilities. While Minnkota is not a MISO member, we actively participate in the MISO system and work closely with our neighboring utilities to

ensure reliable, efficient operation of the transmission grid. Investments such as this one demonstrate how coordinated regional planning can deliver shared benefits that extend beyond individual utility footprints.

In summary, the Jamestown-to-Ellendale transmission line represents a prudent regional investment, enhances reliability, strengthens resiliency, and improves overall efficiency of the transmission system. By providing additional transmission pathways, reducing congestion, and supporting coordinated regional operations, this project benefits not only North Dakota residents in the MISO market but consumers and utilities across the broader region. Minnkota believes this project advances the long-term interest of the electric grid and supports a more reliable, resilient, cost-effective power system for the communities we serve.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments today.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham?

MR. PELHAM: Yeah. As far as any role that

Minnkota Power Cooperative has in the proposed JETx line, is there any direct role that it plays?

DAN INMAN: No, not that I'm aware of.

MR. PELHAM: So the testimony here today -- and obviously you just read it and we have it. There is not any direct investment or any type of coordination between Otter Tail, MDU, the JETx project, and Minnkota Power Cooperative; correct?

DAN INMAN: No. We'll be impacted by it once it is constructed, but no actual cost except for the costs as we would pay for any MISO services associated with what -- with what we would use.

MR. PELHAM: Thank you, sir. I don't have any other questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: What do you mean by you will be impacted by it once it's constructed?

DAN INMAN: We'll also benefit from that in the event that we have some severe storms, referencing back to the storms that occurred last summer. When we actually went down, for example, the 2023 storm, Jamestown was islanded for about 34 hours; June of -- 20th of 2025, about 29 hours; and then in August it was 24 hours. That impacts our membership as well.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. Thanks for the

clarification. No other questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Just a couple.

You'd mentioned a couple times in your testimony about like this project providing additional transmission pathways. Are you talking about -- is that another way of referencing like a transmission loop you hear about sometimes?

DAN INMAN: Yeah. I think the person before us was talking about the long-term plan for that.

For us -- because we are interconnected to the Jamestown line. So we've got one line that comes into the Jamestown substation at the Otter Tail facility and another line that goes out towards Fargo. So from Bismarck to Fargo, having that additional 345kV line will give us another path. So say, for example, the line to Bismarck goes down, I still have redundancy as it relates to coming up from Ellendale over to the Fargo area and still meet my memberships' needs.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Sure. I'm going to put you on the spot a little bit here because this is -- one thing I found working in this industry, it's very highly technical and so I always like to pick people with more of an engineering background to try and get them to explain a very technical engineering concept maybe like

in layman's terms to someone like me who's not an engineer.

So when we talk about like these additional lines or like a transmission loop, can you kind of bring it down a level to like what a transmission loop is and then how having one in a system impacts reliability?

DAN INMAN: Great question. Let's see if I can paint the picture.

So if you think about a loop and on that loop you would have multiple different substations. So as you got different segments on that substations, you're going to have different interconnection points at each one of those nodes, for lack of a better term. So as one segment goes down, you have reliability from the other segments.

Now if you have multiple different segments, you're hoping that you're going to have an infrastructure that can support that too outside that loop that's feeding that loop. But it gives you more reliability if you do have weather-related issues, anything related to equipment failures, or anything like that. You're just going to be able to maintain power throughout that coordinated control loop.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Sure. Because, like, power can flow both directions --

DAN INMAN: Correct.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: -- yes, on a line; right? Like that's kind of another important piece to this. So like if we just have a line that is straight and goes here to there, line breaks or goes down for any reason, there's no way for power to flow anymore; right?

DAN INMAN: Not unless you have that loop that's going to connect the other end.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Right. So if you have a loop now and part of your -- made up of however many lines, two or three lines, one of your lines goes down so you can't go this direction, you can flow power the other direction --

DAN INMAN: Correct.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: -- and still maintain reliability to that; correct?

DAN INMAN: That is correct. Yes.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. Thank you for that explanation.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Thank you, Dan. I have some questions regarding the RTOs.

DAN INMAN: Okay.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: You indicated in

your testimony you're -- Minnkota is not a MISO member, but we are MISO market participants.

DAN INMAN: Correct.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Do you want to define that more on what that means as a MISO participant?

DAN INMAN: So we have access to the transmission lines of MISO members, for example, Otter Tail, and we're able to utilize those services. There's a fee that we'll have to pay for the use.

Minnkota has enough generation and transmission supplies to meet our members' needs. If for some reason something went down on our system, then we'd have to pay somebody else to actually have some of that transition of the power to get to that membership for whatever the cost may be.

I might actually get you a better answer if I pull Will Lovelace up here too. He might have a better explanation for you.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: No. That's fine.

DAN INMAN: Okay.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Minnkota is a member of SPP; right?

DAN INMAN: No. We're a member of -- well, we're a member participant of MISO. They are our

reliability coordinator.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Okay. You explained it as far as -- so when the tranches were being discussed, as a MISO market participant, you had some input into that, or you do?

DAN INMAN: I believe we were able to see what was discussed and we supported the plan as it related to the tranches. Again, my transmission planner would probably have a better answer for you that would be more accurate.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: I mean, I'm fine. But as being a participant, you do have some --

DAN INMAN: So when MISO is doing a study that could impact Minnkota systems or Minnkota is doing a study that would impact other MISO members, we work together to ensure that the impacts are limited, so that they're low.

Now, if there is going to be an impact, for example, there's a line that's going in that would impact our system, then we want to look at what upgrades we might need in order to meet the necessities of those systems that are bringing more load online, more generation online.

So we are intertwined, if you will, and we do participate with -- with MISO's transmission planning

group.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Okay. I have no further questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you, Mr. Inman.

MR. INMAN: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Who would like to go next?

All right. I'll have you state your name for the record and spell your last name.

LEON WESTERHAUSEN: Leon Westerhausen, W-E-S-T-E-R-H-A-U-S-E-N.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury this morning?

LEON WESTERHAUSEN: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Do you understand what perjury is?

LEON WESTERHAUSEN: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

LEON WESTERHAUSEN: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

LEON WESTERHAUSEN,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

LEON WESTERHAUSEN: I've been taking notes throughout the hearings here today and other hearings. I've mentioned -- I spoke at the other two hearings and I was in attendance at the technical meetings.

The wind storm -- ice storm of December '23, it was mentioned that large-load customers had to be curtailed due to the power failure coming from the west. In my research, Jamestown uses 30 to 35 megawatt. The peaking plant on the east side of Jamestown, which I believe was put in place to ensure Jamestown power in case of an event like this, produces 40 to 45 megawatt. The Great River Energy power station at Spiritwood is 99 megawatt. It's very close to Jamestown on the east side.

Energy flows east to west. As part of the testimony here today, the line they're putting in will flow north to south, connecting Jamestown to Otter Tail -- or to Ellendale.

My question is, if Jamestown uses 30 to 35 megawatt, the peaking plant produces more than that, and just east of that is 99 megawatt, could it be coincidental that the data center north of town, Jamestown, according to Victor Schock, is permitted for

80 megawatt? Was that the load -- high-load customer we had to curtail? Why were the smaller loads curtailed? That should have had enough power.

And if we get power from the east or from the west -- I'm not an electrical engineer, but I've worked with electricity, both in the auto industry and home wiring, worked as an apprentice electrician, that if we had power coming from the east, it would flow until that bridge broke in the road. So (indiscernible) speaking, you have a break this big, the flow from the west cannot cross it, the flow from the east cannot cross it. If the flow was blocked from the west to Jamestown, could not power be purchased from the east to power it?

A transmission line is very similar to a road. A road does not connect Jamestown to Ellendale going south without connecting it going north. Therefore, again, it can move from either direction.

Interstate 94 was installed to connect several states together on a major highway network. I-29 was made to go from north to south. Now, if you didn't have any roads connecting to Interstate 94 and you didn't have any roads connecting to I-29, would you have a need for an interstate connection?

Reliability and strength is what it's all about, they say. You can provide a little more reliability in

giving it another route, but you can't build strength without adding generation.

Brandenburg spoke in Edgeley of future projects coming that are going to require more load. You're moving electricity. You're not increasing availability.

This project came in front of us in '23. But in Edgeley I testified that Tranche 1 was in the planning 20 years ago. Why was the information kept hidden until now?

We cannot talk about new generation coming along because it's not part of this particular project when, in fact, it really is. Because once you get through the surface, it's not about moving power north and south. It's about taking clean energy to the MISO grid.

In that testimony I gave the other day, it was a sheet of paper that I got off the internet that had Otter Tail across the top and went on to discuss that information, and it said it was -- this Tranche 1 was to help make Minnesota 100 percent carbon free by bringing clean energy out of the Dakotas.

I understand the people that are for it telling us and the people in front of me that it's reliability. I believe that's just a smokescreen. Because I've had children grow up, no longer living at home, but I remember when they were ready to get a driver's license,

they offered, "We can haul the other kids to practice, we can run errands, we can pick up your groceries." And we all knew that really wasn't the real reason. And it was proven when they came home seven hours later with an empty tank of gas. They didn't just go to the grocery store, and the excuse was to go see friends and hang out.

So I think a lot of this power that we talk about does have something to do with the line. And that's as much as I want to continue on that one and I want to move on to another subject.

They talk about they'll do all the required maintenance that is needed. When I think of maintenance, which I've been involved with my whole life, required maintenance is to keep everything you're working on at peak performance.

I started in the auto industry. A tune-up back in the '60s and '70s was to put in new sparkplugs, condenser, and points. When I went to college, and I'd been working on things before I went there, the instructor asked, "What is a tune-up?" You'd be surprised that about 90 percent of them said plugs, points, and condenser. He said, "No. A tune-up is returning it to the original peak performance that it was designed to do."

And then I hear in these meetings some of the reason the line went down was an old, aged line that was deteriorating. Seems strange. If they're doing all the maintenance required, that line should be in the same shape it was when they built it. Everything should be repaired as needed. If they're not repairing it as needed, it brings in another safety concern.

Give me some time. I didn't have time last night to write this up. I'm working from notes. I had to take my wife to the emergency room.

We talk about EMFs. I brought it up previous. I'd like to touch on that a little bit more. They have a chart in the -- in the little book there that shows the EMF level of their power line, and then they compare it to the EMFs of things like radios, microwaves, et cetera. My microwave -- our microwave, in most instances, probably don't see five minutes a day. The EMFs from the voltage line is 24/7. The leases are 99-plus years. Long term versus short term. Don't see studies really based on that.

And one thing, when I was studying these EMFs, there are people that are hypersensitive to these EMFs and develop other symptoms as well. EMFs get stronger based on voltage and power. The higher the voltage, the higher the EMF level. There's no study that says this

specific EMF level is safe. There are studies that say EMFs don't cause it, EMF does, back and forth, but there's never been a study that says this particular amount of EMF is safe.

I'm a township supervisor, recent township supervisor. I take that position quite seriously. I feel my job as a supervisor is to work with the citizens that reside in the township. And I listen to their concerns. I've called them, talked to them. Don't get all of them. I've asked them to come to meetings. They've showed up. I think local governing at a township level, county level, city level is about the people that reside in their governing zone. We have to do whatever it takes to try and make sure that their safety and their concerns are reasonably meant -- reasonably met.

Originally the plan was put into place and it said that they would work with all of the applicable entities. 1258 came across and gave the PSC total control of siting for a transmission line. It was brought up after -- introduced after there was some opposition and retroactive, trying to prevent any new opposition to interfere.

When I look at 1258 -- and I was at the committee hearing. I was at the Senate vote. I asked

our senator for District 29 if we could get a no vote from him. He told me he couldn't help me. I think that's quite a bit of difference in the two people. I, as a county -- or township supervisor, am there to serve the people of my township. I believe the senator should have been there to serve the people of his district.

I have mentioned other routes going through Winfield and Ypsilanti. Levi Taylor says it does not impact his land. That's because it doesn't go through Ypsilanti Township. There's a considerable amount of land in Ypsi Township that is owned by the Headlands, the Wanzeks, and Levi Taylor. Is that why it doesn't go through Ypsi Township? Winfield and Ypsi Township has less constricted areas of residencies.

It -- the two townships -- I see it, the two townships are directly below the Spiritwood power station, which this line is going to connect to. And I believe the shortest distance is a straight line.

Mr. Headland, at a town meeting, said they can't zigzag all over the place to go around people. You can look at the map. There's a lot of zigzags. You drive to Minneapolis, they switch the sides -- side of the road, they go around the on and off ramps. I think they can zigzag a little bit.

They say it's 12 miles extra to move it. I

think it would have been no extra miles if they'd have put it there in the first place. It seems kind of odd that you would zigzag to the west to go through a more populated area and then farther south, zig back back to the east. Adds miles. And why would you go to a congested area if you didn't have to?

I have here one of the pages. Victor Schock handed them to me at the technical meeting. Earlier in the meetings, Chris Koch said he couldn't go -- they couldn't -- they had to turn it down, they couldn't go south because of Indian artifacts. Indians lived here a long time. I don't think there's anywhere in North Dakota you couldn't find an Indian artifact.

Levi Taylor, when I talked to him, he said it's Fish and Wildlife easements. When we checked with Fish and Wildlife, they said they work with them.

But in Otter Tail's project planning, it lists Homer, Winfield, Ypsilanti, Corwin, and Montpelier Townships. Multiple route alternatives that would avoid Corwin and Homer Townships were reviewed due to proposed changes to local ordinances. These route alternatives were rejected after being denied right of entry on the new parcels that would be affected. These route alternatives would shift impacts to new landowners.

I don't see anything about Indian artifacts or

Fish and Wildlife easements.

In the meeting today, I found something that gave me a little bit of a chuckle. Stutsman County set their setback at a thousand feet. Got a description that it was based on the height of the poles and 6 percent of whatever, per foot or whatever; went from 75 to 150 feet. A little simpler math would be they doubled it due to the doubled size of the pole, 500 to 1,000, because the pole is two times higher. But what I found to be a little peculiar in that is they based it on pole height. I think when you think of safety, you should base it on the voltage, the power of the current.

I have one other final thing to add and it's on 1258. If our legislators and senators propose a bill to override the local township zoning, county, city, after the fact of a project being introduced, will they do it to future projects? Will the townships, the counties, and the cities have anything to say about other projects that affect their -- their area?

I just thought of one more and I want to get it in. And a lot of people are probably going to say it has nothing to do with it, but listen and weight it.

Not too many years ago, when you consider the length of the world in the time that we've been here -- what is it, a little over 200 years that we've been the

United States of America, 250, I believe -- the settlers, with the help of the government, proceeded to take land from the Native Americans because they felt they had a much better need for it. We've done the same thing with minority groups forever. When somebody decides they have a better need for something, they feel they have a right to take it.

I purchased -- I -- we purchased our property in 1995. The house had been vacant for 14 years. It's a full two-story house, square. The barn was leaning to one side and would rock in the wind. When we drove out to look at this property that we'd been looking for -- because we wanted to get out in the country. My wife wanted to do some cattle ranching; never worked out to be a big ranch but she still has cattle, raised very good, quality beef. She weans them in October, 700 pounds. Others sell them in January at 570.

When we drove out there, we noticed there's hardly any poles. Power lines are buried. I looked at my wife and I said, "I don't think we have to worry much about storms out here. The power is all underground." And we've had very reliable electricity. We had reliable electricity through the December storm. We had reliability through the summer storms of '25.

We've remodeled the house. We built onto it. I

straightened the barn and braced it. We had it re-sided and a new roof put on it. I made and installed all the windows. And we've made this our place till we die and pass it on to our children and grandchildren.

But if we're going to let these things come in, shrink our environment, our dreams and wishes are down the tube. We won't be able to go outside and listen to the crickets cricket -- chirp, that is. We won't be able to listen to the frogs croak. And I don't mean die.

I drive a convertible as much as I can. I've got three of them. The best time to drive a convertible is morning and night. When the sun's going down, you get to hear all this. In the morning you get to hear all the birds. You really think I want to go driving along the road and listen to the lines crackle?

The noise that these lines produce are based on dust, snow, rain, humidity. As you increase the humidity, the noise gets louder, evenings when the humidity rises, the dew. In the summertime when the winds are blowing and the road dust and field dust is blowing, lines increase in noise.

We've asked for 2,640 feet in Corwin Township. It was done before I was a supervisor. But these people took a lot of time and they considered a lot of

considerations. They started with a mile. They tried to work with Otter Tail with 2,640 feet.

I think that -- we don't have the control because it's been taken away from the local townships, but I would ask the Public Service Commission to consider highly the decisions of the townships.

Give me just a second. I lost my train of thought here for a second. I'll try to get it back.

I don't know if I mentioned at the technical hearing, the Applicants asked to scratch a line in the original planning -- project plan, and the line was about working with the applicable utilities and listed the townships and whatever. And they wanted that scratched because 1258 overrode that. And now when they speak, they say they'll work with all the applicable entities, which means to me they're only willing to work with the PSC.

I thank you for your time. I thank you for all the opportunity to share input. And I ask you to do the right thing. God has always put it in our hearts and instilled on us that we know right from wrong. So I trust you in doing the right thing.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: Thanks for your testimony today and the other two hearings, sir. I don't have any questions for you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: Good to hear from you again, Leon. No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: I don't have any questions because I think you clarified it when you were talking, when you said you were the township supervisor. I just wanted to verify that that was for Corwin Township, but you answered that later on.

LEON WESTERHAUSEN: And I'm not representing Corwin Township. This is me.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Sure. Yeah.

And, you know, we don't give out a perfect attendance award, but if we did, it would have your name on it. So thank you for being part of our process.

LEON WESTERHAUSEN: It doesn't come easy, but you have to do what's important.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Thank you for

being at all our hearings and I wish your wife all the best.

LEON WESTERHAUSEN: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Can I have -- whoever wants to testify, can I have you raise your hand just so I can see how many more we have?

Given the number of people that we have yet, I think we're going to take a lunch break and come back after lunch. All right. We're going to break and we will reconvene at 1:00. All right.

(Recess)

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. All right, I think we are going to get started again. We will continue with public comment.

And thank you. I don't have to ask anybody to come forward. So I'll have you state your full name for the record and spell your last name.

LUCAS WALD: Lucas Wald, L-U-C-A-S, W-A-L-D. I'm here on behalf of Wano Township. I'm just going to put some --

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Hang on. I'm going to swear you in, just in case there's questions or whatever.

LUCAS WALD: Yep.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury?

LUCAS WALD: Yes, I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

LUCAS WALD: Yes, I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

LUCAS WALD: Yes, I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead, Mr. Wald.

LUCAS WALD,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

LUCAS WALD: Okay. I'm just here on behalf of Wano Township. I'm just going to put some paperwork into the record. I had one copy that I handed out on Monday -- on Wednesday at the Edgeley meeting. But I got copies for everybody. And, like I said, I'm just going to put them in for the record. So that's all.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Before you leave us, I know you were providing some information on those maps over there.

LUCAS WALD: Yep.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Did you help create

those?

LUCAS WALD: My mom created them, or created the Stutsman County maps.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: The Stutsman County one. Okay.

LUCAS WALD: She used the same -- same way that Susan and Richard did. But they did not do those. She did that map.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Okay.

LUCAS WALD: And they did them first, too. So -- and I don't -- I guess I don't know if we'll -- if we have to put it in the record or -- I mean, it's -- there's probably still some stuff that needs to go on the map, but it was such a big area that she -- I don't know if she finished it completely. So there was some debate whether to put it up or not but -- so that's how that ended, I guess.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Okay. Well, I'm going to go around and make sure -- since you're here on behalf of the township, I'm just going to make sure there isn't any questions for you.

LUCAS WALD: Okay.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions, just a couple items.

Just to confirm, this is a copy of the document that you previously submitted?

LUCAS WALD: Yes. I did one copy. There's four in the sheets. But I just gave one copy; thought since I wasn't reading it, it just could go to the PSC, but then they -- they handed it out --

MS. FUREY: Gotcha.

LUCAS WALD: -- until it ran out, I guess. So now I did six copies so everybody had a copy.

MS. FUREY: Thank you. So nothing new from --

LUCAS WALD: No, nothing new.

MS. FUREY: Okay. That was -- that's my question.

And then, Your Honor, I guess I would just renew our objection to the maps on the same grounds that I previously mentioned, lack of foundation and relevancy.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Those are noted.

Mr. Pelham, any questions?

MR. PELHAM: I don't. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: No questions, Your Honor.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad?

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: No questions. Thank you again for being here today and for the clarification

on the --

LUCAS WALD: Yep.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: No questions. Thank you.

LUCAS WALD: All right. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you, Mr. Wald.

Who would like to go next?

Good afternoon. I'll have you state your full name for the record and spell your last name.

JAKE EMO: Jake Emo, E-M-O.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And, Mr. Emo, did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury this morning?

JAKE EMO: I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

JAKE EMO: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

JAKE EMO: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Go ahead.

JAKE EMO,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

JAKE EMO: All right. My name is Jake Emo. I am here representing Corwin Township. I, unfortunately -- or fortunately or unfortunately, I'm the chairman of Corwin Township and I've been around since this kind of started.

So I have a write-up and then some topics that -- like I kind of caught some of the other meetings you guys had and some of the questions you might have, like for facts or instances that have happened. So just some side notes, so I hope to be quick.

My name's Jake Emo. I'm here representing Corwin Township. I'm here to answer any questions that you might have around the Corwin Township and the setbacks and our experience and our history with the Otter Tail and MDU project.

My direct interaction with OTP started in a meeting on May 1st of 2024. I met Todd Langston and George Vision (phonetic) over a lunch break I had. The meeting was about an hour long. We talked some, just -- it was pretty vague, not a lot said. At that point, the only real thing that I got was that it was going to come through Corwin Township. At that point they had a

preferred route and a secondary route. I seen a small map. Kind of a -- to me, it felt like a check-the-box type meeting maybe like -- I understand how that works.

After the meeting, I heard from a number of Corwin homeowners and landowners in the weeks that followed that had concerns about the project. At first just brushed it off like just another line, not that big of a deal. We all need power.

I was pretty new to the township board at this time. I technically wasn't the chairman at that time either so I don't know why they reached out to me. Never experienced anything like this yet and had zero idea how this was going to impact my life.

Over the next two to three months, the calls and concerns got greater from the landowners and homeowners. Both were asking for zoning to be updated to have some guardrails at the township level for some protections for everyone involved. At this point I didn't even know we had zoning or where to find it because, like, when it was handed over to me, like I didn't -- I got a green book, and good luck.

Long story short, I keep pretty good records of what I got going on. 186 hours to this point working with a group of citizens from the township, some county officials for some input, and a little bit of brief

communication with the PSC staff, which was really helpful, around the word "reasonable."

And we added and updated a Corwin Township zoning and added the 2,640-foot setback from an occupied residential home that are for above-ground power lines, transmission lines. There's a 500-foot setback for underground lines. We put language in there for a variance option that they could get from the -- from the homeowners. And then it was a real fight about the distance like -- and the word "reasonable."

And like, last night my daughter, she's six, she asked like what's -- I kept saying "reasonable" when I was talking to my wife. And my daughter didn't know what that meant so, like, we looked it up and, like, to put it into her terms, we use the word "fair," because like in the dictionary, you know, that's -- that's what she can understand. So, like, we wanted to be fair for everyone involved.

And one thing that working with the people that helped me guide -- or helped us guide through this was like, you can't just tell them they can't come through or whatever. So we wanted to be fair for homeowners, landowners, the companies, whatever.

So we left route -- like there's routes through our township where you don't need a variance at all,

like you could just cruise through. As long as you can talk to landowners and get their -- their easements, you're good to go.

There was -- in all this, there was a ton of safety concerns that were brought up from the community members ranging from fire -- because on the east side of our township, we're up against this big -- we call -- I've called it the "Ypsi Valley" forever, but I don't know what it's really called, but it's where the village -- we're blessed with a village in our township, and then south of there is Montpelier, a small town. And along that valley is a ton of grasslands, woodland kind of thing. Like if a fire breaks out in there, could -- could be an issue. Failures during storms where these new lines -- someone said flying around like a weedwhacker, which I thought was a good term. The ice that builds up on the lines and falls on the roadways. Because we had someone that actually had ice fall on their car cruising down the road.

And the big one is, like, new residential homes. So you might -- maybe with the maps you understand where Corwin Township is, but in Corwin Township, we've been lucky over the last two years to have two brand-new homes built in our township, which is huge for us. Before that, it was eight years ago when me and my wife

built our house. And before that it was probably in the '90s since a house -- or someone added a home to our township. So like it was a big deal. That's three young families added to our township in the last 10 years, and that's huge for our neighborhood.

Our comprehensive plan is focused on agriculture and single-family residential homes.

From the community, we choose to live here because it's generally quiet, peaceful, rural, large spaces between people, and a great place to raise families. That seems to be the way the community members want to stay. I'm here representing Corwin Township community members. Like my thoughts might align with some of this, might not, but like I'm here to represent them. That's what they asked. They don't want to live in an industrial zone or they don't want to, like, roll out the red carpet to it.

As far as our experience, after House Bill 1258 passed, our -- our zoning was a little bit complicated because there -- we didn't have copies of our zoning to begin with and then it was found later on. And it was created in 1979.

And after 1258 passed is when a conditional use permit was requested from us. So we had a zoning and planning meeting on June 3. A week later -- we spaced

it out. We didn't want to have them both on the same week so we spaced out -- a week later, June 10, we had a special township officials meeting.

We had record attendance at these meetings. Normally we get like three or four people. We had, like, 30 or 35 people at these meetings. It was great.

On the 3rd we heard Otter Tail's presentation. There was questions back and forth from community members. We went over the reasons for the zoning change in 2024. There was multiple Otter Tail and MDU people there.

I say that because I've seen in some of the documents like it was stated that we didn't present a reason why the conditional use might be turned down. But they were there the whole time, like they were at all our meetings. We didn't try to hide anything and we explained everything to the best of our knowledge and we -- just trying to be fair for everyone. Like all these people live here and we're -- if something new is going to come in, we want it to work for everyone.

So after that meeting on the 3rd, we went and we -- on the variance request, we asked OTP to reach out to the seven homeowners that they needed a variance from that would be in that 2,600 -- or 2,640 setback and see if they could make some progress a week -- from a week

out before the next meeting. We heard a ton of times that they wanted to work with the people and we felt like this was a really fair chance for them.

The following week we met, June 10. Otter Tail, they weren't able to make any progress on the variance. There was no way as a township board we could, like, trump what the people said and grant them a conditional use or -- and a variance to the setback. Again, a ton -- or there was a few Otter Tail people there and MDU. That meeting was super short.

Afterwards to come to find out, out of the seven, I heard that they talked to four, but no offers were made. So, like, they just asked like, "Can we please go by?" I believe they're still waiting to hear back from Darwin and Helen Fisher. They're listed on the people that's affected, but they both passed like five years ago.

I don't think that they've made a valid effort to be out in the community like seeing who's where and doing what. After these two meetings, it's been crickets. There is -- this is pretty much what's led people to believe there's, like, zero hope in this and the project or company is just going to end up bulldozing their way through with the help of 1258.

Out of our township, there's roughly 37,120 feet

of line proposed. In the township, there's roughly 8,020 feet of easements like signed up, like people said, "Yep, we're good." Roughly 21.6 percent. The length of area that's not signed up or the -- the nos, some are super colorful nos, but nos are 29,100 feet or 78.4 percent, we don't -- we're not interested, to my knowledge. 100 percent of the land signed up in Corwin Township is absentee landowners.

So that's what I had written up. I have some keynotes.

So you asked like what they could have done better or things that possibly could have been misleading, and I broke it into three areas: like homeowners that live in the area, landowners that they want easements from, and township officials, our communication.

So the big thing that I heard from homeowners, who's affected, if you're not in their 500-foot setback and you're not -- they don't want an easement for you, you don't matter. Like, "We're not going to talk or, like, we don't have a reason to talk to you." That's what I have -- the feedback I've gotten. I'm sure some of them might have gotten mailers of some sort or whatever. I just get the Christmas cards; like that's all I remember getting.

The landowners that have -- that they've asked for easements in our township, the big thing, the super big thing we hear from them is whose "no" matters? Why does their "no, thank you" matter less than the neighbors that said "no"? Like, why does it have to be on their land? Like, we prefer just not to be part of it. Can you move it over?

Compensation. Everyone gets the same, but we've heard there's naming of prices, neighbors being told, "Well, the people around you have signed up. Like we'd like you to -- you know, we'd like to get this through."

And then as far as the township officials, the communication's good. Like their project manager, he was really good. I feel like he emailed and reached out to me a lot. I don't know about other people's experiences, but he was -- he was fair.

One thing that has come to this past week, though, is they came to us asking for a dual circuit line -- poles. They're going to put one circuit up. We never heard nothing about two lines going on it right away. But then this week we hear they're going to put -- they want permission to put both lines up on their timeline.

Well, if they do that -- they use the analogy like it would be -- they told us it would be one line

going up, and then in, like, 10 years when they needed to add the second line, it'd be, like, the line over by Fargo or wherever it might be, that they have to come back to the Public Service and the local entities and ask for conditional use again or permission again. But if they get all the permission upfront, in 10 years are they just going to show up with helicopters and real trucks and equipment and whatever and just start working and no one knows anything?

I don't know where that would go, but that would be a real concern as a township official. I hopefully won't be on the board then but, like -- I think it would be a concern to anyone because, like -- they talk about roads. Our roads ain't going to put up with this. Like, we've put so much work into roads. And, like, I know that they say that they'll take care of them, but it -- it'd be hard to trust them on it.

And then you asked about reliability -- or there was a lot of talk about reliability and I think a lot of people, like, hit on that really hard. But it was asked directly in our conditional use permit zoning meeting that "Will this line being proposed to be added prevent us homeowners from losing power?" And they looked at -- it was asked to one person and they said no. And I don't know if that means, like, no, they can't guarantee

it, which, that's fine, but if it's reliable or adding reliability and that question's asked in that meeting, like, I think there's more of an answer than just "no."

And then the storm damages. So the -- I won't speak a ton on the summer storm because, like, I thought -- I was home alone, thank God, and my kids weren't home. And I'm pretty sure my house was headed for Kansas.

But the ice storm that they talk about -- I live south of Jamestown, Corwin Township, and I -- but I work north of town where the lines did go down. That storm south of town was 10 times worse than up north. So, like, if God wants that line on the ground, it's going to go on the ground. Like, I don't think that we can just say that we're going to build something so strong it's not going to break.

I haven't seen a ton, but I've heard from community members like the mistrust and whatever. And I think Otter Tail is a good company. My grandpa worked for them for 34 years. I'm highly invested in them, like I want them to succeed, but there's a right way and a wrong way to do things. And the people just feel like it's -- they've earned a lot of mistrust.

But right from their value -- or right from their website -- I've never been on -- I only go to

their website to pay my bill, but on there, there's a bunch of information. In there they have their values, number one being integrity. "We conduct business responsibly and honestly."

I don't think people feel that.

Number five is community. "We improve the quality of life in the areas in which we do business."

I don't know how that's going to happen for the citizens of Corwin Township.

"And we build respectful relationships and create an environment where all people can thrive."

I'm not sure that anyone's going to thrive through Corwin Township because of this project except Otter Tail and MDU.

And my final thoughts on the whole deal is I've stuck a ton of time into this, way more time than I'd ever want to, like it's not been a positive situation on my life. In our township we get paid 300 bucks a year to do this. So, like, before taxes, you know, it's under a buck an hour, it's been the past couple years.

It's a David and Goliath situation it feels like in our township. There's not a lot of hope. Our state legislature, people have left us hanging out to dry. There's huge money behind Otter Tail and MDU. There's full -- people with full-time jobs, and we're trying to

pick up the pieces and band together as a community. And we feel like there's no hope.

But my wife humbles me a lot and she says, "You need to find something positive in every situation." Right? So there is a positive in this whole thing that's come to us, is it's brought my township together. Like there was people that did not -- they wouldn't -- they'd pass each other on the gravel road and there was no chance there was a wave. There might have been a wave, but it wasn't a pleasant one. But these people, like, talk again.

And I found two of them on the end of us -- on a township road this spring. They were watching one of their relatives plant soybeans. They're hanging out there, having a beverage and talking. Not about this project, but they were talking again, and I don't know if they had talked in 10 years. So like there is some positive, but there's been a ton of negative.

And I -- I don't think we're opposed to the line in itself. We're just opposed of how it's being done.

That's all I have.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: Thanks for being here, Mr. Emo.

Could you take us through the process the township went through in determining the setback, 2,640? How was that number arrived at?

JAKE EMO: So we looked at our township. We made -- did the circle map on our township or whatever, made sure there were -- like everyone wanted -- so, to be honest, no one's happy at 2,640. Everyone's irritated about it. The minimum that they -- the township people, homeowners, wanted was one mile. Some people were three to four, like it was a ton.

But we try -- I -- you know, I was the bad guy. And there's still some people probably pretty irritated with me, that like I whittled them down to 2,640 but -- and 2,640 is not going to work for every township, but it -- I believe it works for our township.

I think it's fair because it allows passthrough. You can still get a variance. You could bury it. Like if you're talking about reliability, like I hate to admit it but -- well, I'm an electrician. Like I don't put any lines above ground anymore, like it's all buried, you know, like if you're super wanting to get to reliability. But I get cost.

But the 2,640 was a negotiation over about two months of multiple meetings and phone calls and trying

to come up with a scenario where everyone could move through or, like, get -- see progress but still have some protections.

Because I mean, I think -- I forget his name, the one that's not here, he talked about like -- like, these lines are big. It is like an interstate coming through our township. And we're not designed for an interstate, like we're a township-road type thing. Like it's a big deal.

So, like, to have some breathing room there and, like, to, I don't know, have respect for everyone hopefully involved, I would hope. But it was a negotiation over about two months. And then we had posted meetings and voted on it and tried to do it all procedurally, like correct.

MR. PELHAM: Sure. And I'm just wondering, during that, roughly, two-month period of time when engagement with -- with your neighbors, where was Otter Tail in that process at that point when discussions were being had on the setback?

JAKE EMO: You know, I don't think I had a ton of con- -- or, like, talk with them. They were -- they were there when -- I believe -- yeah, they were there at those meetings when, like, it was voted on and talked about. And, you know, they didn't speak, I guess. I do

know they were there because we -- we were -- we had -- yeah, they were there. And we weren't -- we don't want to hide anything, because I think when you're hiding something, then you're -- you're wrong about something; right? So, I mean, any information that they would want, we -- I'll put forth.

MR. PELHAM: I mean, I guess my question too -- and I appreciate that response -- is, I mean, did they ever say, "Hey, you know, the state law says it's 500 feet. You can't do anything more than that"?

JAKE EMO: Oh, no.

MR. PELHAM: Was that ever discussed, brought to your attention, or anything like that by Otter Tail?

JAKE EMO: No. I do believe the Public Service was who informed me that it was 500 feet.

MR. PELHAM: Okay.

JAKE EMO: Like, I don't -- yeah, I don't know. It kind of feels like it doesn't -- it didn't matter at that point. I don't know. It was -- like I said, I'm not real -- I've been on the township board, like, three years. I don't know.

MR. PELHAM: And you know, you know. If you don't, that's fine.

It's been mentioned a few times, absentee landowners.

JAKE EMO: Yeah.

MR. PELHAM: And I'm just wondering, in your experience in Corwin Township, was there any participation of what you'd consider absentee landowners? And I -- as I understand that term, it's generally people who own the land but don't live in the township.

JAKE EMO: Correct.

MR. PELHAM: Did they participate in any of the township meetings or hearings or talk to you at any point in time as far as these setbacks or anything like that?

JAKE EMO: No. I don't know them personally and I don't remember. There was a lot of people at our -- at our conditional use and our -- that meeting, and I don't know for sure if they were -- either the three -- two or three of them were there, but no, not that I know of.

MR. PELHAM: Okay. All right. Fair enough. Thanks for your time today.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock, any questions?

MR. SCHOCK: So you are here, to be clear, representing Corwin Township. Do you have any land that's impacted personally by the project?

JAKE EMO: No. I shouldn't -- like it's five miles -- I shouldn't say anything because it's five miles away from my house. My luck, it's going to be in my backyard after this. Honestly, there's a 230 line in my backyard right now they could upgrade and I'd have to deal with it then, you know.

MR. SCHOCK: Sure.

JAKE EMO: So, like, no, I -- I shouldn't --

MR. SCHOCK: Okay.

JAKE EMO: -- be speaking up. Like I -- I'm speaking up because the people in our township feel like there's zero voice. So that's why I'm here. I don't have any stake in it other than being gifted to be on the township board.

MR. SCHOCK: I appreciate that.

Do you -- any of the stuff you were reviewing there, did you want to submit that as part of your -- your testimony today or not really? It's --

JAKE EMO: I only have one copy. You can have it. Like, that's fine. I don't -- I mean, it's all just -- I mean, it doesn't matter to me. You can have it. I can email it to you. You can have this one. I don't --

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: If you give it to me, then it'll end up on the Commission docket.

JAKE EMO: Yeah. I mean --

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: It's up to you.

JAKE EMO: -- I might have skipped some words, but, I mean, it's all there. I'm not very good -- I'm not super smart but, like, it's -- that's why I tried to plan ahead. But I've been writing it for two weeks.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Do you have any --

MR. SCHOCK: That was all. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Thank you for your testimony. There were a lot of things. Specifically, I -- I have three kids. My oldest is six. So when you were talking about your six-year-old asking about words, that hit home for me. We've been through that a lot. And also they, ironically, currently have an obsession with the Wizard of Oz. So I smiled a little bit when you talked about, like, going to Kansas.

But just to follow up on some of the things you said, thank you for your discussion with -- with Mr. Pelham about the setbacks and how the county arrived at those.

When you mentioned hearing from, like, members of your township about fire and safety concerns, were any of those concerns, like, communicated back to the

company or addressed by Otter Tail and MDU in any way?

JAKE EMO: I don't know if they were ever addressed, but they were brought up. So, like, when we -- when we had our first zoning meeting, it was long. It was long to me. It was like over an hour, I believe. And a lot of those things were talked about then. And there was a lot of conversation. Like, they did a really good job of, like, talking with the people in the room at that time. So, like, I believe that those -- if people had concerns -- like, if they expressed them to me, I'm hoping they were talking in that room during the meeting. I think some of it was touched on, but I don't know how much for sure.

Like, we don't -- you know, normally, like, our meetings -- a lot of our meetings are, like, on a tailgate. But we had a -- we rented a room for this in Ypsi and, like, made it formal and everything. And I wish we would have recorded it like some of the other ones that I'd been to.

But, yeah, maybe our records aren't up to -- aren't great at recordkeeping, but I would -- I would have a hard time believing that those weren't presented at that zoning meeting.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. So it sounds like that even if they were, though, there's still just

a disconnect or that didn't fully resolve those concerns?

JAKE EMO: Yeah. So I don't know if everyone -- yeah. No, like, the concerns have never really been addressed.

Like, honestly, I seen a map at that first meeting, you know, in 2004 [verbatim], that preferred route. And, you know, I don't have, like, photographic memory or whatever, but that route through our township hasn't changed a ton. So even if there are concerns, I don't know how much weight they would carry to -- from my experience with the company. Like they're willing to -- they say the word, you know, they tell us that they're willing to work with people, and I do think that some of them have -- they do care, but then there's some that are just -- it's just checking a box. A lot of this has been just feeling like it's just checking a box.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. Because like that -- I mean, we've heard a ton of testimony from the company and from the public, and people say, like, well, you know, we were at this meeting and we talked and this and that.

And like what I'm still trying to just piece together and understand is, like, it seems like

everybody was -- is everybody talking at each other instead of to each other? Like, why is there just this disconnect? And obviously, like, everybody says, "Well, I said this and you said this." And so, like, I'm just trying to work through it.

And sometimes I -- you can probably relate to this. It's like, you know, when you're parenting and your kids are coming up and saying, well, they said this, and you're just trying to find what the answer is and the why so we can move forward in a more productive way.

JAKE EMO: I think, like, the safety concerns that were brought up and -- you know, like it stemmed from the homeowners, right, like that was the deal, the people that live there. And I shouldn't say, like, absent -- like, there's people that own a ton of land in the township that don't live in the township. They might live in a neighboring township that make their living in the township, and their voice matters just as much as ours, you know, so, like, we communicate with them.

So, like, even they were -- the people that -- the ones that own the land in the township that don't live there, they were even for the setback. They were like, yeah, like, it could be a real safety thing. Like

what if they had to come in and work on this in the middle of the night and there's all these crews or whatever and you need to leave in the morning or whatever. And you don't want that up against your house. You don't want that right down this road.

You know, like, I -- I get the point of it's a lot, that the setback would be a lot, but we also live in a wide open space. You know, we choose to live there. Like I put all my eggs in one basket building my house. Like I am -- you know, like I'm fortunate. I am young enough, like I could drag up and move on and leave and start over somewhere else, but I don't want to.

There's these farmers, though, that can't. Like, they're invested in this area. And they're concerned about where they live and leaving it the way it is.

Like, we're not opposed to -- I don't think the township is opposed to progress, but let's just do it in a way that we can all -- you know, they talk about, like, going through section -- or following section lines and -- and along roadways and stuff. But look at our township. Like, it's not really the case, like, for a bunch of it. Like, there's spots where they're zigzagging around and angling here.

And then one of the landowners around, you know,

I feel for him a ton because he's worked his whole life out there farming and planted these big beautiful trees or whatever, and they want to come tear his trees out. And they're like, well, we'll replant three rows or whatever. Yeah, well, he's 60-some years old. He's at the point in his life where he wants to enjoy what he created. He's ready to retire. Like, I have a huge amount of respect for him. He worked his whole life to create something for his little bit of time when he's retired to go out and enjoy and hunt and do whatever. And they're like -- they don't understand. Like, you don't just wipe that out and start over at his age.

So, like, there's a wide array of age group in our township and the young -- from the young families to the people that are ready to retire. Like to try and come to a compromise that's going to create -- make everyone happy, no, that'll never happen. But to find that middle area to -- I care about the citizens in Corwin Township. I understand that progress needs to happen and this line is important, but my number one priority is those citizens. Like that's what I --

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: That's very evident. Not to interrupt you, but that's very evident in --

JAKE EMO: Right.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: -- what you're doing

and how you're presenting.

JAKE EMO: I don't know what more to say. Like that's -- yeah, sorry for being longwinded.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: With this -- with that setback, is there a concern? Because I thought in this one thing I had read is like that setback actually then does make it so you have to build in the middle of fields. Is that accurate?

JAKE EMO: No. Our setback, our 26?

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Yeah.

JAKE EMO: That's what they're saying, yeah. So if there's a house along the road and they were to -- say there's a 2,640 setback, like that might push the line out in the middle of the field. They're already in the middle of the fields in part of our township. Like there are some that they're along the edge of the road or whatever. But that -- that doesn't make sense because, like, they -- they cut across at an angle across one field, you know, and the landowner's like, no, that doesn't work. And it's just that -- I remember that angle from 2024. That hasn't changed.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: And so from your experience and what you're hearing, when they say like this doesn't work at that angle, what's the dialogue and back-and-forth to potentially, like, moving it forward,

a different purpose?

JAKE EMO: I don't know. I don't want to speak on behalf -- like this is -- this is what I'm hearing from them. You know, like their negotiations and stuff, that's up to them. Like, I'm not one that -- I'm not going to -- I don't want to tell you what you can and can't do with your land. Like I am all about less government is more, but there needs to be some -- like, the government we do have, let's protect the people that are living here, is my opinion, I guess.

I know there's been some people that have said we just -- we're not going to come to an agreement. Like we've asked you for things and nothing's changed so, like, let's just stop talking. And there is other people that I do think that are -- landowners that are still talking and -- but I don't -- I get the vibe they're not making much progress either.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: And one last question. Have you had any discussions with the company at all, like, on the road and the road use agreements?

JAKE EMO: No. But like it's -- like they talk about, like, how they're willing to work with us going forward, but, like, after all this, it's going to be hard. Like, I'll do what I have to but, like, this has been a lot.

Like, in September, I just -- I had to step away from this because it was -- it wasn't -- wasn't good on my life, you know. So, like, two weeks ago I picked it up to be prepared for this. But I don't know. Like I'm not saying it was -- I guess it -- yeah, it's just -- it's been hard on everyone. It's been long. It's been drug out. It's been -- I've been dealing with it two years. Some of the other people said it's three years. It's been long and drug out. Like, I don't know.

I think Mr. Christmann said something about, like, why is this taking so long? Normally other projects are done in eight months. And I don't know. Like it seems like it's wearing. I don't -- yeah, I'm ready for it to be over.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Thank you so much for your testimony.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Yeah.

I'm going to expand upon that. First of all, I want to say thank you for your service. 186 hours?

JAKE EMO: That was just until we got to the -- the zoning portion. So over the last two years, it's 300 and some. I don't have that exact figure but, like, it gets -- it's a lot. Like that's where -- like in

September, at the end of September when the phone calls were still coming, like, and I felt like the people were irritated with me, like, that's when I just had to disconnect for a little bit.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Okay. I'll thank you twice because you doubled it, but thank you.

Right before we went into questions, I wrote down a statement you made. You said, "We don't oppose the line or progress. However, we do oppose how it's being done."

JAKE EMO: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: And I want to address how it's being done.

JAKE EMO: Okay.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: If you could do a reset --

JAKE EMO: Yep.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: -- what would you tell Otter Tail and MDU to do?

JAKE EMO: I would say if you can see this line from your house, you are affected. You're not -- the people -- the people -- if you can see this line from your house, that's an affected person. I think that's a big disconnect, is if you're not within that 500-foot setback or whatever -- and I get that they might have

sent some mailers out, but we get a ton of junk mail. Like I don't think that's good enough. Like you need to be on the radio. You need to have a billboard. You need to be making people aware, like if you really want to know this project's out there and making it aware and be positive in the community.

And don't get me wrong. Our -- our local Otter Tail guys, there is -- I work with them. There is no better group of guys out there. They are the best. I would not trade any of them for anything. I can't say enough good thing about our local Otter Tail. Corporate Otter Tail that we've dealt with or the vibe that we've gotten from them is a long ways away from that.

So like community outreach right away. You can have meetings and you can have open houses, but if no one knows that they're going on or if it comes across as a piece of junk mail, like, yeah, attendance is going to be really minimal. I think we could restart over and have open dialogue and state --

And then if this is truly just for reliance or redundancy or creating the loop or whatever, prove it, I guess. I don't know how you would do that, but prove to people, like, there's no conspiracies, there's no ons and offs, there's no other agendas out there. And I don't know how you do that 100 percent. But like people

don't believe, you know, that it's just going from here to there and it's going to be like that for the next 99 years.

So I don't know. It's probably not the answer you're looking for but like --

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: No, no. It was. I mean, they're here in the room and they're hearing you, and your first thing that you said is community outreach, come back to the community.

JAKE EMO: Well, that's the thing, like -- so I did some -- I work as -- I work as an electrician. I have customers all over. And I did talk to people like in neighboring townships and they're like, "I didn't know that was going -- I didn't know anything about this till you guys created this big stink." And I'm like, why? We're not the one -- I'm not trying to create a big stink. But, like, have you -- like they say that -- or we've heard that alternate routes might have been talked about. Like, I'm assuming you're a large landowner. Like if you're going to come through Winfield Township, like they're going to touch some of your land.

But I got that vibe a lot up until, I don't know, I suppose mid summer. I don't know. It seemed like a lot of people knew about it the summer maybe

before that. Well, I guess maybe the stuff that happened up in Bismarck because that was -- that got some publicity around here and, like, got people talking. But other than that, like -- I don't know. Maybe it's just because people choose to keep to themselves too.

But if there's going to be a project of this nature around, like sing it to the high heavens, you know, let's all hear about it.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Well, thank you. I have no further questions.

JAKE EMO: Thanks.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Who would like to go next?

Good afternoon. I'll have you start by stating your full name for the record and spelling your last name.

DARRON ORR: Sure. Excuse me. Darron Orr, D-A-R-R-O-N, O-R-R.

I do have some stuff here to hand in, I guess, or pass out.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: If you want to hand that to Mr. Schock, he'll hand it out.

Mr. Orr, did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury this morning?

DARRON ORR: Yes, I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Do you understand what perjury is?

DARRON ORR: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

DARRON ORR: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

DARRON ORR,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DARRON ORR: All right. I apologize. It's a little long, but if -- if Jake's got 300 hours in, I can guarantee you I got about 600. So this has been long and it is personal.

So JETx timeline. August 25, 2023, I received a request for a survey permit. And I do have that with me.

September 12th, they were in Ellendale 3 to 6, September 13th, they were in Jamestown 3 to 6, and September 14th, they were in Edgeley from 3 to 6.

I find it very interesting that I had a survey permit with the exact descriptions of the final. So I had -- my land was identified before there was even an

open house. So I question the honesty, to begin with.

So regarding the time alignment of the open-house meetings, why would they hold open houses to inform and receive feedback from residents and landowners in the late afternoon from 3 to 6 p.m. in August when most people -- that should have been September, it looks like -- most people are working and producers are in the midst of harvest?

In visiting with those who attended the meetings, they reported the information provided was very vague and, in fact, JETx was considering three different routes for the transmission lines.

Late January, early February of '24. I heard nothing more until late February of '24 when I received a phone call on behalf of JETx from Otter Tail Power Company's land rights supervisor at the time, George Vinson. This was the first of numerous conversations Vinson and I had in which I voiced my concerns about this project and the negative impact on my neighbors and community. My position has never changed.

May 2 of '24, Stutsman County Planning and Zoning Committee meeting. I presented my concerns about the 500-foot setback from residences and discussions were -- and discussion was held. Otter Tail representatives were present at this meeting.

July 24 of '24, Stutsman County Planning and Zoning Committee meeting. After hearing testimony from Otter Tail and concerned residents, the committee unanimously passed a 2,600-foot setback from residences for high-voltage transmission lines.

September 3 of '24, Stutsman County Commission meeting. When the issue of the new 2,600-foot setback zoning ordinance was brought up for consideration, the chairman of the board was noticeably agitated and quickly quashed the discussion. The new ordinance was quickly tabled.

And visited -- in visits with a number of zoning committee members and a county commissioner, it was related to me that Otter Tail had requested a private meeting with the commissioners and zoning members, but that there could be no more than two members present outside of a committee meeting. I was also told that this was the first time that anyone could remember the county commission refusing to adopt a recommendation from the zoning committee.

October 8th is when Corwin Township unanimously passed their 2,600-foot setback.

January of '25. District 29 Representative Craig Headland called, requesting a meeting with me and Otter Tail to discuss this project. I told them that it

wasn't about me, but if they would like to meet with the community so everyone could be heard, that I would be open to that. After discussing all of the concerns with this project, he told me and he agreed with my concerns. He stated that he did not want the JETx project and Levi Taylor, a Stutsman County commissioner, didn't want it either. He felt like he was in a tough spot.

January '25. Less than two weeks after Craig Headland's call and the first of several bills were -- the first of several bills were introduced to punish, hinder, and directly take away zoning powers in Township: Prairie Dog Fund Senate Bill two thousand -- 2012; the Insurance Fund, also known as the "Blackmail Bill" or Senate Bill 2208 -- I left the description on there, I won't read through that; and House Bill 1258.

Otter Tail and MDU and other industry interests lobbied hard to have these bills introduced and testified in favor of limit -- limiting local control.

On March 21st of '25, Senate Energy and Natural Resource Committee hearing later delivered a 4-3 "do not pass" recommendation on 1258 after hearing testimony from not only industry but also getting to hear from citizens. A number of landowners had made numerous trips to Bismarck to testify and tried to share their concerns about the negative impacts that this bill would

have on their communities.

It has been 877 days of constant duress, deception, heavy-handed politics, and bullying by proponents of the JETx project. So please forgive me if I'm more than a little frustrated.

Our township has had zoning in place since 1979 which predates this 500-foot setback -- setback was -- or which -- when this 500-foot setback was enacted. Corwin Township has recently implemented an ordinance that would not only accommodate JETx, but, more importantly, would protect our community and its citizens, which is the most basic and fundamental purpose of government.

You tell me who knows best and represents the interests of a community than their local township officers? Either you believe in local control or you don't. You don't get to cherry-pick when it's convenient and when it's not. Who actually determined that a 500-foot setback is adequate for high-voltage transmission lines? I'm guessing industry representatives did. And 43 years ago that may have seemed adequate.

The current regulations or setbacks with the North Dakota Public Service Commission pertaining to high-voltage transmission lines are antiquated. The

current setback is from 1983, part of the North Dakota Energy Conversion and Transmission Facility Siting Act, which does not address the size and scope of these new high-voltage transmission lines or projects.

These high-voltage transmission lines have often been referred to as "superhighways" for transmission. They are designed for exorbitant amounts of electricity. Our federal, state, county, and township roads are all designed, engineered, and constructed differently in accordance with standards that not only meet the needs of the system but, more importantly, the safety of the public. These new high-voltage invasive transmission lines need to be held to a higher standard, just like our transportation system.

How many of you know the size or height of these transmission poles being proposed? They stand on average of 155 to 180 feet tall. That is the equivalent of a 15- to 18-story building. The current setback is 500 feet from an inhabited residence. If an easement does not need to be obtained from that resident, then residents do not need to be notified. These are the simple facts. And this has happened to a number of residents in Stutsman County.

The residents of Corwin Township found that to be appalling. How can a transmission line of this

magnitude with so many negative implications be sited so close to a residence and those property owners are not even notified?

Jason Weiers, manager of Transmission Policy and Contracts for Otter Tail Power Company, stated in his testimony that there is simply no way to build a project through this rural area of North Dakota why -- while abiding by such a restrictive setback requirement.

I find it interesting that Mr. Weiers and other proponents of the House Bill 1258 conveniently ignored the fact that our Corwin Township ordinance clearly delineates three options: Maintain the 2,640-foot setback from occupied residents; bury the transmission line -- and I know there's oppositions to that, it might cost them four or five times, but that is an option; or to simply obtain a variance from the residents. This would require that those residents who will be negatively impacted by the siting of this lines must be notified -- must get notification and be set -- given a seat at the table for such planning.

Does this sound like an extreme and unreasonable position?

January 8th of '26, at the Public Service Commission technical hearings held in Bismarck, Mr. Kevin Schlein- -- I'm going to hack this probably --

Schleindecker, whose position is that of principal of Environmental Services -- (indiscernible) Services, represented the concerns of Otter Tail Power Company.

I found his testimony to be rather long and technical. It was quite -- I was quite intrigued by the sheer number of topics he covered, topics like cultural resources, resource surveys, wetland avoidance areas, tribal coordination, and a year-long conversation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineering. He reported on eagle stick nests, sharp-tailed grouse leks, and endangered species such as the Dakota skipper and others. In fact, it was quite impressive to learn how much time and resources they spent on environmental issues.

Then it hit me. We, the people, the residents who are the owners and custodians of the land, mean very little to the developers of the JETx project. When asked to address the concerns of our township and to obtain variances from the impacted homeowners, they did nothing.

At that point we gave them a second chance to obtain variances. And even then, and only -- the only attempt made to obtain these necessary variances was a single phone call. This lack of effort demonstrates their lack of concern, respect, and trustworthiness.

Otter Tail, in my opinion, has lost the trust of the landowners, the townships, and the public. They definitely have a credibility problem.

Another -- another aspect of the entire process that is troubling here is there has been no study done on the impact this project has on the welfare of those impacted. I do not think people really understand the attachment farmers and rural residents have to the land. It has often been handed down from one generation to the next and with great responsibility to continue a legacy of pride and stewardship. It is -- it is ingrained in us to hand this land down to the next generation in better shape than when we received it. It becomes part of who we are, a part of our soul, our identity, and how we are judged. So when some entity threatens to take our land, you have to understand how personal that threat is and the emotional and mental stress it causes. Some of these farms were established over a century ago. We cannot just pick up and move our farms and relocate.

The JETx project is a perfect example why local control is important. If it were not for Corwin Township officers listening to the concerns of the residents and putting in place ordinances to protect the people's health, wealth, and private property, then who would? This process, which is so flawed, circumvents

local control and shucks the State's responsibility to protect it.

The hypocrisy coming from Bismarck and our leadership is great. Governor Kelly Armstrong stated on BEK Television during the gubernatorial race that we must protect private property rights at all costs. Our legislators like to expound on the fact that they support private property rights and yet enact legislation that directly undermines that foundational liberty that was paid for with our blood.

The importance of property rights is what -- is what it means to be a free people and a strong nation. If you control the land, you control the people. Every time we give up a bit of our freedom, no matter how large or how small, we are one step closer to an authoritarian government.

On March 21 of 2025, during a Senate Energy and Natural Resource Committee hearing on -- on 1258, Senator -- Senator Dale Patten asked a question of Charlie Sorenson pertaining to zoning and if he could address the challenges of patchwork ordinances versus uniformity ordinances when building infrastructure. His answer was profound and spot on. Mr. Sorensen said, "I guess they are really uniform in a country that doesn't really exist anymore. It's called the USSR."

This summer we're celebrating our 200 -- nation's 250th birthday in Medora, North Dakota. We are going to celebrate the opening of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library honoring our 26th president who is probably better known for the teddy bear than his position on environmental issues. Teddy Roosevelt was an avid conservationist. He started our Federal Parks System.

The State of North Dakota gave millions of dollars to the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Foundation to ensure that, upon completion, the new library would harmlessly blend in with the surrounding landscape. But when we raise similar concerns regarding the JETx project, which would violate the beauty of our natural neighborhoods, we are treated as though we are extremists.

Why are the concerns of rural residents in North Dakota discarded when it comes to zoning? Our urban cousins are so well-protected. They have zoning regulations for industry, commercial, residential, single-family dwellings, and multi-family dwellings -- units. Regulations define where a fence can be placed, how high it can be, even have to put the nice side out so your neighbors can see it. These zoning restrictions and regulations are put in place for a reason. To

protect the health and welfare of citizens.

Stutsman county has a 2,600-foot setback for gravel pits. The State of North Dakota has a 2,600-foot -- 2,640-foot setback for consolidated animal feeding operations of 300 head of cattle -- greater -- 300 head of cattle, livestock. Just so I understand the State's position, is the smell of the cow pies generated by 300 head of cattle a greater threat to the human welfare than an 18-story 345kV transmission line placed one-fifth the distance from an occupied residence?

Finally, I'd like to address what was referred --

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, before we get to this last part, I would object that compensation -- terms of compensation is irrelevant to this proceeding, outside the Commission's jurisdiction. So I'd object to comments being received into the record that speak to the subject matter as well as written documentation that speaks to that being entered into the record.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: As I said before, Mr. Orr, I'll let you make general comments about the easements, but I'm not going to allow you to go into specific provisions of those agreements or what has been offered because it's outside of the Commission's jurisdiction.

DARRON ORR: I'm under -- so am I under a contract with Otter Tail since I haven't signed anything? I guess I'm trying to --

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: No. But I'm looking at your -- your comments here and it goes through compensation. And I'm not going to allow you to provide that information.

DARRON ORR: I can't provide -- okay. So I'm just trying to bring forth -- 'cause I know a big concern of this committee, if they're -- and Mr. Christmann, commissioner, was what is the problem out here? Why isn't it getting done? So I'm trying to paint a picture of why it's not getting done. So I want to make it --

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: You can give us those general comments, what you think the problems are. I just don't want you to go into specifics.

DARRON ORR: Okay. So average per day is okay?

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Just tell me that you think the terms being offered are not reasonable or that that's the issue with obtaining those easements. Don't give me specifics about any of the money or what's being offered.

DARRON ORR: So I will sum it up this way. What I am guessing is an approximate -- okay, put this way,

it will cost me as a landowner -- Otter -- let's say this way. In one month's time, Otter Tail will make more -- I'll skip that part then.

So, in essence, I am labeled a protester, anti-progress, and even unreasonable. Let me get this right. Otter Tail wants my land. They determine the price. They control the surface rights. I pay the property tax. I assume no -- more liability. I absorb the devaluation of my property and any potential opportunities, my farming operations and efficiencies are hindered, not to mention that it is a blight on our communal landscape. I am asked to incur all of these negative consequences caused by the project, and I get well compensated at approximately X per month. But the best part is I owe Otter Tail two Xes per month for the cost of construction.

Will the constraints, operation, and maintenance of the facility at the proposed location produce minimum adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota? In my opinion, based on the safety, physical and mental health concerns for the residents and landowners, in conjunction with the additional cost, risk, and encumbrances incurred by our landowners and farmers, the culmination of all these factors, along with additional electrical cost to many

North Dakota residents -- residents, this project does have adverse effects. It's a -- this would be a hell of a legacy to hand down to our kids.

I open up for questions, but I do -- it is extremely frustrating. And you wonder why there's a trust factor here. I've been in contact with them from the beginning. I've always thought this is about a community. I'm not taking the money and going to stick my neighbor who lives there, who has no voice in this.

I think that process is very wrong. So my -- my position the whole time is we all have to have a place at the table. Me, as a producer, this is going to have a negative impact on my operation. Financially -- emotionally, it has been a toll already. Financially, there will be a significant effect on my operation. My land is three and a half miles, two different townships.

So I open it up if you have any questions. I'm sorry if I -- it's frustrating to not be able to tell our whole story. This is the only time we get to. And I feel like I -- I feel like I haven't been able to tell the whole story, if that makes sense so...

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: Thanks.

Mr. Orr, as far as the location of your property in Corwin Township that's directly impacted where the line is proposed to cross, where -- what sections are we talking? And if you have the legal descriptions.

DARRON ORR: Yeah, I mean, it's -- I guess -- yeah, I'll give you them quickly because I -- personally, I feel like it's insignificant except for there is one. Because I think it should be pointed out how this works.

The east half is section 11-138-63, that is in Corwin Township. The east half of section 2 -- of section 2-138-63. There's east half of section 23-138 -- or 139-63. And then one I'd like to point out, and if you can bring it up on your map, and I'm not sure if this family is still here but it's -- I call it "Heinrich." That's why I don't know the legals. I always give respect to -- I don't know. I classify my land as to who it was purchased from or rented from. So southwest quarter on section 13-139-63.

MR. PELHAM: And as far as how you were first contacted, I mean, this -- this document that you provided, is this -- August 25, 2023. That's the very first time that you would have been contacted by someone at Otter Tail regarding the JETx project?

DARRON ORR: Correct. So on August 25th of '23 -- and I want the time -- the significance of the timeline to me is like -- I think it tells a story, at least in my mind, of deception. Here are the same legals of the exact survey permit that they want to put the easement on my land. It has not changed in this process. August 25th of '23 --

MR. PELHAM: In terms of --

DARRON ORR: Here's the public notice, right here. So three weeks previous they had -- they had the line, in my opinion, picked out before they even notified the public.

MR. PELHAM: So in terms of any discussions that you would have had with Otter Tail or MDU related to the proposed route and in terms of any types of adjustments or requests that you would have made, did you make -- did you have any of those discussions with Otter Tail as far as, "Hey, can you move it this way or can you move it that way," anything like that?

DARRON ORR: Yeah, I had -- I mean, I had a great conversation with Mr. Vinson for quite a while, but I conveyed to him from day one that I'm concerned about my neighbors.

They can move it -- what's the difference if it's on the left side of your sidewalk or the right side

of your sidewalk? So you understand they -- they can move it, I get it, and I appreciate that. My only concern has been the seven people -- or the township homeowners that doesn't have a voice.

So on that -- on that north one, I'd like to point it out, because I think that individual's extremely impacted, Jeff and Cathy Heinrich. And I'm not sure if they're still here or not, but on that -- on the map, it would show their house. They get it on both sides, the east and south.

And I'm not sure if anybody's gone out there to look, and I'm guessing not, because there has been a lot done on the environment and that stuff but there's never -- there's no questionnaire to come ask the community, maybe these homeowners, what could be done. Just because they have to obtain a variance doesn't mean anything other than thank you, yeah, I understand you have to do this, and -- and they get it, but there was one phone call to part of them. That's what's so frustrating.

MR. PELHAM: Thank you, sir. I don't have any other questions for you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: So I -- you spoke a little bit fast when you were listing your -- your parcel information so

I just want to make sure I have it correct.

DARRON ORR: I can give you a copy. You can write them down off of this if you want, or I guess --

MR. SCHOCK: Oh. Did you have them on your --

DARRON ORR: No, they're not on there, but you can --

MR. SCHOCK: Okay.

DARRON ORR: You can take them. They're on this one if you'd like to have it.

MR. SCHOCK: I think I have them. I just want to verify that -- I'm missing one but -- so I have the east half of section 11-138-63.

DARRON ORR: Yeah, I'm trying to find that one sheet now.

Oh, yeah. Yep. East half 11-138-63.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. The east one-half of 2-138-63.

DARRON ORR: Correct.

MR. SCHOCK: The east one-half of -- I missed the section number.

DARRON ORR: 23.

MR. SCHOCK: 23.

DARRON ORR: 139.

MR. SCHOCK: 139-63. And then the southwest quarter of 13-139-63; is that --

DARRON ORR: Correct.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. That is helpful.

And you were just alluding to somebody else. You kind of referenced that towards the north side --

DARRON ORR: Right. Yeah. So right on the north side of that last legal I gave you --

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. So --

DARRON ORR: You can see -- you could probably pull up --

MR. SCHOCK: So in those map books right in front of you, if you go to page 10, I'm thinking is where you're looking at.

So if you fold that page out a little bit once you get to 10. In the bottom right it'll say like page 10 of 45.

DARRON ORR: Yep.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. If you fold that out, I think the top right part of that map would be 13-139-63?

And I'll give you a minute to kind of get your bearings of what you're looking at there.

DARRON ORR: So I should be on page 10, you're saying?

MR. SCHOCK: Yeah. On the bottom right, it should say page 10 of 45.

DARRON ORR: Yep.

MR. SCHOCK: And then in the map section there, it says 13 -- 13-139-63 in the -- here, I'll come up.

DARRON ORR: Sure.

Okay. Yep, got it.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. So that's where you were referencing the -- the Heinrichs, I think.

DARRON ORR: Yep. Jeff -- Jeff and Cathy.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. And where is their home, as far as you know, in that section? Is it kind of near that bend in the line --

DARRON ORR: Where the black spot is on the -- in the circle.

MR. SCHOCK: Sure. There's a few black spots and a few circles on that page. I just want to make sure we get the right one. So is that black spot the one that is within section 13?

DARRON ORR: Correct.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. That is -- that is helpful.

I'm just making some notes here.

Okay. I don't think I have any other questions for you. I appreciate the clarification of all that. Thank you for being here.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: You talked about -- a little bit about concerns you had about negative impacts

on your operations. Can you tell me a little more about that?

DARRON ORR: Yeah. So every -- we spend -- we spend money on making ourselves as efficient as we can be. So we spend money on burying rock piles, do the best we can with water management. Every encumbrance that we have to go around is time. Time is money. It's additional fertilizer, additional spray, more time on tillage. Every operation we do, every time we have to go around one of these or around it is more time and money.

There's also liability insurance. And I've had an extensive conversation for two hours with some people in the industry, insurance industry. And my farm, the way it is either going to have to be changed structurally, meaning LLPs, or somehow to protect the future generation, because I'm not willing to take that risk with these new obstacles or high line towers being put out there. So the insurance is going to cost more also.

So it's a -- yeah, it's a culmination of a lot of things. I -- my toolbox is limited. Talk about aerial applicators. Yeah, you can find somebody that can spray underneath them, some of these. But one of these lines goes a mile across the field and the other

one's kitty-corner. Drones, as of now, cannot be flown, the way I understand it, underneath high-powered transmission lines because of the voltage.

So, yes, there are -- there are financial burdens that will be placed upon me and my operation.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: And did you -- did you have the opportunity to express any of those concerns with, like, Otter Tail and MDU representatives for them to address at all?

DARRON ORR: No. And my -- my first and foremost concern has always been take care of the homeowners. And I think -- and I'm not sure if everybody really understands how that variance works. I thought we gave them three choices, you know.

And it was always -- I always felt like it was -- I'm not -- I'm not so sure they really took us serious. Because the reason I went through that line -- and I get a lot of that stuff. That timeline shows you at every level we tried to get more help and more involved, whether it was our county, state. They were there to push back. So that's why it's frustrating. And that's why I say there's a trust issue.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. Thank you for that additional information and for your testimony.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner

Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Darron, thank you for your well-laid out testimony. We appreciate it.

And I guess I just want to reiterate, we come out into the areas where the communities are affected, and I think on the very first day Commissioner Kringstad and Commissioner Christmann really emphasized that we do want to hear from you, and that's why we're here. So I don't want you to think that we're doing this just to do this. We do listen to you. We hear you. And the company, the Applicants in the room too, they hear you.

So I'm hoping that if there's a way to move this thing forward, to work on the trust, I'm going to challenge everyone to, you know, do that. But we're all hearing the same message, so you are being heard.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Who would like to go next?

Great. I'll have you state your full name for the record and spell your last name.

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: Richard Schlosser, S-C-H-L-O-S-S-E-R.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury today?

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand

what perjury is?

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

RICHARD SCHLOSSER,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: And, again, I apologize, wasn't really planning to speak today, but I think there are a few gaps and the rest of the story needs to be told with some concerns that I heard today and last Tuesday.

I would like to address those in the context of what the -- you know, the parameters that were set forth on those three principles and where we -- we are -- issues to deal with from public comment. And I do feel -- it might be a stretch in some of these, that I would hope to address such things as preservation, best use of resources, efficient use of those resources, and the restoration of those resources, mainly from the context as a farmer, also the ranchers, the land. And I hope that those are all taken into consideration as was

spelled out in those three -- those three bullets that we were going to talk about. And, finally, and most importantly, that it is done in an orderly and timely fashion. I got a comment later on on that.

Like I said on Tuesday, full disclosure, I'm a former co-op director, probably served too many years, but also served as chairman of our local cooperative, Dakota Valley Electric.

The question arose during that discussion on Tuesday while maybe the -- I guess the issue arose that the co-op would be drugged into this because they would need the reliability and what was the impact and the connection to this whole development would enable us as a co-op -- and I'm now a member, I'm no longer a director -- the reliance on this line for our reliability.

Consequently, I talked to our manager who was a former engineer with our wholesale power supplier, G&T, dealing with -- dealing with generation and transmission. He questioned seriously and told the proposal -- the proposal -- the proponent, excuse me, of -- that he told -- was questioning the project and that it was not needed from the co-op's perspective.

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, I guess to the extent that testimony is going to be provided about what others

may or may not have said about the project --

And it's my understanding that you are no longer a director of the co-op and you're not here talking on behalf of the co-op.

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: I am here on my own behalf.

MS. FUREY: Okay. So I guess I would just object to comments as hearsay related to the conversations and position of the co-op itself.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. The objection's noted. And I'll just point out to the commissioners that it is hearsay, but I think we -- we've crossed that line many times already so I'm going to allow him to provide his testimony, but I will just note that for the commissioners, that it is hearsay. He's testifying about information he got from a conversation with another person that's not here to testify. But the Applicants' objection will be noted for the record.

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: I just would respond to that to say that, as a member, as a ratepayer, I am a member-owner of that cooperative and I do -- I am a stakeholder. So I am concerned about rates that maybe -- you know, maybe result in impact to us as ratepayers. And that is part and parcel to my comments here.

Our wholesale power provider, and a lot of that conversation dealt with the wholesale power provider, delivers power to several connections within our service area, and some of those substations and transmission are IOU-owned. And, again, as I mentioned before, rather than go through the duplicated capital assets which would pass on increased costs to our ratepayers, we share some of that and we do pay a tariff for the delivery into our -- our service.

Okay. I think that's understood. I was hoping that it would not be mistaken that we are taking actually the power supply from an IOU. Our power supply is a locally cooperatively-owned cooperative G&T. Okay. Just so that's clear.

I would also address -- a lot of comments made by the political subs here, whether it's city, township, or county, really speaks to the orderly development of the third bullet. And if you look at ordinances and -- and if you study the etymology of an ordinance, its Latin derivative says that it is "to put in order."

And as farmers out there, as a previous testimony submitted, we kind of anticipated some order out here. You know, rather than going around obstructions, sometimes we apply aerially to control disease, weeds. Is that orderly? That's just a

question I think we need to consider.

And I think the orderly development to establish setbacks. And as the young man representing the counties -- the county that established some ordinances of large setbacks fully understand that those old setbacks that are established in statute are 43 years old. I don't know that there was a lot of these towers and 345s carrying 1,800 or 2,000 megawatts, you know, in a lot of the rural areas. So maybe that is something for the Legislature to consider.

And I think our political subs are speaking on behalf of what they see their citizens in those townships and counties to determine the land use within those jurisdictions. And I think we need to rely on those folks, the considerations that those folks take into consideration when they develop their ordinances and the comprehensive plans.

And as I said, the protection and preservation of resources. I said the land, the pastures, the tillable land. To me, where we were going to place -- and I objected and did not sign an agreement with JETx -- is prime farmland. And if you look at many of these statutory established boilerplate comprehensive plans that many townships and my -- my township has adopted, it does address that consideration be given to

prime and unique and irrigated properties.

So I think -- I think those of us living out there -- my neighbor, if I need something, I call him. He puts gravel on the road. If I have a concern about an easement, I can call my township officer who lives right down the road from me and he can respond. Sometimes the best government, as the Jeffersonian notion of government, of subsidiarity, of local control, is best handled at the local level. That's -- that's what I see as an issue here, and I would hope that we can take that in consideration through this application process.

The other thing is, as we heard on previous testimony, will this development -- because my co-op is an offtaker off of MDU and Otter Tail power substations -- will that increase the tariffs because of their engagement with -- I mean, that's a speculation, and I'm assuming some of those costs are going to be passed on to our tariffs as offtaker into our 46.1 kilovolt system. And that's a concern of mine still carried over as I was the fiduciary on a board representing our members with respect to rates and how we can mitigate those increases because of capital costs. And this is a concern that I think our manager also has, is what will this do to rates within our --

within our co-op?

Communication. I think we heard a lot about the communication with landowners. I had -- I had that experience. And I was one of the fortunate ones. They listened to my concerns and JETx moved the line. It's still -- I love getting up in the morning, having a cup of coffee, and taking a picture and sending it to my kids, this is what it's like on the farm, and it goes to the east. To me, nice view. Despite moving that, I will still see those towers. I will still see those. They're in the line of sight. Okay. I understand this happens. That's development.

Folks are concerned about that. Folks are concerned about preservation of your sight, your line of sight. What I see in the morning, when I get up in the morning, I don't know what you want to call it, sight pollution, I don't know, but it was concerning for me. And I appreciate the fact that they moved the line, which was, to me, a proximity concern, and now it will be similar to the ordinance what the young gentleman talked about. It'll be over 1,000 feet from my house. And I felt -- I don't know the exact measurement, but I felt it was really too close to my house.

So I -- after many conversations, telephone conversations, original conversation, going to the

meeting in Edgeley, looking at this and I -- I -- I voiced my concern and, thankfully, they moved it. And I'm still a little concerned about this.

So communications, I think, needs to be -- I think needs to be -- I don't know if it's enhanced or what, but I hear from my neighbors that they have issues with this.

Insurability. A lot of landowners have expressed questions about insurability. We have a lot of assets out there to protect and we attempt to protect them through general liability packages. We spend a lot of money on umbrella packages to cover those liabilities that are not covered in the general liability policy. And so it becomes --

Again, I talked about derivation of words. Words are important in a contract. And if they are ambiguous, well, this is -- this is an opening for litigation, subrogation, denial of a claim, if those words are so ambiguous that we don't understand what they cover or what they do not cover. Hold harmless agreements, additional named insured, and spelled out who will indemnify who or who will -- who will insure whom or who will cover the potential liability.

Again, somebody noted the fire out in the northwest part of the state. I don't know if this will

ever be settled in litigation within my lifetime of cattle dying, people dying, properties burned, millions and millions of dollars of assets destroyed in a fire.

Landowners should be concerned about that and understand what that contract says. Hearing a lot of those concerns over the last couple days and having farmers call and ask about it, and I said, well, it should be in the language of hold harmless. Especially when I spoke to my underwriter and my agent, they speak of coverage on my farm that is usual and incidental to farming. And she said we can only assume that it is not in the scope of the definition of farming/ranching if I receive a compensation for a nonfarm business.

Hold harmless, as I said before, and additional named insured clauses in agreements spelled out to specifics are critical. And that would address what I consider one of the three scopes of this discussion. Because we're talking about preservation of farms, preservation of assets, preservation of what that land is going to be used for.

And as I said before, ambiguous language lends itself to costly litigation, subrogation, which is an insurance company looking for someone else to pay for the liability or the claim. These get costly. They get lengthy.

And we on the farm, we're long term, but also -- we're also short term and we really can't withstand a lot of uncertainty because we have seasons. We have a season to plant, we have a season to tend calving, we have a season to get cattle out to pasture, we have a season to harvest and reap. There's a season out there that we have to comply with because of the laws of nature. You know, those are some laws we can't break, we can't deny. They -- which would clearly -- or denying a claim because the language didn't spell out that you are -- you know, your insurance won't cover that which is nonfarm on your land, which would place farm assets at risk.

We have enough uncertainty in our life. Price of -- the weather, the price of grain, the price of a commodity, the price of cattle, whether I'm going to get that -- rent that pasture next year to put my cattle out. There's enough uncertainty out there. We don't need this.

And finally, Madam Chair, if you would indulge me, I would ask that the Commission look at those maps. As far as preservation is concerned, we look at the development that's spelled out, potential development, whatever you want. And I talked about this on Tuesday, and I'm going to repeat it because it bears sort of a

macro long-term issue.

How do we balance farming/ranching, production, food production system in this country when we're losing 2,000 acres a day? Farmland lost 2,000 acres a day to non-ag development. We only got 390 million acres. That's a finite resource. Preservation. Preservation of that food production system is critical.

Apologize, I do not have copies of my testimony. It's mostly off the cuff. I would stand for any questions that I may be able to answer.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Before I get to our panel here, I just want to clarify. You were referencing the Tuesday meeting. Were you talking about the hearing in Edgeley?

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Okay, Wednesday. So I just want the record to be clear.

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: I have lots --

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: I know, it's been a long week.

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: Okay. I'm sure you --

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: I can commiserate, but I just wanted that to -- that you aren't referring to something else.

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: Got lost in the time and

sequence here. Apologize.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: Thanks for your testimony. I don't have any questions for you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: I don't have any questions either.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Just one. You shared -- it sounds like you've been very involved in this process, both from -- you know, like a landowner negotiating with the company, participating in your township process, talking to your neighbors, everything like that.

And one of the things you mentioned is like enhancements that could be made. I just was curious if you had any thoughts and ideas of what some of those enhancements could be to have improved this and made this --

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: Pardon me, I'm suffering from the hazards of my vocation; I have a severe hearing loss. Could you repeat that last --

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Yeah. So you had

talked about like -- basically, like, enhancements that could have been made and it seems like there should have been enhancements or improvements in this process. I was just curious if you had any suggestions of what some of those improvements could have been to this process.

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: I think clarity in some of the language of the easements would significantly help. And I alluded to the hold harmless clause. I think -- that, to me, is the biggest fear because we put at risk -- every farmer puts at risk nowadays a ton of assets, including livestock, land, crops that are out there growing, especially in the fall of the year when everything's drying up. Fire will go from my cornfield to my neighbor's cornfield to the next. It could go several miles.

And we had this experience about 10 years ago at a fire. Somebody hit a rock, and that fire went across soybean fields for about six miles. We're talking millions of dollars in cornfields, of standing crop. These are some assets.

I mean -- I mean, sure, the insurance is going to cover some of that, but where -- how do we pay my operating loan off or my real estate loan? I mean, there's a lot of questions out there now with the volatility in the market. We've got enough uncertainty,

as I said, out there that -- and I'm no longer a young farmer. I -- my son is taking over. And I have some concerns about these young producers who are out there facing all this uncertainty. We don't need to pile on a potential risk to the assets that they have.

And I don't know if it is -- I don't know if that language is specific to your question. I think these agreements need to remove some of the ambiguity.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Fair enough. Thank you so much.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Hi, Richard. Good to see you again.

I know this has been said quite a few times regarding our jurisdiction, the PSC has no jurisdiction over easements, what the easements say, et cetera.

So when making this decision in our order, if we do not -- we will not address easements or will say we do not have jurisdiction, I don't want you to think we're ignoring you. You've said it loud and clear here. But, again, I just want to emphasize this -- we have no jurisdiction over it, on what that language says, prices, et cetera. So I just want to be clear on what we do have jurisdiction over.

Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you, sir.

RICHARD SCHLOSSER: Appreciate the comment.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: So who would like to go next?

All right. I'll have you state your name for the record and spell your last name.

MIKE GRAALUM: My name is Mike Graalum, G-R-A-A-L-U-M. I have some brief prepared comments.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury earlier?

MIKE GRAALUM: Not today, but I have on several other occasions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Okay. And you remember them?

MIKE GRAALUM: Yeah.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Okay. And do you understand what perjury is?

MIKE GRAALUM: Yep.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

MIKE GRAALUM: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Go ahead.

MIKE GRAALUM,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

MIKE GRAALUM: Chair and Commissioners, thank you for the opportunity to speak today. My name is Mike Graalum and I am speaking today on behalf of the Dakota Resource Council. We represent about 600 members across North Dakota, including many in Stutsman, LaMoure, and Dickey Counties, several of whom are in the room today with us, people who live next to this line and carry its impacts long after today's decision.

I want to start by being clear. The Dakota Resource Council has conditionally supported projects like this in the past. A 345-kilovolt transmission line can strengthen our grid, add community benefits, but only if done correctly. We also recognize the value of building transmission in a location that makes geographic sense, which, again, is why we have supported similar projects in the past.

What was never anticipated in the past when considering transmission projects is the rapid rise of massive data centers. While Otter Tail Power and Montana-Dakota Utilities describe this line as necessary for grid reliability, and that is true, it also opens the door to extremely energy-intensive customers.

Data centers are largely unregulated in North Dakota. They consume enormous amounts of electricity and yet there are no clear rules in place to protect local communities or resources.

Just as concerning is how these data centers, as well as solar, wind, and utility line projects, are being pursued. We hear from communities that developers are requiring local officials to sign nondisclosure agreements, keeping projects secret as long as possible. That secret undermines trust and prevents meaningful public engagement.

At the same time, legislative efforts like House Bill 1258 appear to -- appear designed to silence local opposition. After multiple townships along the JETx route did -- denied conditional use permits, the bill was amended retroactively. Otter Tail Power testified in support of these changes.

When communities see laws being rewritten to override their local decisions, it sends a very clear message and it is not one that builds trust in our communities.

Landowners are already feeling pressure. Many received letters stating that, because of this transmission line, their land is now optimal for solar development. Some have been told that all of their

neighbors are already signed or that projects will have no shutoffs. And absentee landowners are often contacted first. These tactics leave people feeling rushed, misled, and powerless.

The companies are also asking for extremely lengthy easement terms. The proposed 99-year easements would permanently limit how land --

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, I would just object again for -- on the same grounds that we've been discussing with easement term specifics.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Again, general comments about easements, but I'm not going to allow you --

MIKE GRAALUM: I'm making general terms about the easements.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: -- anything specific --

MIKE GRAALUM: Not anything specific about any easement that has been allowed here.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

MIKE GRAALUM: I'll just skip that paragraph.

This project could be -- could still be an opportunity, but only if the Commission acknowledges that conditions need to be put in place that insist on transparency, accountability, and real protections for landowners and local governments.

Grid reliability is important. Clean energy is

important. But these cannot come at the expense of property rights, public trust, and the ability of rural communities to shape their own future.

Thank you for your time.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham?

MR. PELHAM: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock?

MR. SCHOCK: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad?

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: No questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Yes.

You said at the end very quickly --

MIKE GRAALUM: Sorry, I tend to speak fast.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: No, that's fine. And I hear slow.

-- that this project could go forward with -- on three conditions. Go to that. Transparency, accountability --

MIKE GRAALUM: So the line was this project

could still be an opportunity, but only if the Commission acknowledges that conditions need to be put in place that insist on transparency, accountability, and real protections for landowners and local governments.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Okay. Well, I can't address the last one because we have no jurisdiction --

MIKE GRAALUM: Yes.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: -- over it. So tell us what you would like to see if the Commission could do that on transparency and accountability.

MIKE GRAALUM: The main thing that we're asking today is that you allow the alternative zoning to not be overturned by the 1258.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: That's transparency?

MIKE GRAALUM: That's our main ask today. I mean, transparency is like developers -- this is something that I've heard from -- sorry, this would be hearsay again so I guess I can't testify. Sorry.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: I just wanted you -- go ahead.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: You can say generally what you've heard. I just don't want you telling me

specifics about --

MIKE GRAALUM: So I did a survey -- I did a county-by-county survey of North Dakota, looking for wind and solar projects that were off -- that weren't being reported yet. And I heard a lot of complaints from local officials, basically to the effect that developers weren't coming to them until they were finally ready to do their final permitting. There was a lot of people, including in these counties, who told me that they don't know what's going on in their counties with their developments. And that is the elected officials telling me that, specifically, I believe, an auditor so...

I could share those emails if you want to see them.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: No, I don't think so. I think your comments suffice.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Mike, I appreciate your response, because using the word "transparency" and "accountability" are very broad and you narrowed it down for me. And my takeaway was for us not to supersede the local ordinances on 1258.

MIKE GRAALUM: That is our primary concern.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Okay. Thank you. I have no further questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Who would like to go next?

All right. I'll have you state your full name for the record and spell your last name.

THERESA HAAG: My name is Theresa Haag, T-H-E-R-E-S-A, H-A-A-G.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury earlier today?

THERESA HAAG: Actually, I was at home listening to you guys online, and yes, I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Okay.

THERESA HAAG: Drank way too much coffee.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Do you understand what perjury is?

And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

THERESA HAAG: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

THERESA HAAG,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

THERESA HAAG: Like I said, I was listening online, listening to what the people had to say, and I was compelled to come up here.

I used to live in Homer Township so I know how

beautiful and peaceful and -- and wonderful it is. The nice nature. We used to have wild turkeys walk through our yard. We had deer. One time we even had a moose.

And at the time that I lived there, I even helped Homer Township type up their zoning ordinance, because they had issues with houses that were built too close together and they didn't have proper drainage for their septic systems.

So I know how much time and effort, stress, and money some of these people are putting into fighting this, because when I lived out in Homer Township, I had to fight somebody who wanted to put a brand-new livestock yard right next to my house.

And when I still lived out at Homer Township, they redid the overpass at Bloom. And there was a gravel pit to the southeast of my property, and they were going to use gravel there. And the company had come and asked my husband if they could use our driveway to drive on. And we discussed it, and we decided no, because at the time we had a little girl and we played outside. We didn't want the trucks driving past us really fast when we were outside playing. And she had asthma so I didn't want that dust being kicked up all the time and stuff. So they agreed not to. But they drove along the section line, you know, fairly close to

us. And at the time, every time my daughter and I would go outside, those trucks would stop and the guy would get out and he'd piss on the tire right there in front of my little girl. So that was not being a good neighbor.

And eventually we moved into town. My daughter grew up, she got a house of her own. So this is the only time I've ever had direct dealings with Otter Tail. So she got a notice posted on her door one day, her and her neighbor to the north, that Otter Tail wanted to do some work. So then the next day they came out and they talked and they said, "Well, in the old days, we could put a pole in an alley and we could have multiple lines coming off the pole, and we can't do that anymore. And your neighbor to the north wants to put in a two-stall garage so now your line is in the way. So we're going to have to put a pole in your yard to get your power to your house --" to my daughter's neighbor's house.

And the lady asked, "Well, can't you just bury the line? There's a pole right out front."

"Oh, no, we can't. We'd have to get you a converter and we can't do that."

And so then the neighbor said, "Well, can you put the pole way in the back of my yard by those evergreens?"

He goes, "Oh, yeah, we can do that."

So the next week, a different Otter Tail guy comes out and he starts putting yellow flags in the yard in the middle of the property, so right on the line between my daughter's place and the neighbor, halfways down the property, not up in the trees where it would be out of the way.

And her neighbor came out and said, "Well, why are you doing that? He said he was going to put it in the back, back there."

"Oh, that would be too expensive for us. We're going to put it right here."

"Well, no. No, we don't want to do it. Stop doing that."

So then a third guy from Otter Tail came and he said, "Well, we could bury the line. We can go from the front pole all the way to the back of your house, but you're going to have to get somebody to dig the -- dig the hole underneath their porch. We're not going to do that. We'll pay somebody to ditch-witch the line to the porch, but you have to --"

So my daughter, my husband and I, and the neighbor took four boards out of her porch and laid on our chests and dug the trench with trowels and shovels and stuff so they could bury the line. So that was our

experience with Otter Tail.

They keep telling you different things because they're trying to do it the cheapest way they can. So they buried the line, they put the little converter on there, which I guess they need if they're burying the line because it's more powerful or something. But they could have done that right away the first time instead of trying to get away with throwing a pole in the middle of your yard.

And the guy's comment was, "Well, you already have a pole in the front."

And my daughter said, "Yes. I bought the house knowing the pole was in the front, but I didn't want this pole in the middle here."

So -- and I've heard you ask every time, what could you do to be different? Well, I would say Stutsman County and these townships back here are trying to do that. They designed their ordinances so that there was more setback because the ordinances from before are outdated. That's 50-year-old technology for that 500-foot setback.

So you have the buzzing from the -- from the power line. That buzzing can cause noise pollution. It can cause anxiety and stress. You have the magnetic field. That could cause headaches, fatigue, lack of

concentration, heart palpitations, or depression.

And I thought some of these township commissioners who came up and talked were very good. And they talked about the thoughtfulness that they put into this process. They want the setback far enough away so that the technology now and the technology in the future can allow that these people don't get hurt. That's one thing for enhancement. So I ask that you don't let the State override that.

I didn't think it was being a good neighbor that Otter Tail ran to the state legislators and whispered in their ears and tried to get legislation passed when they're supposed to be for the people that voted for them, not for the companies.

Another thing, I think the old process, you know, back in the old days where -- where people didn't travel as far as they do now, you know, you just stayed in your little area, they would go out and talk to the people and they would do this. And that seems like what they're doing now. They went to each individual person. They already decided where they wanted this path to go. They went to each individual person.

Well, there could be better ways. And one of those better ways is every single one of us has a computer in our pockets. You can pull up the maps. You

can see what the topography looks like. They could have picked a route that didn't involve any people at all. It might have been a little bit more expensive, so it takes them another five years to pay it off, but then they would be good neighbors.

Or they could have got everybody together, had meetings. You pick township -- the first township and the second township, and you get everybody there, and they all look at the maps and they all decide together what would be a route that's acceptable to everybody. And when you get halfways down the second township, then you have another meeting with township two and township three, and you do the same thing. Work with everybody. Be good neighbors.

So don't let this be our Greenland or our Venezuela. Let's all be good neighbors and work through it together.

Any questions?

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: Thanks for your testimony, Ms. Haug -- Haag. Sorry.

You said that you used to live in Homer

Township.

THERESA HAAG: Yes.

MR. PELHAM: Do you still own any property in Homer Township?

THERESA HAAG: I do not own any property in Homer Township. However, we do own three quarters down in Logan. So I'm also looking out for me in the future if something happens down there.

MR. PELHAM: Sure.

THERESA HAAG: Okay.

MR. PELHAM: I don't have any other questions for you. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock, any questions?

Hang on.

MR. SCHOCK: No questions, Your Honor.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: I don't. Thank you for coming down. I'll just take this quick opportunity -- like I'm glad you were listening, not only for you, but other people who couldn't come and that you felt compelled to come down here.

So I'll just give a very quick shout-out to our sound people who are live-streaming this from Dakota Sound, live-streaming this and also recording all of

this to keep things open and transparent so everybody can participate and hear whether they're at home or here in person. Thanks.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: No questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: You mentioned you came late. If you wouldn't mind signing one of the attendance sheets, there's either one here or in the back, just in case you haven't done that yet.

We're going to take our afternoon break. We'll shoot for a 15-minute break and try to start at 3:05.

(Recess)

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. We are going to get started again.

Whoever wants to go next, if you want to make your way up here, that'd be great.

All right. I'll have you state your full name for the record and spell your last name.

TIM LEPPERT: Okay. My name is Tim Leppert, and it's spelled L-E-P-P-E-R-T.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Leppert, did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury?

TIM LEPPERT: Yes, I did, ma'am.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you understand what perjury is?

TIM LEPPERT: Yes, I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

TIM LEPPERT: Yes, I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you. Go ahead.

TIM LEPPERT,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

TIM LEPPERT: Okay. I guess it's good afternoon now. Mr. -- well, our chairman isn't here, but Madam Commissioners, my name is Tim Leppert. I serve as the Russell Township zoning administrator in LaMoure County, North Dakota.

So I have a question for the commissioners today. Why are we here discussing a route for the Jamestown to Ellendale JETx power line? There is no route for the power line. Five townships have denied OTP and MDU conditional use permits. That is 30 miles of this so-called route, one-third of its total distance. The townships haven't issued permits because they can't; they would be violating their own ordinances if they did. You all have the cart before the horse.

What are you going to do? Eminent domain the townships?

Our comprehensive plans and zoning ordinances go back many years and were established long before a JETx power line was thought of. The township's duty is to protect the resident citizens of the township as it sees fit.

Read the North Dakota Century Code. The townships were not notified about this power line. That is required by law. But that is the problem, isn't it? You, the commissioners, allowed OTP and MDU -- well, I need to say this -- to file for a certificate of convenience and public necessity under the wrong chapter of Century Code. This is not an existing power line route. It is a totally new route. You have not followed the rules set forth in state law governing the permitting and siting of high-voltage power lines.

This is why Victor Schock, your director of Public Utilities, tried on multiple occasions to get our attorneys to withdraw our petition to reopen the PU-24-91 case. You got caught.

You tell us, the local government entities, that local residents did not file their petition in a timely manner. Well, how in the world were we supposed to? First of all, you held your hearing right in the middle of fall harvest. Second, you directed the local

newspaper of record to put the public notice in the news section and not in the public notice section of the newspaper. Thirdly, the townships were not notified. All this was done before House Bill 1258 was law. This is a blatant disregard for the townships and shows them extreme prejudice.

Why did OTP and MDU send the township -- townships letters that appear to be copies the PSC generated and signed giving them notice of these January 2026 hearings? Why no letters like this before the CPCN hearing in November of 2024? It seems the PSC, OTP, and MDU want the last two years to disappear. It seemed to me that the PSC and the utilities corporations are working together against the townships and landowners.

But somebody did respond in a timely manner. Commissioner Hoffart stated on November 20, 2024, and again in a June 18, 2025, meeting where the petition to reopen the PU-24-91 case was denied, and I quote, "On March 27, 2024, the Commission issued a notice of opportunity for hearing, allowing until May 10, 2024, for receiving comment or request for hearing. No responses were received."

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, I would note -- is this all related to the CPCN proceeding? Because, if so, I guess we would object that this is not relevant to this

proceeding and it's the subject of pending litigation.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Leppert, is that your understanding, that that's related to that proceeding?

TIM LEPPERT: Well, it's related to all of this because this is where it all started.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Go ahead.

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, the CPCN proceeding is mentioned, specifically the notices that are referenced are referenced as applying to the CPN -- CPCN proceeding. All of these claims, at least thus far, have been related to the CPCN proceeding, as I've understood them to be. So I would just object that this is not relevant subject matter for purposes of public comment in this proceeding.

So to the extent that there's comments that Mr. Leppert has regarding this proceeding that he would -- he would like to offer, that's fine, but I think we've completely got out of the bounds of information that's relevant to what the Commission is considering in this proceeding today.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham, any position?

MR. PELHAM: I think that there -- there may be some tangential relationship as to the testimony of

Mr. Leppert and his belief and his position that the two cases are interrelated, and the Commission does not join the objection.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. I will note the objection for the record, but, Mr. Leppert, you can continue.

TIM LEPPERT: Again, and I quote here -- I'll start -- "On March 27, 2024, the Commission issued a notice of opportunity for hearing, allowing until May 10, 2024, for receiving comment or request for hearing. No responses were received."

And with all due respect, Commissioner Hoffart, I have been -- I am being respectful to you. Commissioner Hoffart, you are mistaken. On April 22, 2024, I wrote the PSC a letter. And you have the copy of that letter. That letter was signed by five of my family members and myself. That letter is in some file in your PSC offices. I obtained a copy of it from your offices and have it in my possession today. Why aren't you aware of this letter, Commissioner Hoffart? So my family and my letter are irrelevant to you, Commissioner Hoffart?

To this day, the townships and citizens have been denied opportunity to speak on their behalf in a public format, all the while OTP and MDU carry out their

false advertising campaign, deceiving and outright lying to the people about the necessity of this power line.

They claim it is for the reliability of the grid in ice storms. This is their prerecorded speech they gave at every open-house meeting and township meeting they attended. When questioned about it being used to service data centers, solar and wind development, they vehemently denied this and told us, and I quote, "No ons, no offs, just a straight-through line between the substation north of Jamestown and the substation west of Ellendale."

That is a false statement. I have in my possession today a signed consent agreement between OTP, MDU, and Spiritwood Solar LLC -- and you all have copies of that consent agreement -- where they mutually agree to transmit the power generated by the Spiritwood Solar LLC development on the JETx power line.

Furthermore, many state residents received letters from Stellar Renewable Power that stated they wish to buy or lease land along the proposed Jamestown-to-Ellendale transmission line. And, again, residents in Dickey and LaMoure County were contacted by letter proposing a wind development called Wallflower Wind Farm by a developer named First Mile Development. They stated in their information that the

interconnection for their power would be the Jamestown-to-Ellendale transmission line.

And, lastly, I have in my possession today a letter from NextEra Energy Resources, sent to Debra Wald, a Wano Township, LaMoure County landowner, offering her a wind tower easement, a transmission line easement agreement, and a purchase option agreement wanting to buy up to 25 acres of land in the northeast corner of northwest quarter of section 21-T134-R63. By pure coincidence, I'm sure this just so happens to be the same northwest quarter of section 21-T134-R63 that contains the proposed route for the JETx power line.

When OTP Representative Chris Koch was asked at a township meeting how many wind towers and solar panels were going to be connected to the JETx power line, he held up his hand and with his thumb and index finger, and with emphasis, made a zero.

This power line has nothing to do with the reliability of the grid. It is going to be used to transmit green power to states with green energy mandates. We, the landowners and the ratepayers, are going to have to pay for it.

Transmission -- Chairman Christmann stated this many times in the working session meetings held 8-8-2025, 8-19-2025 and 10-17-2025. He stated, and I

quote, "This is kind of one of my concerns here. So our ratepayers pay to build this and the benefits are, well, there's this investment here, some big benefit, but it's mostly to whoever the new developer is that comes in and builds another wind farm. A few landowners, but not most of these OTP and MDU customers."

Chairman Christmann, what happened between your statement and your letter of dissent? Why have you changed your mind?

Let's talk about a few of those landowners who are going to benefit and have done all they can do to make this power line happen. Did you know that two of the most powerful legislators in the state and the North Dakota Legislature are going to benefit tremendously financially if this power line is built? They had legislation passed last session that takes away townships' and counties' rights to regulate high-voltage power lines and pipelines, and they made the legislation retroactive to January 1, 2025.

I have in my possession today, and you all have copies of those --

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And just to clarify, Mr. Leppert, I asked Mr. Schock not to hand those out because, as I mentioned before, I'm not allowing any specifics about easements to come in the record.

So, again, you can provide general comments about the easements, but I'm not allowing anything specific to those easements.

TIM LEPPERT: I have them in my possession today, easements signed by them and their immediate family members for wind towers, solar panels, and battery storage. They use their political influence for financial gain at the expense of their constituents and neighbors. We have the proof. It is irrefutable.

If they want all this wind and solar and battery development, why don't they and all the rest of these people who have signed easements volunteer to put this power line on their land? I'll tell you why. There is no money to be made having the power line on their property.

And I'll strike all this because it relates what I'm going to -- yeah.

I'll go down to now we need to talk about safety issues related to this power line, because I did not find one comment or question from you, the commissioners, OTP, or MDU about this issue in the working session meetings or anywhere else.

Dear Commissioners, how would you like to have a double-strung 345kV power line 500 feet from your house that runs four times the megawatts a normal 345kV line

does? I don't believe you would.

The Stutsman County Board passed unanimously an ordinance to require high-voltage power lines to have half-mile setbacks from occupied residences. The Stutsman County commissioners tabled the recommendation from the zoning board. That is when OTP and MDU mobilized their lobbyists in Bismarck and recruited the two legislators and got them to push House Bill 1258 through the legislature. Safety was not a concern with these utility corporations, lobbyists, or legislators. They don't have to live by it.

Here's a study done in the Denver, Colorado, area concerning young children living in close proximity to high-voltage power lines. This study notes a drastic increase in childhood leukemia. Known as the landmark 1979 Denver, Colorado, by Nancy Wertheimer and Ed Leeper, this study observed a statistical association between residential proximity to certain electric power lines and the increased incidence of childhood cancer, particularly leukemia. The initial findings indicated that children living near high current capacity power lines had a higher likelihood of developing cancer than those in other residences, approximately twice as likely for leukemia.

Well, dear Commissioners, this JETx power line

is a high-voltage, high-current capacity power line. Your employee, Chris Hanson, in an -- in the October 17, 2024, working session meeting, said, and I quote, "So it presumably has about 4,000 megawatts of capacity."

Really, Commissioners, that much power 500 feet from somebody's house? Are you going to believe the corporations? I'm not. They have done nothing -- or I mean done everything they can to belittle, suppress, and deny the dangers of EMF, stray voltage, and radiation issues associated with high-voltage power lines.

And now a few words about liability issues. And they were talked about quite a bit today already, but I really want to add this in. Who is going to be responsible for the liability this power line creates? The power line corporation or the landowner? If this power line kills somebody, who gets sued? Who pays? We already know the answer to these questions.

The power line corporation is going to do everything it can to limit or eliminate their liability for anything. They went to the North Dakota Legislature last session and got a bill passed into law that limits their liability, Senate Bill 2339, backed by the utilities, including MDU and OTP, to shield utilities corporations from automatic liability for wildfires caused by power lines, potentially easing financial

burdens but raising concerns about victim compensation. Critics say this will make it harder for victims to get compensation and potentially shift liability to landowners and cost to ratepayers. Again, corporations win. The people lose.

The wildfires in northwest North Dakota two years ago were not caused by an act of God. They were caused by negligence of maintenance of the power line. How can North -- how can the North Dakota Legislature and governing entities, i.e., PSC, et cetera, allow utilities corporations to force liability on the landowners? Senate Bill 2339 does exactly that.

When a landowner signs a JETx power line easement, he or she has just exposed all of his assets -- his or her assets to liability if something bad happens on that easement.

And, finally, a word about the devaluation of the property these power lines sit on. According to a Wall Street Journal study, high-voltage power lines devalue the land anywhere between 10 and 45 percent, depending on where it is located. That is a significant amount of lost equity for most landowners. Who is going to make that right with the landowner? I will tell you, nobody is. We will just have to eat it.

In closing, there has been no transparency in

regards to this project from you, the PSC, MISO, FERC, OTP, MDU. We ask questions, and all we get from you is -- you all is "That's a good question. I'll have to get back to you on that," or some other vague, meaningless answer.

We, the townships and the people, feel abused, neglected, pushed aside by corporations and corrupt politicians, all for their greed and avarice. The golden rule says, do unto others as you would have them do to you. I see little of that practiced in our state anymore.

Please remember -- I'll add "please" in there -- you are the Public Service Commission, not the corporation service commission. The decisions you make will be remembered by us, the voters.

I thank you and I will stand for questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions, Your Honor. A couple of objections, though, to some of the materials that were handed out. The first relates to "I hope this message finds you well" document. It looks like it's from someone working with -- with who, Mr. Leppert? Who is -- what is this document?

TIM LEPPERT: That was received by landowners, I

believe, in -- in LaMoure County and Dickey County or -- which is it referring to? Paces? Is that the one?

MS. FUREY: Yeah, yeah.

TIM LEPPERT: That was sent to, I believe, the LaMoure County auditor.

MS. FUREY: Okay.

TIM LEPPERT: Yes.

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, it's just irrelevant to this proceeding. It's sent on behalf of another company to, I guess, unknown landowners, and it appears to reference a large scale solar farm. I don't see how this has any relevancy to this proceeding. So for that reason I would object to it being admitted into the record.

The second is a document that was distributed which is a Calls For Service document from the LaMoure County Sheriff's Department. This document involves accusations of criminal conduct that were never pursued by the sheriff's department, and it's not relevant to this proceeding and it's highly prejudicial. So we would object on those grounds and ask that this not be included in the record.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: I recall during your testimony, Mr. Leppert, the -- this photocopy of the correspondence from Paces had to do with anticipated

additional --

TIM LEPPERT: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: -- development in the area.

TIM LEPPERT: Yes, yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: I've allowed --

TIM LEPPERT: Yes.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: -- a lot of testimony on that so I am going to allow that into the record.

And then moving on to -- the Applicants' objection will be noted for the record.

Moving on to the sheriff's report, maybe you want to tell us about that.

TIM LEPPERT: Yes. This is --

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, I guess I would object for all the reasons I just stated.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Yep, I understand your objection.

I want you to tell me generally why you -- what this is, why you think it's important. I can't really decide whether or not it comes in until I really know what it is.

TIM LEPPERT: Back in the fall of 2023, we had incidences over our farms. My farm, my brother's farm, and a farm that is uninhabited, but it's our -- one of

our farmsteads. Drones were hovering over our houses at night, 10:30 at night. We had heard and kind of gotten some information that this may be related to this power line route. Surveyors were in the area and had contacted my brothers. I had never spoke to one of the surveyors.

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, we'd object that this is speculative.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Yeah, I understand the objection.

I'll allow you to continue.

TIM LEPPERT: Well, I just want to state that what the report tells is Otter Tail officials told us one story one day and then told the LaMoure County sheriff -- well, actually, he told the LaMoure County sheriff and myself one thing one day, and on the -- I believe it was on a Friday, and then on a Monday they told us the exact opposite thing. They told us one day, "Yeah, we fly drones." The next Monday they said, "No, them aren't -- those aren't our drones." And this went on for months.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Let me see if I understand what the relevance of this is. You had some drones flying over your property, which you thought was on -- that were Otter Tail's drones?

TIM LEPPERT: We didn't know whose they were, but we -- we -- we called a number that we had from some literature, and I think it was a gentleman -- I think it's in there. George Vincent (phonetic), I believe, that we talked with.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And so you reported this to law enforcement?

TIM LEPPERT: We don't know who they are. We don't know what's going on. Nobody told us they were doing any of this.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Do you know if anything became of the report?

TIM LEPPERT: Well, they tried to find out, you know, and they were told, well, it's -- you know, it wasn't their drone. They said one day it was, and then he pursued the matter further and, you know, they -- they issued a statement saying it wasn't theirs so...

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: So, Mr. Pelham, do you have a position on this police report or sheriff's office report?

MR. PELHAM: I mean, I think there's -- there's a lot of unknowns as to the report. And I understand why Mr. Leppert is bringing it out, but I'm not sure that, in terms of the siting analysis under the Century Code, whether or not it bears any relevance to the

ultimate decision. So we don't take a position on it, but it's -- it appears to have limited relevance.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. The objection will be noted. I'm going to allow it into the record because I think we've been pretty broad with what we have allowed.

And I'll just note for the commissioners, you can determine what weight, if any, to give that report.

Moving on to -- I guess you didn't address this. You passed out a photo to us as well.

TIM LEPPERT: Yes, I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: So maybe you want to tell us what that's about.

TIM LEPPERT: Okay. Who's asking that question? Are you, ma'am? That's the question you're asking?

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: I just want you to tell me why -- what it is and why you think it's important.

TIM LEPPERT: That is a picture of three power lines side by side taken by a landowner up in Mountrail County. I don't know if the Commission is aware of this or not, but they -- Otter Tail has an easement route from Jamestown to Edgeley, an existing route with a 41kV line on it. Why didn't they use that route? That's proving that power lines can be put side by side in an existing route and used. Why didn't they do that? That

would alleviate all these problems. Eliminate it all.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right.

TIM LEPPERT: And it would be right in the middle of their wind tower field that they are developing or wanted -- if somebody wants to develop.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Ms. Furey, any other questions?

MS. FUREY: No, Your Honor.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham, any questions?

MR. PELHAM: Yeah.

Mr. Leppert, thanks again for being here and providing your testimony and your opinion here.

I'm wondering, you've provided a lot of information, and I haven't heard anything from you about the Century Code, the siting act, Chapter 49-22. Have you read that or familiarized yourself at all what the -- the actual requirements of the Commission to review on an application for a siting permit?

TIM LEPPERT: I have read it to the best of my understanding, and we've had our attorney explain what his understanding of that is.

MR. PELHAM: Sure.

TIM LEPPERT: And that is the reason why -- again, following our attorney's advice, why we have

obtained legal counsel to deal with this.

MR. PELHAM: And I guess my question for you -- well, I don't have any other questions for you, but thanks for being here.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: I'm just trying to think of how I want to phrase this.

TIM LEPPERT: Go ahead and hit me.

MR. SCHOCK: I'm not going to hit you. I love being challenged so this --

TIM LEPPERT: Go ahead. Go ahead.

MR. SCHOCK: We'll have some fun this afternoon.

TIM LEPPERT: That's what I'm -- trying to liven it up here.

MR. SCHOCK: So in your testimony -- and I don't have the --

If I can have a copy of the print, Zach.

There were some suggestions of you didn't agree with or didn't think that the Commission followed the law or the policy. I guess I'm not --

TIM LEPPERT: This is the opinion of our attorney and this is the opinion that we feel because we've read these documents and looked through them.

MR. SCHOCK: Sure.

TIM LEPPERT: And that's our opinion. That's an

opinion. I mean, you all have -- I understand have probably a different opinion and that's --

MR. SCHOCK: Sure. And I just want to address a couple of the things.

So, first of all, you have a letter from yourself, signed by a number of your family members, dated July 22nd of 2024.

TIM LEPPERT: That is a bit disconcerting to me, that my letter wasn't even acknowledged. It is a response, and that's what I stated from -- we did -- we listened to the meeting, you know, where Commissioner Hoffart stated those, that she wasn't -- you know, I don't know if she was aware of this letter.

You may not have been aware of this letter. I don't know. I know it was sent in in a timely manner.

That's kind of one of our concerns. It didn't get any acknowledgement. That's what I'm -- that's my point.

MR. SCHOCK: Sure. And I don't know about this letter specifically. I mean, certainly it's relative to a different case than what we're talking about today.

TIM LEPPERT: Sure. I understand that.

MR. SCHOCK: We've had quite a bit of discussion, particularly from the lawyers, about that topic today, and I don't really want to belabor that.

But just to kind of clarify, so the Commission does receive comments in a number of forms. Our primary preference is how you're giving yours today, is behind a witness stand where you -- it's actually considered testimony that the Commission can rely upon when they make a decision.

Letters such as this -- we get letters, emails, phone calls on a daily basis that staff receives, and we have a system that we input those into, and it's called "public input." The commissioners are able to review those, but since it's not part of the record, they cannot make a decision based upon those.

TIM LEPPERT: Well, I'll push back a little. Then why was -- why did -- why did the commissioner ask for -- I mean, or allowed a time period for -- and she states specifically in what I quoted her directly --

MR. SCHOCK: Sure.

TIM LEPPERT: -- comments or requests for public hearing. I mean --

MR. SCHOCK: Sure.

TIM LEPPERT: -- this is a comment.

MR. SCHOCK: It is a comment. I don't disagree. And I'm trying to decide how far I can go before someone objects because this is all -- this is where I have fun.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: (Indiscernible)

attorney?

MS. FUREY: I guess I would just say that some of this is a subject matter of ongoing litigation so we would object to maybe going down the route of this discussion any further.

MR. PELHAM: Ms. Furey is right. I mean, there is a pending case in Burleigh County that the Commission has taken a position on as to the PU-24-91 case. The positions have been stated. And we're here about the siting case. This is 25-236, not 24-91.

TIM LEPPERT: Again, I would like to reference Commissioner Haugen's statements during the June 18 hearing where they -- where she and the rest of the Commission denied our petition to reopen the case. She stated that there would be -- and I'm paraphrasing this now -- that there would be time during the siting hearing to speak to these things. We're not getting that opportunity now. And that is a bit bothering to me.

MR. SCHOCK: So I'm curious why you think that you're not getting that opportunity now.

TIM LEPPERT: Well, we're not getting our opportunity to talk about this letter.

MR. SCHOCK: So --

TIM LEPPERT: I mean, is it in? I mean, is it

in the file? Is it in record or is it not?

MR. SCHOCK: Well, I guess I'm not going to answer a question because that's not what this is for, but I want to -- your concern seems to be -- you have concerns that you want to raise.

TIM LEPPERT: Yes.

MR. SCHOCK: And you seem to be expressing frustration that you weren't able to raise them. And the reason I'm confused by that is because I think this is the third time you're standing in front of a microphone --

TIM LEPPERT: It is. It is. It is. Had to represent the county -- or my township --

MR. SCHOCK: Sure.

TIM LEPPERT: -- Edgeley hearing. And I appreciate you trying to accommodate me. I do appreciate that. And -- but -- well, let me just go on the fly here.

You commissioners -- the commissioners have asked what could be done better here. The whole process is a joke, that the way this is being done, the way it was done. This is the reason why Otter Tail is -- don't have their easements signed up. There's been no transparency here from them. They have done everything they can do to hide from the people what really is going

on. And they went to our corrupt politicians -- and I'll say it, that it's a fact -- and got legislation passed to push this thing -- to take away the authority from the townships. That was done. We know that was done. Heavy-handed tactics.

If they would have come -- well, I'll reference -- I've talked to Basin Electric officials and people there. They told me, "This is ridiculous. We'd have had this done a long time ago because we'd bring --"

MS. FUREY: Your Honor, objection. It's hearsay. He's speaking on behalf of the position of Basin Electric, or purporting to.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Yeah. I can't really have you make representations on behalf of Basin.

TIM LEPPERT: Okay. I was told by another -- I won't -- I'll leave their name out. I was told by another -- they are a cooperative, but they do things way different than Otter Tail did and they got things done. That's what I was told.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. So I think it's fair to characterize your issue as the -- I guess the procedure at which Otter Tail has conducted itself.

TIM LEPPERT: Well, that's what you've heard all day.

MR. SCHOCK: Sure. I just want to clarify that's --

TIM LEPPERT: That is true.

MR. SCHOCK: -- you're saying that?

TIM LEPPERT: That's true.

MR. SCHOCK: You're not saying everybody else said it. You're saying "I'm saying it."

TIM LEPPERT: Yep, I'm saying it.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. So one other question. Then I'll leave you to it. Has anyone at the Commission -- not commissioners, because they can't -- any of my staff, have they refused to answer a question for you?

TIM LEPPERT: No. I had spoken quite a bit with Chris Hansen, and he was very accommodating. I would say that. Couldn't tell me -- couldn't answer a lot of the questions because he didn't know, but he did speak with me.

MR. SCHOCK: Okay. Okay. That's all I have for now. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: I do just have one question, because I think you mentioned this on Wednesday and now it got brought up again. And I understand that this is to a prior case with a different section of law than what we're talking about today, but

just so I can understand kind of your objection, when you talk about how we noticed the -- or the Commission noticed the PC&N case, when you said this on Wednesday, I said, "Okay, I'm going to go look and see what we said," because it's in our docket. And so I have it on my phone so I want to read it verbatim.

And so when we sent the notice, we said:

"Have this notice published as a legal publication in the next issue of the following newspapers."

And then we list 14 different newspapers. And then:

"Please provide the dates of publication of the notice in each newspaper. Do not publish in the classifieds. Please run it as a news item only article as well."

So I just want to understand what is your concern with how that was portrayed?

TIM LEPPERT: My concern with that is many people that look for public notices, there is a section in the LaMoure Chronicle, that's our local paper, that's where people go to look for items like this. They may not even read the rest of the paper.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Right.

TIM LEPPERT: Up until last spring -- well,

actually, it was last winter, we didn't get the LaMoure Chronicle. There's a lot of people in our county that don't get the paper. That's the only notice people got for the -- the -- what is it called? The CPCN or whatever it is. Yeah. One time.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: And like is that -- because I know from your -- from you serving on your township zoning board, is that -- my understanding is when the Commission notices it, that's like the legal requirement with what we have to do. And I'm assuming that's similar for you guys at the township as well.

TIM LEPPERT: Well, the township never did get a notice. And we -- we sent that in when we sent in the -- you required us to send in our zoning earlier here in -- I think it was in September. We sent that in. But the townships never were noticed for that hearing and -- they weren't noticed.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Just so I'm understanding, your objection is that the townships weren't directly notified --

TIM LEPPERT: That's correct.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: -- the PCN?

TIM LEPPERT: That's correct.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. So not necessarily how we noticed it, just that it's --

TIM LEPPERT: That's correct.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: You wish it were broader beyond what the law requires?

TIM LEPPERT: They weren't a direct letter like I referred to in the first page of my thing. They -- Otter Tail and MDU sent out a letter noticing about these meetings, these hearings, and it looked like it was generated -- because it was signed by the commissioners. Looked like it was generated by the PSC.

But we never received anything like that back in '24 before the hearing for the -- granting the CP -- whatever it is.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Sure.

TIM LEPPERT: Yeah.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Not -- not directly, but it was published in the newspaper so --

TIM LEPPERT: That's -- that's all.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: Okay. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

TIM LEPPERT: I'm not fighting with you.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: And I'm not going to fight with you either. I had no offense --

TIM LEPPERT: Yes.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: -- on anything you

said. You are just presenting the one part where you name me and -- and what I said is in litigation, and that's just going to have to work its way through the system.

I do want to -- you have -- just on who I am. When you say, "So my family and my letter are irrelevant to you as a commissioner, Hoffart? No.

TIM LEPPERT: Okay. That's --

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Victor -- Victor started talking about documents that come in to the Commission. I will tell you if things are under public comment, I do read them. Get it from our PIO officer. And I've used those comments in many cases. So I just wanted to address you personally, that --

TIM LEPPERT: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: -- you are relevant.

TIM LEPPERT: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: I take my job very seriously. I know my fellow commissioners do too on -- we don't spend three days out in the community for nothing. We are engaged and we hear you. So it is relevant.

TIM LEPPERT: Okay. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: And I wish you the

best.

TIM LEPPERT: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Great. Thank you, Mr. Leppert.

Is there anyone else who wants to provide testimony this afternoon?

Come on up.

DEBRA WALD: Hello.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: I'll have you state your name for the record.

DEBRA WALD: Debra Wald.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: If you want to spell your last name.

DEBRA WALD: W-A-L-D.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Ms. Wald, did you hear me go through the penalties for perjury?

DEBRA WALD: I did.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And you understand what perjury is?

DEBRA WALD: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And being advised of the potential penalties for perjury, do you promise to tell the truth in this case today?

DEBRA WALD: I do.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Go ahead.

DEBRA WALD,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DEBRA WALD: Well, I thought I had spoke my piece on Monday, first up, but in listening, I was at the Wednesday meeting, I was -- and I'm here today, of course. And there are just three things that I would like heard.

And one thing is about the drones. I've experienced that myself. And it was in the way early -- well, maybe more after midnight last winter. I called my daughter, Alana, who is here today. Scared me half to death.

So I did a little research after that. And my first thought was, of course, JETx and all the times they attempted to come and survey and poke around. And I did a little investigating HDR. And, yes, they do use drones. I don't know. I can't tell you for sure if they did. I just assumed that, well, they have an interest out there and they could very well have used drones.

I called Alana because I was frightened and I had never -- I didn't recognize what it was. You know, it's completely dark, but lights. And I couldn't make out what it was. Why would there be any machinery? You

know, I feel that it landed up on the road south of us. And then I thought, well, I'm just going to go to bed and cover up and forget about it. If it was something that I didn't recognize, I just wanted to go to sleep and forget about it. But I will verify that that happened, and what Mr. Leppert is saying could have just as well.

And I have seen the sheriff's report. Sheriff Fernandes of LaMoure County, he filed a report about these drones. I believe, if I'm correct, and I think Mr. Leppert can -- can attest to that, that he followed one, and it left our county and I believe it headed up into Stutsman County. But I guess, you know, drones can go over land and sheriff's cars can't. But I will testify to that, that that is the truth.

And then one more thing. Well, actually, a couple. I am wondering about counsel for Otter Tail and MDU being here and we're being objected to. I thought this was a public meeting where we could say what we wanted to. You were here to listen to us.

I don't know if out here anybody has their attorney with them. If they do, I'd like them to raise their hand. I don't think you'll find anybody.

And if I thought that we were going to be objected to and not be able to say to you all what

concerns us and they can object to us, well, I think that's a very unfair advantage.

We don't know. We're lay people. We're farmers mainly. We don't know if we can object to them or if their objection is proper. I don't know that. I can only assume that it's -- well, I can't ask questions, but I'll ask it just so you can hear, is just "Why are they here?" I don't think that's fair. I don't think that's right.

That's why the Constitution has a First Amendment with freedom to speak, freedom of speech. And I feel that that is not being administered here. I don't feel that, unless you're being unruly or calling somebody a name or spitting or something like that, that we should be silenced. We are here because we have that right. If we don't talk or speak for ourselves, there isn't going to be anybody. And who knows it better than we know it?

Especially I just feel like -- you know, seven quarters of ours are involved. They go north and south, they go east. I've been contacted by at least seven corporations. Pipelines, gas lines, the wind turbines. I've even been offered a couple. And, you know, the -- the ante is always going up for me because it's almost like somebody took a dart, threw it, and it landed on my

farm. And they want to utilize it. They want it, they need it.

And I feel I have the right, as a landowner and a single person and living there on my own, to let you know what is going on and what I think should be done about it. That is my right. We own that land, we worked that land, we've raised our families on that land.

And we've said no. What doesn't anybody get about that? You know, if I tell my kids no, I have a better chance of getting a response than these companies.

I just want them to leave me alone and move it over to -- like it's been said here, move it over to the people who want it. Why should we have it when not one -- one person, aside from absentee landowners in Wano and Russell Township, have not signed up for this?

And I've been approached, I don't know how many times. Just many, many times. And, no, I'm not going to change my mind. I'm solid where I'm sitting. And I will fight for my rights. And I'm going to.

Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Thank you.

And I just want to address one thing. The Applicants objected to a number of things today. And I

think the only thing I did not let into the record was testimony regarding the specific provisions of the easements. So even though they objected to all that other stuff, it's still in the record.

DEBRA WALD: I understand that.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Okay. Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: Thanks again for your testimony. I don't have any other questions for you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: I don't think I have any other questions either. Thank you, Deb.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: I don't have any more questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: No questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you, Ms. Wald.

DEBRA WALD: You bet.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Is there anyone else who

wants to testify?

ALANA WAGNER: I just have a brief statement.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Sure. And why don't you -- I know you've already been sworn in, but why don't you state your name for the record?

ALANA WAGNER: Alana Wagner, W-A-G-N-E-R.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. And I'll just remind you you're still under oath. So go ahead.

ALANA WAGNER,

having been previously duly sworn, testified further as follows:

ALANA WAGNER: I just think you guys probably realize this too, that this is what a lot of us feel is pretty much our first opportunity to really let you know our thoughts, our feeling, what we've deduced, what we've investigated.

I mean, we are just lay people watching, reading, going to the legislature. So, you know, obviously our understanding of the laws are different than yours. We're not experts.

But I feel like a lot of the testimony is bringing in stuff that maybe has kind of been decided on because we didn't -- we didn't feel like we had the proper opportunity to bring those things up earlier on in this process. So now we're kind of all, you know,

bringing those in at the last minute, it feels like. I hope it isn't.

But I just think that's why you're getting all this testimony that maybe doesn't feel relevant today, but it was relevant two years ago or one year ago, and we just didn't feel like we had the proper notice or whatever it may be, the proper avenues to talk about it then. So now we're kind of throwing it all at you at once. And I realize some of it maybe doesn't feel relevant, but it feels relevant to us.

Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Ms. Furey, any questions?

MS. FUREY: No questions.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: I don't. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Schock.

MR. SCHOCK: No questions. Thank you.

ALANA WAGNER: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: No questions. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: No questions.

Thank you.

ALANA WAGNER: Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Thank you.

Anyone else?

All right. Well, that brings us to the end of our hearing then.

Let's see. I believe the Applicants were planning on filing at least one late-filed exhibit. Is that correct, Ms. Furey?

MS. FUREY: Yes, that's correct, Your Honor. It was essentially like a supplement or addendum to the winter construction plan to address Commission questions regarding topsoil.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: And do you want to set a deadline for submitting that?

MS. FUREY: Yes, Your Honor. Could we actually just set the same deadline for both the late-filed exhibit and then a proposed order?

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Yes.

MS. FUREY: And can we do the 20th of next month, which I believe --

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: February 20th?

MS. FUREY: Yes, which I believe is a Friday.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Yes.

Mr. Pelham, is that an acceptable deadline?

MR. PELHAM: The deadline's fine. I would just note that the late-filed exhibit is -- my understanding is it wasn't just for winter construction. It was topsoil reclamation efforts for both proposed winter construction and in general.

MS. FUREY: Yes. I think I previously noted for the record all the subject matter that we intended to include. So just for brevity's sake I didn't list everything, but I agree with Mr. Pelham.

MR. PELHAM: Just wanted to be clear. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. Ms. Furey, any other items you want to address this afternoon?

MS. FUREY: No, Your Honor.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Mr. Pelham?

MR. PELHAM: No, Your Honor.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: All right. I'll ask if the commissioners have any closing remarks they want to make.

Commissioner Kringstad.

COMMISSIONER KRINGSTAD: I will just keep my comments very brief. I know that this has been -- as some of you have kind of expressed, for us this was a long week of hearings that you all participated in, but for you all this has been going on for a long time.

It's been very long. Even longer for you all than it has been for us.

But I just want to thank you all for coming, for listening, for your participation in our process, and for giving us all of this information. It's more than I -- you know, we set these three hearings and I wasn't sure what we were going to get, but it is more than I expected.

So then the last thing I want to say is please, please, everybody, travel home safely and have safe travels. Thank you.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: Commissioner Haugen-Hoffart.

COMMISSIONER HAUGEN-HOFFART: Thank you all for participating. I know a lot of you were -- some of you were in Bismarck for two days and some of you have been at all three of these public hearings. I hope this was an opportunity too for you guys to understand some of our process that we go through. I know it's a lot of legal stuff and the only way sometimes is by being involved in things like this, by calling.

I want to compliment our staff, our Public Utilities Division. When we get an open case, an application, we consider it open and we -- us, as commissioners, cannot talk to each other or we can't

talk to the company because it's ex parte communication.

But I will brag about our staff, is when we get questions and we refer it over to them, it's not only to tell you the answer but inform you, you know, the education component. And I know a lot of times it's Victor that I call or -- and at times, Zach. We need to. We need to be open and educate and say why we do things the way we do.

And it's -- a lot of it is the law. We have to uphold -- we have to abide by the law, be it Chapter 49-22, why -- that's why we're here, is the siting case. The CPCN has already been adjudicated and it's in litigation. So that process is going to take its own.

So we want to hear from you. That's why we come out into the communities, because you guys have, as Commissioner Kringstad said, been living with it. It's also an opportunity for us to inform you too on the expectation of what we are going to be doing in accordance with the law. So it's a two-way communication at times.

So, again, I want to thank you for your time, the information you provided, and safe travels home.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Ma'am, some of our neighbors are asking how soon -- that weren't able to attend -- it will be available online.

HEARING OFFICER HOGAN: I was just going to address that so thank you. It's like you read my mind.

So after the hearing today, our friends from Dakota Sound are going to give me a disc with the audio, and all the handouts today leave with me. I go back to my office and put it all together and send it over to the Commission. So my guess is -- well, Monday's a holiday, so maybe Tuesday or Wednesday of next week the Commission will get it and they'll get it on the docket right away.

So all the handouts that were received today during public testimony, that's going to be marked as Exhibit 23 on the docket. So when you go on the docket for this case, that's where all those documents will be. The ones from -- received at the Edgeley hearing are 22. And the handouts from the Ellendale hearing are marked as 21.

So, with that, I will note that it's 4:02 p.m. and that will conclude our hearing for Commission Case No. PU-25-236. Thank you.

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