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## BLACK HILLS POWER

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### **TECKLA – OSAGE – RAPID CITY 230KV TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT**

#### *PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS*

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## INTRODUCTION

Black Hills Power (BHP) is committed to reliable delivery of electric energy to homes, businesses and industries in their South Dakota and Wyoming service area. BHP proposes construction of one 230 kV transmission line from Teckla Substation to Osage Substation in Wyoming, on to Lange Substation located near Rapid City, South Dakota. The line will be about 135 miles long running from northeastern Wyoming to the Rapid City area in South Dakota. This transmission line's purpose will be to strengthen the integrated transmission network, improve transmission system reliability by creating additional operating flexibility, and to help meet future demand growth for electricity and economic development in the region.

BHP is encouraging the public to be part of the process in establishing line route alternatives for the proposed transmission line. BHP conducted a public involvement process to gather public input and local knowledge to help in the selection of logical and suitable routes for the new power line. The following report outlines the steps BHP conducted for clear communication about the Project.

## PURPOSE

The public involvement process component of the BHP Project integrated public comment and participation with the Project's transmission line siting study.

The Project Team utilized the public's participation, generally considered a consultation role, to provide information concerning potential line routes, and provide feedback on decisions made in the initial route development process. A consultation role, as defined by the International Association for Public Participation, can be described as one in which the public is informed, shares concerns and provides feedback regarding the process itself but is not engaged in a decision-making capacity. These considerations include, but are not limited to, how decisions were made and how route evaluations were conducted within the process.

Additionally, in the consultation capacity, audiences were informed how their feedback would be utilized within the route-development process. An overview of the public involvement process for the Project is provided below.

## PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM

The public involvement process was used to inform local officials, land owners, the public at large, and other interested parties about the project. The public involvement program included three distinct activities. These activities were:

- Local Elected Official Notifications
- Key Stakeholder Meetings
- Public Meetings – Open House Format

The local elected official notifications involved identification of the appropriate elected officials and project packet mailings. The purpose of these notifications was to share information and get feedback on the project.

Key stakeholder meetings were held with three coal companies in Wyoming and a large industrial property owner near Rapid City, South Dakota. The purpose of these meetings was to share information about the project and gather land use information and other pertinent details from these companies.

The public open house meetings were held in Newcastle, Wyoming and Rapid City, South Dakota. The purpose of the meetings was to disseminate project information and gather feedback from landowners and other interested parties regarding the project.

Each public involvement activity is described in more detail below.

## **LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIAL NOTIFICATIONS**

A project notification packet which included a letter, public open house advertisement, and project fact sheet was mailed to the following elected officials:

### **Wyoming**

- Campbell County Commissioners
- Weston County Commissioners

### **South Dakota**

- City of Rapid City, Growth Management Director
- Meade County Commissioners
- Pennington County Commissioners

All information included in the project notification packets are attached in Appendix A.

## **KEY STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS**

Key stakeholder meetings were held with three coal companies and a quarry mining company as follows:

### **Powder River Coal**

- Date: June 29, 2010
- Attendees: Kevin Lincoln, POWER Engineers; Mark Carda, Black Hills Power; and Kendra Quick, Powder River Coal
- Mines of interest: North Antelope Rochelle and School Creek Mine

### **Cloud Peak Energy**

- Date: June 29, 2010
- Attendees: Kevin Lincoln, POWER Engineers; Mark Carda, Black Hills Power, and Brad Clarke, Steve Williams, Russ Hallcroft, and Dick Turpin, Cloud Peak Energy
- Mine of interest: Cordero Rojo Mine

### **Thunder Basin Coal Company**

- Date: July 22, 2010
- Conference call attendees: Kevin Lincoln, POWER Engineers and Ken Miller, Thunder Basin Coal Company

- Mine of interest: Black Thunder Mine
- Date: August 12, 2010
- Attendees: Ken Miller, Steven Beil, and Wendy Hutchinson, Thunder Basin Coal Company; Matt Davis, and Clark Hendrickson, Powder River Energy; and Mark Carda, Black Hills Power
- Mine of interest: Black Thunder Mine

### **Rapid City Quarry Operator**

- Date: October 21, 2010
- Meeting attendees: Joel Brannan, Jim Feehan, Pete Lien; Chuck Loomis, and Mike Fredrich, Quarry; and Ron Dahlinger and Mark Carda, Black Hills Power
- Property of interest: Pete Lien

Meeting notes from these key stakeholder meetings are attached in Appendix B.

Additionally, Powder River Energy in Sundance, Wyoming, was notified of the project and they attended the August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting with Thunder Basin Coal Company.

## **PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES**

The public open houses were used as a way to communicate with local residents, land owners, and other interested parties within the Project study area. The public could attend anytime during the hosted timeframe and obtain information and share information regarding their questions, concerns, and particular property issues. The open houses were an informal process which focused on a one-on-one exchange of information.

Three public open houses were held in the following locations:

- June 28, 2010, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Newcastle, Wyoming
- June 29, 2010, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Rapid City, South Dakota
- September 16, 2010, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m., Rapid City, South Dakota

An advertisement for the Newcastle public open house was placed in the *News Letter Journal*, the weekly Newcastle paper, on Wednesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> and in the *Gillette News Record*, the daily Gillette newspaper on Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. In addition, a packet of information was mailed to landowners in Wyoming who reside along the preliminary route alternatives to the west of the Osage substation. The mailing included the public open house advertisement and project fact sheet.

An advertisement for the June 29<sup>th</sup> Rapid City public open house was placed in the *Rapid City Journal* on Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

A packet of information was mailed to approximately 1,250 landowners in South Dakota who reside along the preliminary route alternatives for the September 16<sup>th</sup> open house. The packet included an informational letter inviting them to the September 16<sup>th</sup> open house as well as the project fact sheet, comment form, and a map showing the preliminary route alternatives.

Each open house included various informational stations, which provided specific technical information about the Project. Stations included the following:

- Welcome and Sign-In
- Need and Benefit - Project Overview
- Public Involvement – National Environmental Policy Act Process
- Structure Types
- Tentative Project Schedule
- Preliminary Route Maps
- Comments
- Map Work Area

Each person attending the open house received a packet of information which included the project fact sheet, electric and magnetic fields information sheet, and right of way and easement information sheet. Each person was also given the opportunity to provide written comments regarding the project on a formal comment form. All public open house advertisements, handouts, and boards are included in Appendix C.

Results from the June 28<sup>th</sup> Newcastle public open house include the following: 38 people in attendance (based on registration sign-in) and one formal comment form was submitted at the meeting.

After the Newcastle open house, the Project team decided to mail project packets to the Wyoming landowners who reside along the preliminary route alternatives to the east of the Osage substation for consistency. These packets were mailed on July 20<sup>th</sup> and included a letter, map, project fact sheet, and comment form.

Results from the June 29<sup>th</sup> Rapid City public open house include the following: 9 people in attendance (based on registration sign-in) and one formal comment form was submitted at the meeting.

Results from the September 16<sup>th</sup> Rapid City public open house include the following: 130 people in attendance (based on registration sign-in) and many comment forms were submitted at the meeting.

Following the public open house meetings and landowner mailings many comment forms, emails and telephone calls were received regarding the Project. All public open house registration forms, comment forms, emails and telephone calls are included in Appendix D.

## **PROJECT WEB SITE**

The Project has a dedicated Web site, [www.blackhillspower.com/transmission/projects](http://www.blackhillspower.com/transmission/projects), which communicates all Project information, maps and photos. It is a tool that will be used to update audiences on the current status of the Project.

## **SUMMARY**

The following list provides a summary of all the comments received to date via public open houses, comment forms, telephone calls, and emails:

### **Wyoming**

- Avoid bisecting agricultural fields and hay fields with the transmission line.
- Avoid large ranch holdings with elk habitat for Routes B and C.
- Avoid routing by homes.

- The old Clinton Line Route is a major ATV connector to other area trails.
- Need to adequately notify landowners along the old Clinton 69 kV right of way; the old right of way easement is not sufficient for the new 230 kV line.
- There is a transmission line shown on the maps south of Upton that is not there.
- The route along Highway 450 looks the best.
- The Teckla substation may be mined out in the future. Need to look at relocating that substation and connecting lines west.
- The new transmission line should be placed in the old Clinton Line Route, as well as the new transmission line should not be placed in the old Clinton Line Route.

## **South Dakota**

- Avoid subdivisions and communities with any line route – particular concerns with Woodland Hills, Black Forest Inn, and Rochford.
- Avoid resort property with line routes.
- Avoid putting the line near residences because of the concern that the line will ruin the view, might be noisy, produces EMF, would require cutting of trees, will reduce property values, and will destroy wildlife viewing opportunities.
- Questioned why not use the existing Pactola to Rapid City 69 kV corridor.
- Questioned why not build the transmission line next to the interstate.
- The transmission line should be buried.
- Questioned why private land was being considered instead of Forest Service land.
- Questioned why the transmission line is being proposed in areas where customers are served by co-ops.
- Concerned about the cutting of trees and how this might impact wildlife habitat.
- Lien Quarry – need to consider future mining areas.
- Concerned about a transmission line near Mickelson Trail – rated one of the top trails in the U.S.





## **APPENDIX A    LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIAL NOTIFICATIONS**





The Honorable Amir Sancher  
1000 Woodland Dr  
Gillette WY 82716

**RE: New Transmission Line Project information**

Dear Commissioner Sancher:

Black Hills Power is starting the routing process for a new 230kv line that will be constructed from Teckla, Wyoming to Rapid City, SD. Construction is anticipated to start in 2013 in Wyoming and to be completed to Rapid City by late 2014 or early 2015. We are going to host an informational open house in Newcastle on Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup> to answer questions and document landowner comments that will provide us information to be used in finding the best overall route for this line.

This is the first step in our process to route this line and Black Hills Power wants to provide this information to you early in the process to make you aware of this important project.

The open house will be advertised in the local newspaper inviting the public. A copy of the advertisement and an informational sheet for this project is enclosed. Potential affected landowners are also being sent letters inviting them to this open house.

Sincerely,

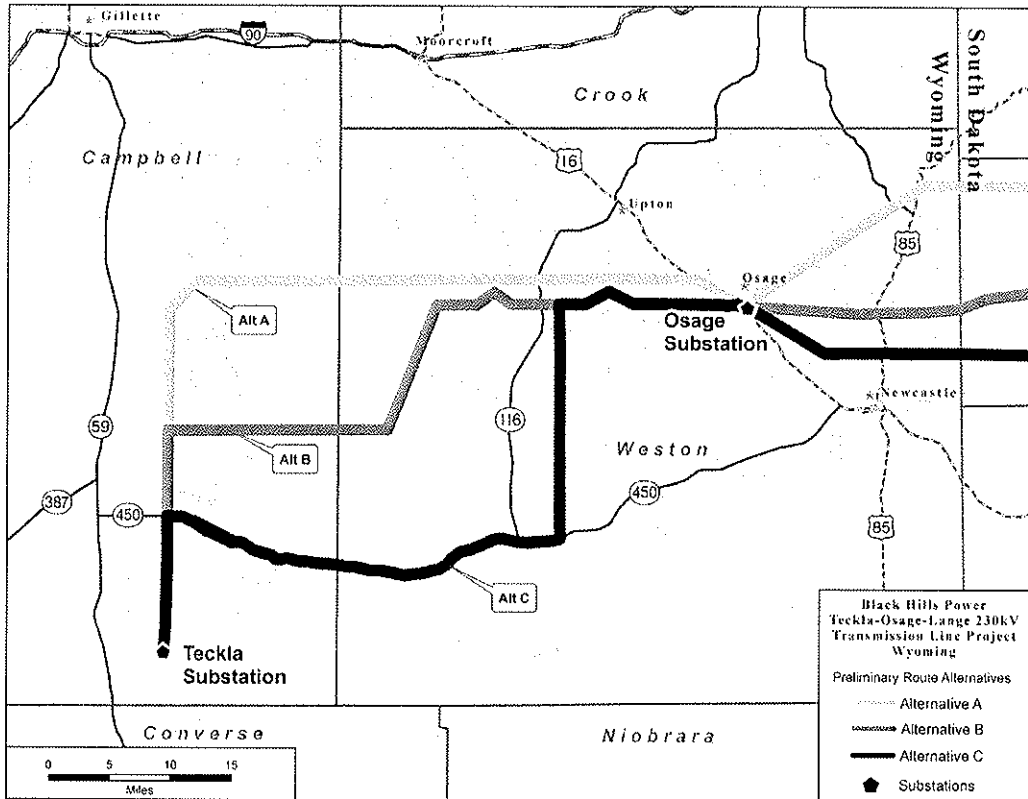
Jim Bunch  
Newcastle District Manager

Attachments: Newspaper advertisement  
Project informational sheet

# Informational Open House

Weston County Senior Services Bldg.  
627 Pine St.  
Newcastle, Wyoming

Monday, June 28  
6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.



Black Hills Power has provided the Black Hills safe, reliable energy for more than 126 years. Making sure you have the power you need is a responsibility we take seriously.

BHP is planning to engineer and construct a 230kV transmission line from the Teckla substation, located approximately 50 miles south of Gillette, Wyoming to Osage, Wyoming and then to Rapid City, South Dakota. Construction will begin in 2013, and will provide the electric lines needed to transmit electricity to your home or business.

The public is invited to review routing plans, and ask questions of Black Hills Power engineers about the project.

Maps of the proposed routes are available to view at [www.blackhillspower.com/transmission/projects](http://www.blackhillspower.com/transmission/projects).

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- Strengthen the integrated Black Hills and Wyoming transmission network
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- Be about 135 miles long
- Be constructed mainly of wood or steel H-frame structures and possibly some tubular steel single pole structures in the Rapid City area; average height of structures is estimated to be 65-75 feet
- Require a right-of-way width of 125 feet

## PERMITTING

The project will require approval from the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, the Wyoming Public Service Commission and the US Forest Service.

## TO LEARN MORE

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The Honorable Alan Todd  
POB BOX 795  
Newcastle, WY 82701

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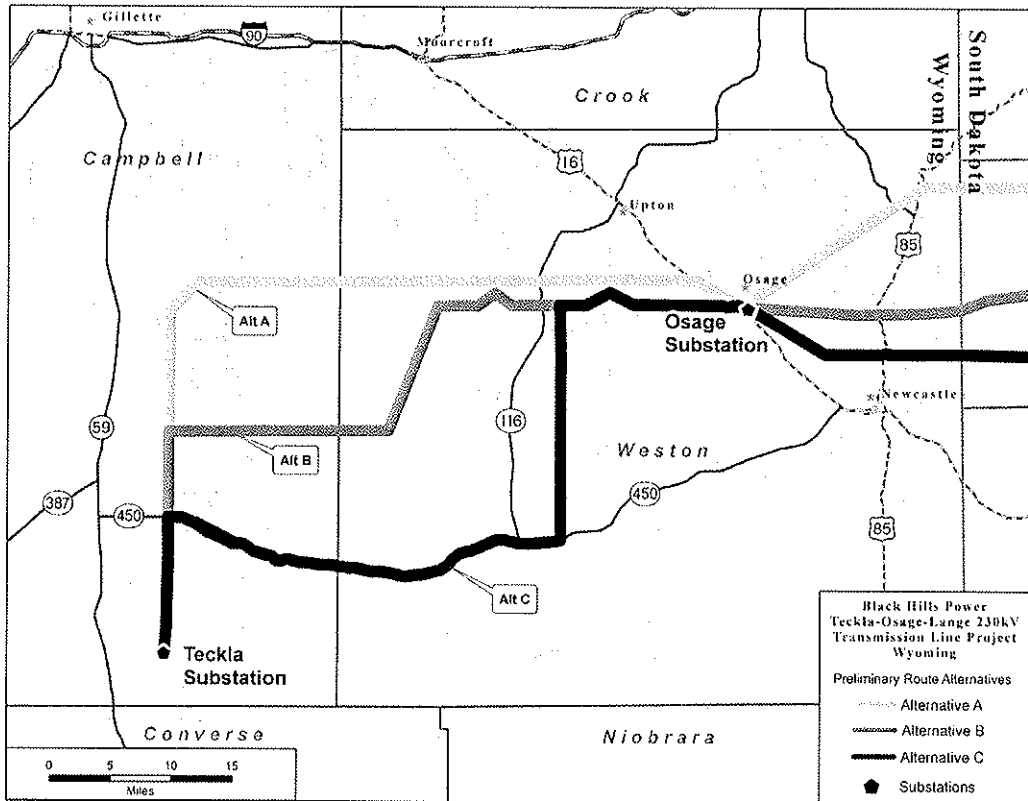
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Ron Dahlinger  
Director, Engineering  
[ron.dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:ron.dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com)

P 605-721-2220  
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July 20, 2010

Dear Landowner:

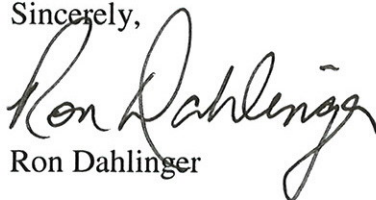
Black Hills Power is planning to engineer and construct a 230kv transmission line from the Teckla substation, approximately 50 miles south of Gillette, Wyoming, to Osage, Wyoming and then to Rapid City, South Dakota. We are in the preliminary steps of routing this transmission line and have selected three alternate routes into the terminal location in Rapid City from Teckla Substation in Wyoming. The actual construction of this line is currently projected to start in 2013 on the Wyoming end and be completed into Rapid City by 2015.

Much of the property from the Wyoming border into Rapid City is Forest Service property and, as a result, the Forest Service will have the final approval for the route taken through the Forest and they will be conducting scoping meetings in the future with the public to help them in their selection process.

We held an open house for the public to view maps showing the line routes and to discuss project particulars with Black Hills Power personnel on June 28<sup>th</sup> in Newcastle. The open house was advertised in the Weston County Gazette on June 24<sup>th</sup> and in the News Letter Journal on June 17<sup>th</sup> and June 24<sup>th</sup>. This letter is being sent to those landowners who were inadvertently omitted from a mailing that we sent to landowners previous to this meeting.

A fact sheet about this project, a project map showing the alternate routes and a comment sheet are enclosed with this letter. I would encourage you to view the project maps available on our web site as referenced on the fact sheet as the maps available there are detailed maps that can be used to see where the proposed alternate routes are, relative to your property. You can mail the comment sheet to us to document your comments that will be considered during the selection process for the proposed transmission line corridor. If you have any questions or would like to visit about this project, please call Mark Carda, who is managing this project, at 605-721-2274 or you can also contact me.

Sincerely,

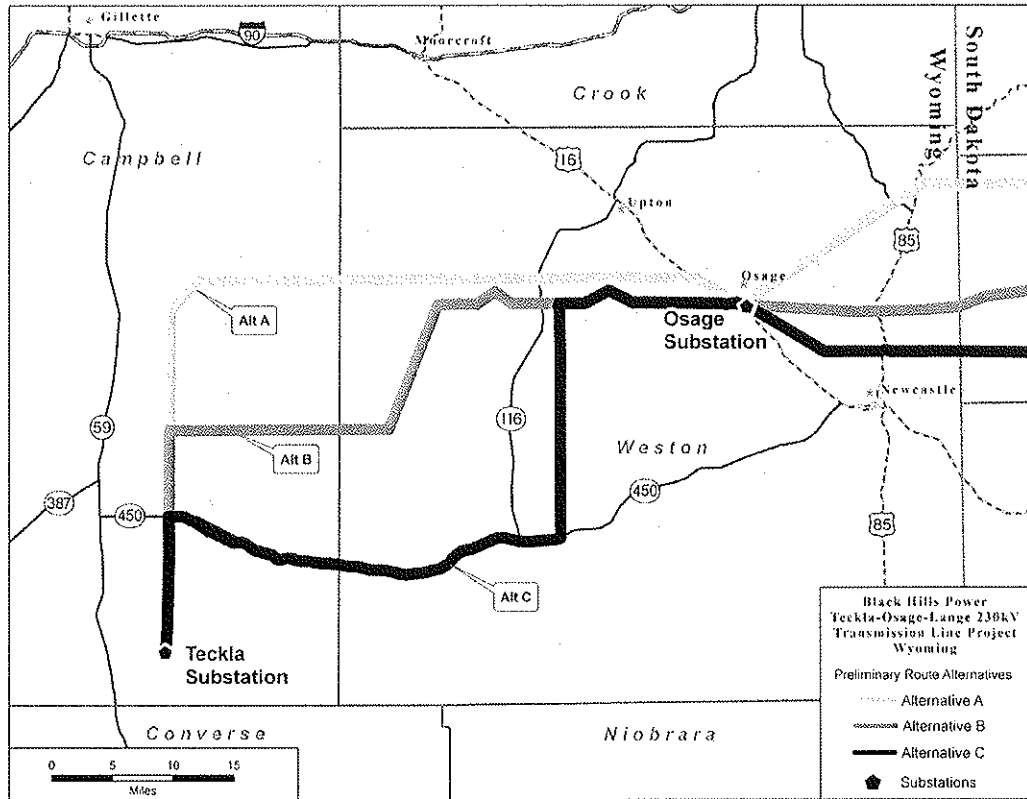


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June 15, 2010

Marcia Elkins  
Director, Growth Management  
City of Rapid City  
300 Sixth Street  
Rapid City, SD 57701

**RE: New Transmission Line Project information for City Council and Planning Commission**

Dear Marcia:

Black Hills Power is starting the routing process for a new 230kv line that will be constructed from Teckla, Wyoming to Rapid City, SD. Construction is anticipated to start in 2013 in Wyoming and to be completed to Rapid City by late 2014 or early 2015. We are going to host an informational open house in Rapid City on Tuesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> to answer questions and document landowner comments that will provide us information to be used in finding the best overall route for this line.

This is the first step in our process to route this line and Black Hills Power wants to provide this information to the Rapid City Planning Commission and the City council to make them aware of this important project.

The open house will be advertised in the Rapid City Journal on June 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> inviting the public. A copy of the advertisement and an informational sheet for this project is enclosed.

Would you please distribute this letter and the enclosed information to the Planning Commission and City Council members?

Thank you, Marcia.

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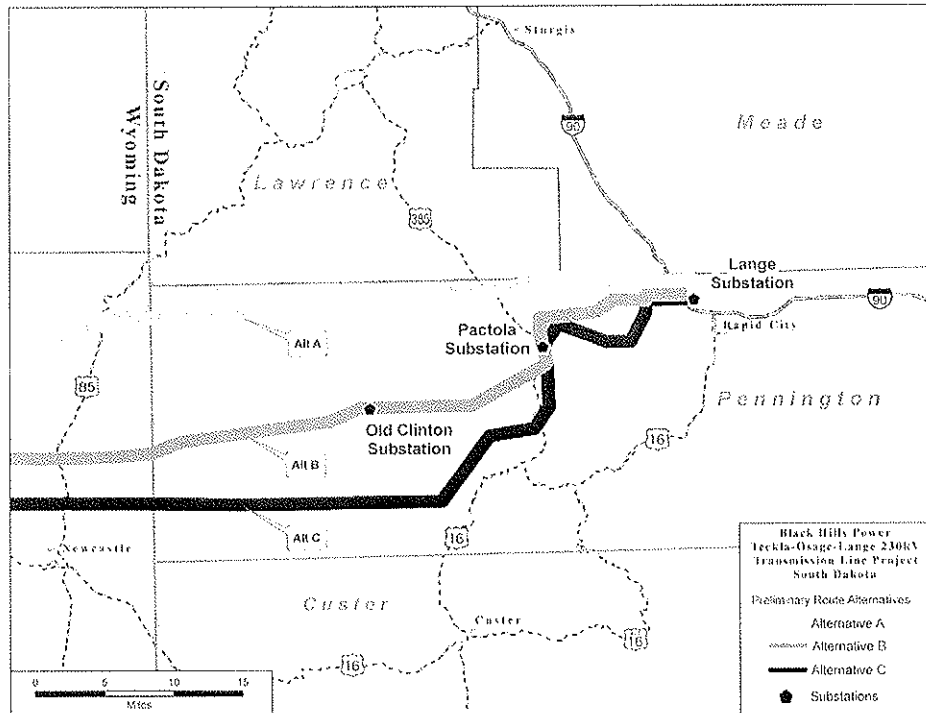
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Best Western Ramkota Hotel  
2111 N Lacrosse St. Rapid City

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Meade County Commissioners  
Attention Robert Mallow, Chairman  
20623 131<sup>st</sup> St  
Sturgis, SD 57785

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This is the first step in our process to route this line and Black Hills Power wants to provide this information to the Meade County Commissioners to make them aware of this important project. One of the proposed alternate routes is near the southern border of Meade County.

The open house will be advertised in the Rapid City Journal on June 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> inviting the public. A copy of the advertisement and an informational sheet for this project is enclosed.

Would you please distribute this letter and the enclosed information to the other Commissioners?

Thank you, Robert.

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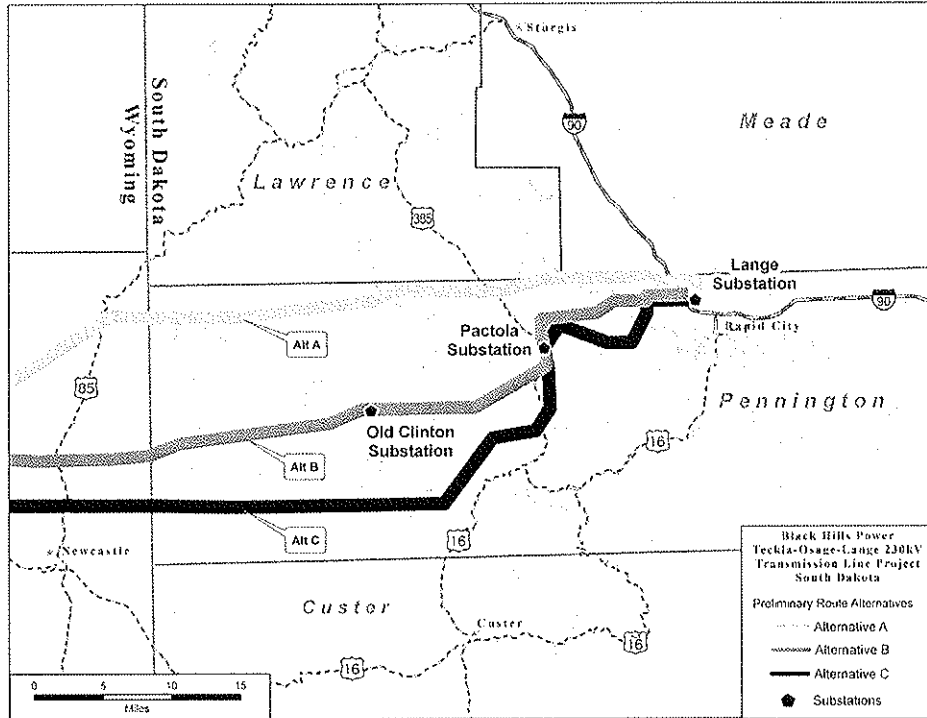
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## PERMITTING

The project will require approval from the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, the Wyoming Public Service Commission and the US Forest Service.

## TO LEARN MORE

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June 15, 2010

Pennington County Commissioners  
Attention: Ms. Holly Hennies  
315 St. Joseph Street, Suite 156  
Rapid City, SD 57701

**RE: New Transmission Line Project information for Pennington County Commission**

Dear Ms. Hennies:

Black Hills Power is starting the routing process for a new 230kv line that will be constructed from Teckla, Wyoming to Rapid City, SD. Construction is anticipated to start in 2013 in Wyoming and to be completed to Rapid City by late 2014 or early 2015. We are going to host an informational open house in Rapid City on Tuesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> to answer questions and document landowner comments that will provide us information to be used in finding the best overall route for this line.

This is the first step in our process to route this line and Black Hills Power wants to provide this information to the Pennington County Commission to make them aware of this important project.

The open house will be advertised in the Rapid City Journal on June 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> inviting the public. A copy of the advertisement and an informational sheet for this project is enclosed.

Would you please distribute this letter and the enclosed information to the Commissioners?

Thank you, Holly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ron Dahlinger". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

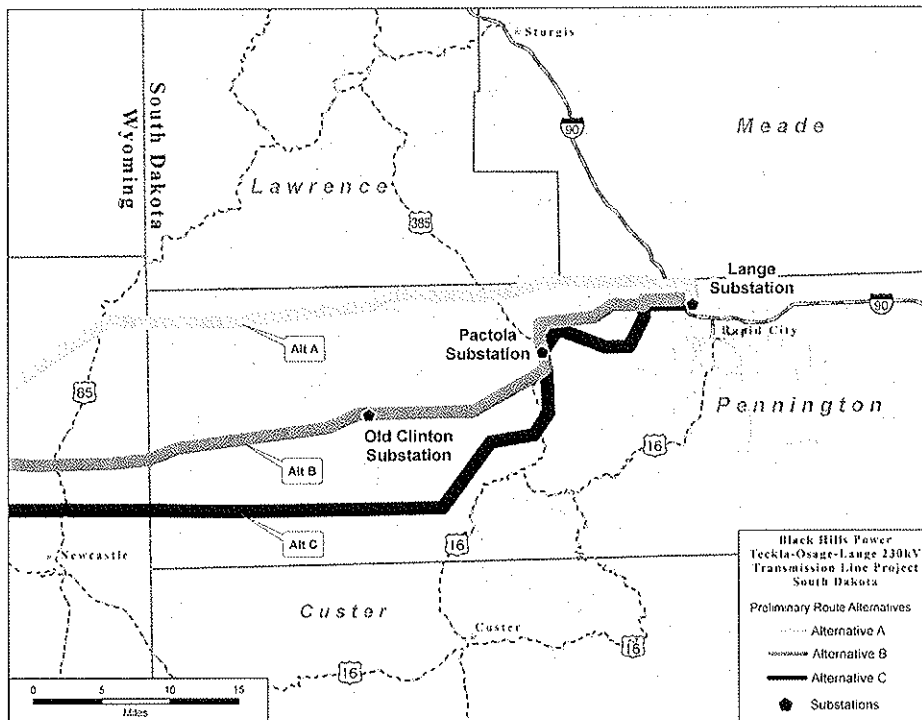
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Attachments: Newspaper advertisement  
Project informational sheet

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## **APPENDIX B    KEY STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS**





## MEETING NOTES

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Transmission Line Routing and Mining Plans-Powder River Coal, West Roundup Resources-North Antelope Rochelle and School Creek Mine		
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	June 29, 2010	<b>LOCATION:</b>	Gillette, WY
<b>PROJECT NAME:</b>	BHP Teckla-Osage-Rapid City 230 kV	<b>PROJECT #:</b>	117390
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Kevin Lincoln		
<b>TO:</b>	<b>BHP</b>	<b>POWER</b>	
	Ron Dahlinger	Lynn Askew	
	Mark Carda	Mike Walbert	

### ATTENDEES:

KEVIN LINCOLN  
MARK CARDA  
KENDRA QUICK

### AGENDA ITEMS:

#### 1. Introductions

Introductions were made. Kendra is the point of contact for Cloud Peak. Mark described the project, explaining that we need to route between Teckla substation and Rapid City.

#### 2. Mining Operations

Kendra described their current and future mining plans. They have 2 mines to the east and north of Teckla substation. They are currently mining very near Teckla substation and are keeping a buffer between their current mining and the substation because they fear the vibration from mining activities may damage equipment in the substation. Kendra pointed out that they think they will need to move Teckla substation (likely west, but unsure) within 5 or 6 years so that they can mine that area. Their mining operation is continuing in a westerly direction. They recommended going west out of Teckla before going north to avoid pending leases to the west and north.





## MEETING NOTES

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**SUBJECT:** Transmission Line Routing and Mining Plans-Cloud Peak Energy, Cordero Rojo Mine

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**MEETING DATE:** June 29, 2010

**LOCATION:** Gillette, WY

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<b>TO:</b>	<b>BHP</b>	<b>POWER</b>
	Ron Dahlinger	Lynn Askew
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### ATTENDEES:

KEVIN LINCOLN  
MARK CARDA  
BRAD CLARKE  
STEVE WILLIAMS  
RUSS HALLCROFT  
DICK TURPIN

### AGENDA ITEMS:

#### 1. Introductions

Introductions were made. Brad Clarke is the point of contact for Cloud Peak. Steve is a Senior Mining Engineer, Russ is a Senior Project Engineer and Dick is the Lands Manager. Mark described the project, explaining that we need to route between Teckla substation and Rapid City.

#### 2. Mining Operations

Dick described their current and future mining plans. They have 2 mines in our project area, Cordero Rojo in the northwest corner of the study area and Antelope in the southwest corner of the study area. Both areas pose challenges to routing a transmission line.

The Antelope mine will likely continue development in a westerly direction and possibly north, which may encroach on Teckla substation, possibly prompting a relocation of that substation. They anticipate removing and relocating HWY 59 and mining that coal with a possibility of mining as far west as Wright, WY. They mentioned that if we were to follow the main railroad north, and stayed very tight to it, the line may be safe since the coal companies generally will not remove and relocate a railroad.

Dick also pointed out that there is likely minable coal between the Cordero Rojo mine and Coal Creek mine. They anticipate that either they or another coal outfit will mine this area in the future. This is the area that Alternative Corridor A crosses. They recommended not using that alternative.

Cloud Peak also pointed out an area north of Black Thunder mine and south of Coal Creek mine that likely won't be mined. This area is crossed by Alternative Corridor B and was recommended as the likely choice to avoid mining issues. They also mentioned that Alternative Corridor C would likely be opposed by Thunder Basin Coal.







## TELEPHONE RECORD

<b>DATE:</b>	July 23, 2010	<b>TIME OF CALL:</b>	
<b>TO:</b>	Black Hills Power	<b>PHONE NUMBER:</b>	
<b>FROM:</b>	Kevin Lincoln	<b>cc:</b>	Lynn Askew, Mike Walbert
<b>TYPED BY:</b>	Wendy Hosman	<b>PROJECT NUMBER:</b>	117390
<b>CLIENT:</b>	Black Hills Power		
<b>PROJECT NAME:</b>	Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Line		
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Mining operations for Black Thunder Mine		

### MESSAGE

The brief teleconference with Thunder Basin Coal's Ken Miller regarding Black Thunder Mine last Friday confirmed the fact that they intend to mine the coal under Hwy 450 in 2020, and they will re-locate the Hwy prior to that. They also told us about the meeting on August 12 with the power companies and the mines. They have seen the three alternatives proposed by BHP and that will be the focus of the meeting.



Date: August 12, 2010

Location: Black Thunder Mine Office

Attendees:

Thunder Basin Coal Co.  
Powder River Energy  
Black Hills Power

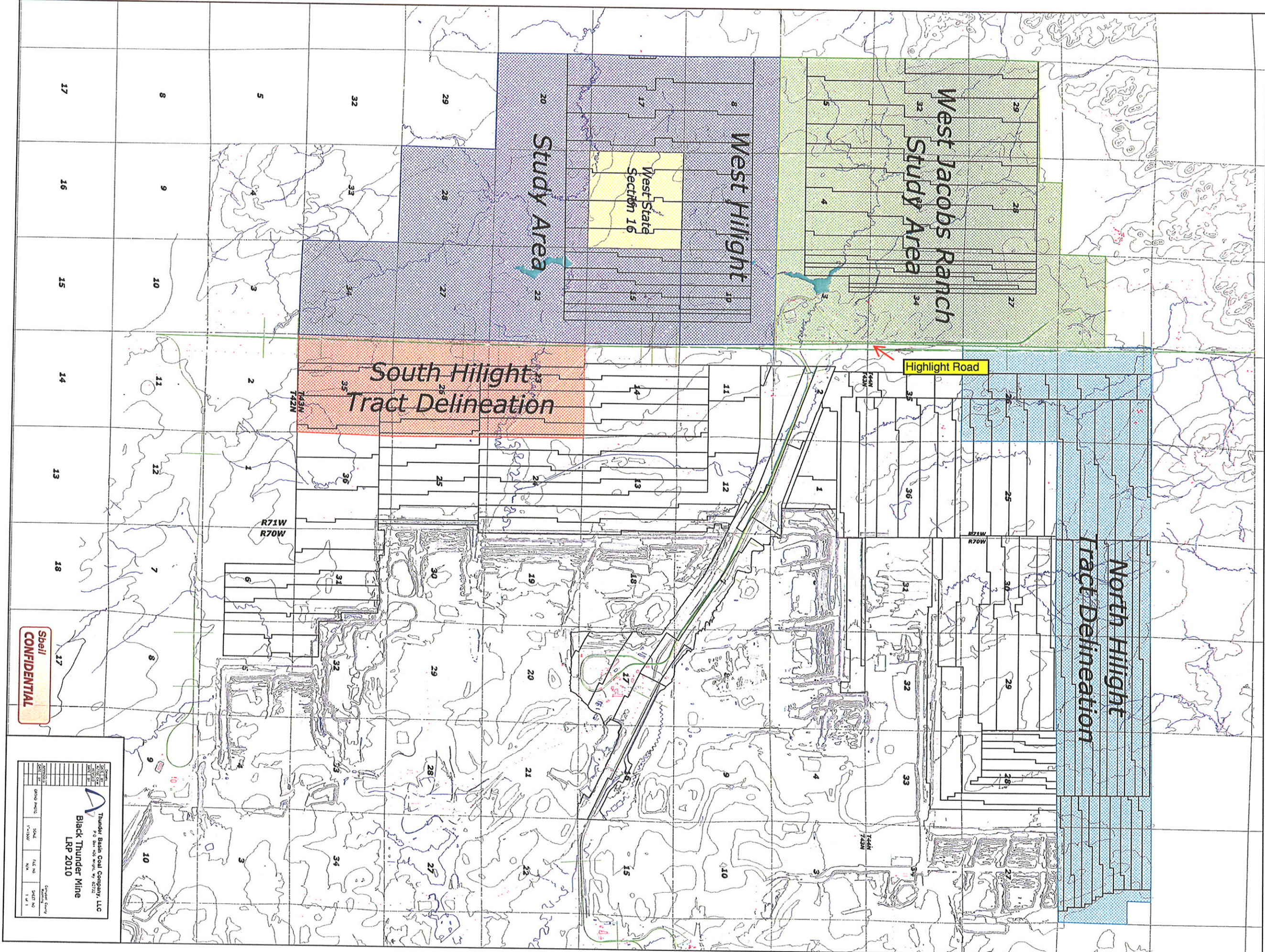
Ken Miller, Steven Beil, Wendy Hutchinson  
Matt Davis, Clark Hendrickson  
Mark Carda

Discussion Items:

1. Matt Davis discussed information related to the Teckla Substation and the potential of a future move due to mine activity. In addition he explained the amount of work required, the number of distribution and transmission lines affected by a move, capital outlay, and timing.
2. I discussed Black Hills Power's need for the Teckla – Osage – Lange 230kV line and why terminating at the Teckla substation is considered to be the best option. I also discussed planning and construction timeline.
3. Black Thunder talked about future coal mining plans along the Highway 450 route. Depending on release of the West Hilight and West Jacobs Ranch lease areas coal under and along Highway 450 would be mined in 10 or 20 years. That coal seem sits on a 1:1 ratio vs. 4:1 moving west.
4. They suggested building our transmission line along Highlight Road which parallels the railroad tracks running north and south. They agreed it was unlikely Thunder Basin or any other coal mine would compensate the railroad and move the rail line.
5. They also said that if BHP had an interest in a 100 – 125 foot transmission corridor along Highlight Road and the railroad we need to contact the BLM and if agreeable have the BLM adjust Fair Market Value for the West Hilight & West Jacobs Ranch study areas to reduce coal tonnage. Both areas are scheduled for award in 2012.
6. They suggested both Powder River and BHP consider placing facilities east of current mining operations on previously mined property.
7. Matt Davis would continue to evaluate Teckla Substation and the potential move along with discussions with the coal mines on relocation of lines.













## MEETING MINUTES

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**SUBJECT:** Pete Lien Quarry Property

**MEETING DATE:** October 21, 2010

**LOCATION:**

**PROJECT NAME:** Black Hills Power: Teckla-Osage-Rapid City  
230kV Transmission Line

**PROJECT #:** 117390

**PREPARED BY:** Kira Kefer

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<b>TO:</b>	<b>Black Hills Power</b>	<b>Pete Lien</b>
	Chuck Loomis	Joel Brannan
	Mike Fredrich	Jim Feehan
	Ron Dahlinger	
	Mark Carda	

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### AGENDA ITEMS:

Discussed routes A, B & C. Pete Lien would prefer avoiding crossing their property. If not feasible, to cross at a point that would reduce mining conflicts. Pete Lien shared a map showing current and future mining. Map had BHP routes overlaid on map. Discussion of Pete Lien's future mining plans and several potential alternatives.

Based on information received, it appears northerly route would be best for Pete Lien. Pete Lien indicated they are interested in working with BHP to find a solution and route that would work with both parties. Any route would have to be approved by the Pete Lien Board of Directors.

Pete Lien agreed to email a copy of mine map so additional planning could be done.





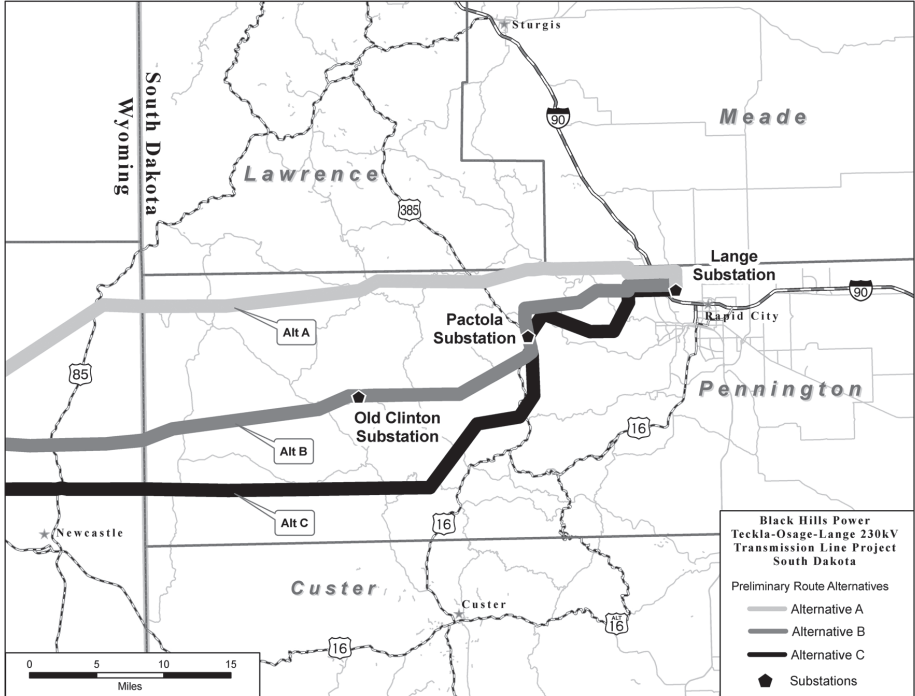
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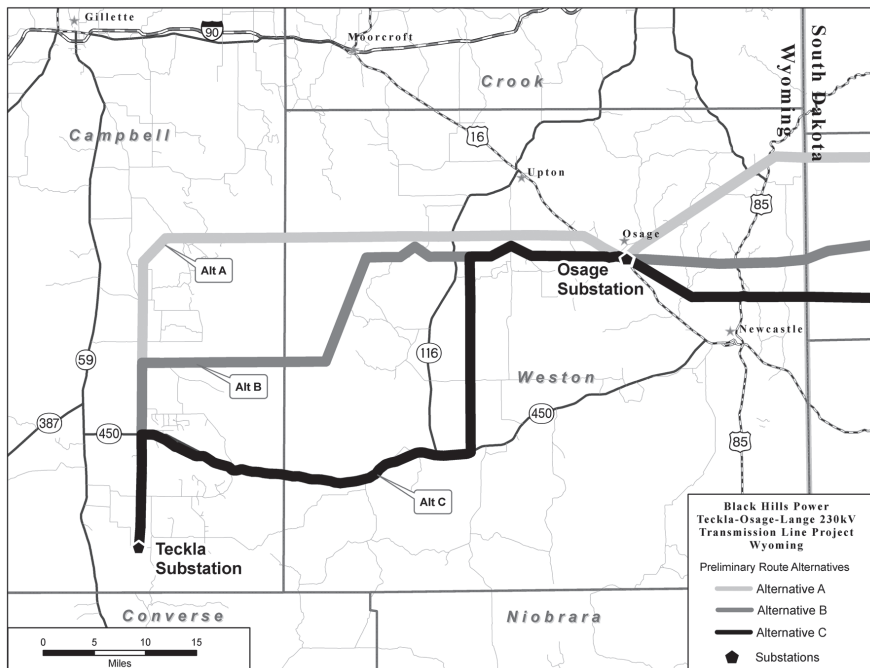
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# Informational Open House

Weston County Senior Services Bldg.  
627 Pine St.  
Newcastle, Wyoming

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# Fact Sheet • Black Hills Power

Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

## Introduction

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## Purpose, Benefit & Need

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## Project Details

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- Require a right-of-way width approximately 125 feet
- Typical ruling span length of 800 to 900 feet between structures

An initial siting study will be performed to identify several reasonable alternatives for the transmission line route; the company has not selected a preferred route. Construction will begin once all necessary permits have been received. The Teckla to Osage portion of the line is expected to be placed in service in 2014 and the Osage to Rapid City portion of the line is expected to be placed in service by 2015.

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## Wyoming PSC & South Dakota PUC Applications

Black Hills Power will be submitting an application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to the Wyoming Public Service Commission and an application for an Energy Facility Siting Permit to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.



## Compliance with Federal Environmental Regulations

Black Hills Power is contacting and discussing compliance with federal environmental regulations with the Black Hills National Forest, Thunder Basin National Grassland, and BLM.

Private land potentially crossed by the Teckla-Osage-Rapid City 230 kV transmission line has not yet been identified because the initial siting study has not been completed.

## Contact Information

If you have questions or comments about the project, please contact:

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Black Hills Power  
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# Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF) Facts

Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

## What are Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF)?

EMF is naturally present in the environment and is present wherever electricity is used. The earth has both a magnetic field produced by currents in the molten core of the planet and an electric field produced by electrical activity in the atmosphere, such as thunderstorms. The flow of electricity along transmission lines also produces low levels of EMF.

## What is the Difference Between Electric and Magnetic Fields?

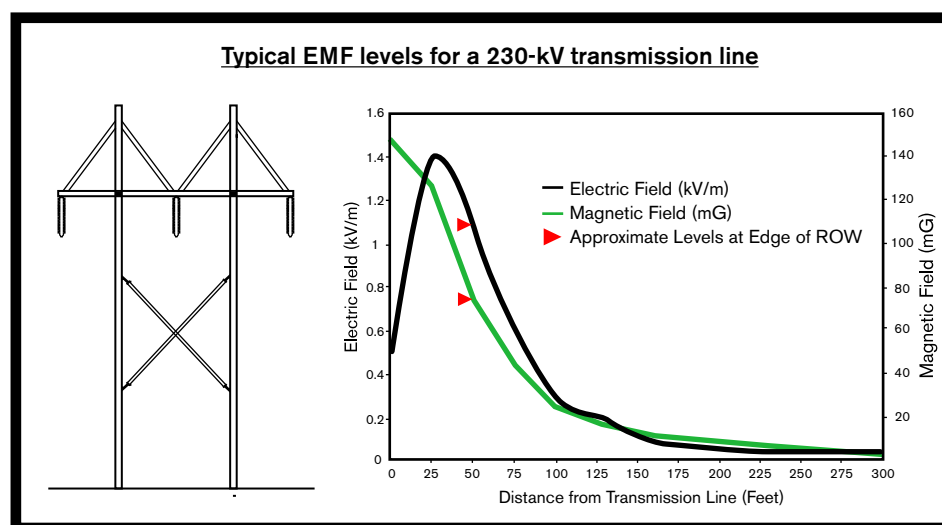
Electric fields are produced by voltage, which is the pressure behind the flow of electricity. Voltage creates electric fields around any electrical device that is plugged in even if it is not operating. Magnetic fields are produced by current, which is the flow of electricity when the device is operating. For instance, plugging in a lamp applies voltage and an electric field to the cord. When the lamp is turned on, magnetic fields are produced around the cord. Electric fields are measured in volts or kilovolts per meter (V/m or kV/m). Magnetic fields are measured in milligauss (mG) or microTeslas (uT).

## What are Typical Exposure Levels to EMF?

Everyone is constantly exposed to about 500 mG from the earth's magnetic field and 100 V/m from the earth's electric field. However, thunderstorms can temporarily increase the electric field in a given location to several thousand V/m. In addition to the earth's natural fields, the average household background magnetic field is about 1 to 2 mG and the average background electric field is 1 to 20 V/m.

## What are the Typical EMF Levels Near Overhead Transmission Lines?

The EMF are usually the highest directly under the lines and decrease rapidly with distance to the sides of the line. Actual field strengths vary with the size of the lines and height of the conductors from the point of measurement. Electric fields from power lines are relatively stable because the voltage does not change. Magnetic fields fluctuate as current changes in response to increasing and decreasing loads.



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## **What EMF Health Research Has Been Done?**

Research related to possible adverse health effects from EMF exposure has been in progress for more than 30 years. In 1992, The U.S. Congress directed the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) to direct the EMF Research and Public Information Dissemination Program (EMF-RAPID). The EMF-RAPID Program goal was to provide evidence to clarify potential health risks from EMF exposure. To date, the evidence suggesting that EMF exposures cause health risks is weak.

There are no standards established for safe levels of exposure to EMF. Some organizations have set advisory limits as a precautionary measure. The International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection has established a continuous magnetic field exposure limit of 833 mG and a continuous electric field exposure limit of 4.2 kV/m for members of the general public. The American Council of Governmental Industrial Hygienists has set a Threshold Limit Value (TLV) for occupational exposure to 60 Hz (60 cycles per second) frequency magnetic and electric fields. Electricity in North America produces EMF at 60 Hz. The TLV for magnetic fields at 60 Hz is 10,000 mG and 25,000 kV/m for electric fields.

## **Where Is There More Information About EMF Health Research?**

### **Environmental Health Information Service**

<http://ehis.niehs.nih.gov/emfrapid/>

### **Minnesota State Interagency Working Group on EMF Issues**

<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/radiation/emf/emfrept.pdf>

### **California Department of Health Services-California EMF Program**

<http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/deodc/ehib/emf/general.html>

### **Medical College of Wisconsin, Electromagnetic Fields and Human Health**

<http://www.mcw.edu/gcrc/cop/powerlines-cancer-FAQ/toc.html>

### **World Health Organization**

<http://www.who.int/emf>

# Transmission Line Right-Of-Way and Easements

Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

Landowners have basic protections under state and federal laws that regulate acquisition of real estate for public use to build transmission lines and substations. Black Hills Power will follow the standard sequence of practices described below for acquiring easements.

## Abstract of Title

The utility right-of-way representative will complete a search of the public records of all lands involved in the project. A title report will be developed to include the legal description of the property, the owner(s) of record of the property, and information regarding easements, liens, restrictions, encumbrances, and other conditions of record.

## Survey Permission

A right-of-way representative will contact each property owner or his or her representative to inform them of the project. The right-of-way representative will describe the need for the transmission line and how it may affect the property. The utility's survey crews then will enter the property to complete preliminary survey work.

## Survey Staking

After the transmission line design is completed, a survey crew will stake the line. This requires the survey crew access to your land to determine the location for each structure. They will mark the locations with surveyor's stakes. Then the right-of-way representative can show landowners exactly where the structure(s) will be located on their property and discuss any concerns related to the location.

## Document Preparation

The utility will prepare all of the documents required to complete each transaction. Some of the documents that may be required include survey permission easement, purchase agreement, or deeds.

## Acquisition Process

The utility's representative will review each property on which easement rights are to be acquired to determine the appropriate amount of compensation for the rights. In the event that a complicated appraisal problem exists, or if statutory requirements in the local jurisdiction dictate, the utility's representative will complete an appraisal to determine the value of the rights. The utility will make an offer to the owner to obtain the property rights.

## Negotiations

The utility right-of-way representative will begin the negotiating process by presenting the required legal document(s) to the property owner. The representative also will provide maps of the transmission line route, maps showing the landowner's parcel, and an offer of compensation for the easement or purchase. The landowner will be allowed a reasonable amount of time to consider the offer and respond.

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## Negotiated Settlement

In nearly all cases, the utility's representatives are able to work with the landowners to address their concerns and to arrive at negotiated settlements that are fair and acceptable to all parties. However, in rare cases when negotiated settlements are not possible, the utility has the right to have an independent third party determine the value of the rights. This is accomplished through the exercise of the utility's right of eminent domain. The process of exercising the right of eminent domain is called condemnation.

## Acquisition By Eminent Domain (Condemnation)

In any project that requires easements for transmission line construction, the goal is to offer fair and equitable compensation to landowners. The utility will initiate condemnation proceedings only when reasonable efforts to negotiate an agreement on just compensation have failed.

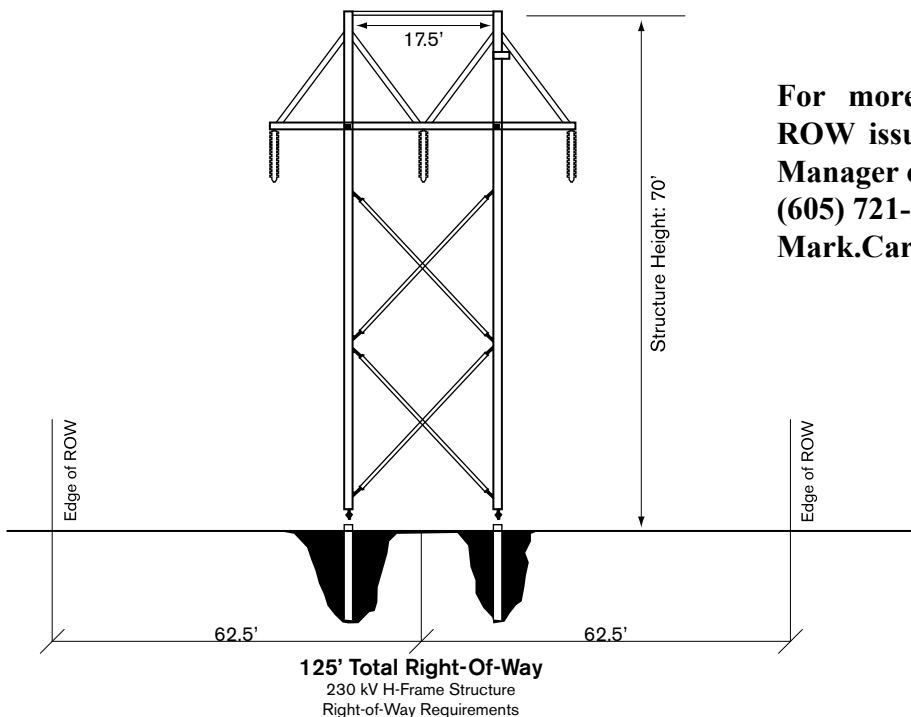
## Construction

Once the easement or land rights have been acquired and immediately prior to construction, the utility's right-of-way representative will contact the property owner and discuss the construction schedule. During construction the following may be required:

- Temporary removal or relocation of certain fences
- Installation of temporary gates (or permanent gates at landowner's request)
- Removal or relocation of vegetation, equipment and livestock from the right of way

## Restoration and Cleanup

The right-of-way representative will contact each property owner after construction is completed to see if any damage has occurred as a result of the utility's project. If damage has occurred to crops, fences, or the property, the utility will reimburse the landowner fairly for the damages. In some cases the utility may engage an outside contractor to restore the damaged property as near as possible to its original condition.



**For more information or questions on ROW issues, please contact Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering at (605) 721-2274, or [Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com).**



### What is an easement?

An easement is a permanent land right acquired by a person or party to use the land or property of another for a special purpose. Landowners are paid for the easement and can continue to use the land for most purposes, such as agriculture and lawns.

### How wide will the right-of-way need to be for the proposed transmission line?

Black Hills Power is proposing to acquire an easement 125-feet-wide. This will include the right to install down guys and anchors outside this strip of land.

### What is the difference between a right-of-way and an easement?

These terms are used interchangeably. But an easement is the document that transfers the permanent land right, and the right-of-way is the land area described in the easement on which the facilities are located.

### What easement rights will be needed for the transmission line construction?

A transmission line project requires an easement that allows for surveying, constructing, operating, and maintaining a transmission line across a defined strip of the landowner's property.

### What landowner activities are allowed within the easement area?

Land within the right-of-way may be used for any purpose that does not interfere with constructing or operating the transmission line. In agricultural areas, the land may be used for crop production and pasture. In areas where the land will be developed, streets, lawn extensions, underground utilities, curb and gutters, etc., may cross the right-of-way with the utility's permission.

### What are the main building and planting restrictions in the easement?

The primary building and planting restrictions prohibit constructing buildings or structures within the right-of-way strip and planting tall growing species of trees in the right-of-way strip.

### Why can't buildings or tall-growing vegetation be placed in the right-of-way?

If a building, structure or tall-growing vegetation located within the right-of-way were to catch fire, it could burn into the transmission line and take it out of service for an extended period. Additionally, tall-growing vegetation can cause interruptions in service if they grow into or fall on the transmission line. When a power line is out of service it affects thousands of people who are not able to heat and light their homes or businesses. At certain times of the year, especially during winter months, outages not only are an inconvenience, but they may become life-threatening. Utilities have determined that the best way to prevent the possibility of these types of outages is to restrict structures and vegetation within the right-of-way. In addition, if an outage occurs, line workers must be able to get to the line. Buildings or other structures and dense vegetation within the right of way could hamper line maintenance crews and slow repairs to downed lines.

### Why doesn't the utility buy a strip of land for the line instead of taking an easement interest?

Utilities occasionally purchase rights-of-way for transmission lines in fee title. However, we have found that in most cases, landowners prefer to retain ownership of the property so they can maintain better control over its use, subject to the limitations of the transmission line easement. In many cases, this provides the landowner with continued use of the property for such things as agricultural operations, yard extensions, or open areas adjacent to residences. In each of these cases, the property continues to contribute positively and productively to the owner as well as to the public. Utilities simply must protect their rights to operate transmission lines. In most cases, adjacent uses pose no threat to the lines nor do they create hazards to the public.

**For more information or questions on ROW issues, please contact Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering at (605) 721-2274, or [Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com).**







# Project Need and Benefits

**The proposed Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line project will:**

- Strengthen the integrated transmission network.
- Improve transmission system reliability by creating additional operating flexibility.
- Help meet future demand growth for electricity and economic development of the region.



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# Public Involvement

National Environmental Policy Act Process

## To be conducted by Black Hills National Forest and Thunder Basin National Grassland

- Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) posted in Federal Register/Local notices
- Public Scoping Period
- Preparation of Draft EIS
- Notice Of Availability of Draft EIS posted in Federal Register/Local notices
- Receive public comments on Draft EIS
- Public Meetings(s) (at lead agency option)
- Revise EIS if necessary based on public comments/respond to comments
- Prepare and distribute final EIS and Record of Decision

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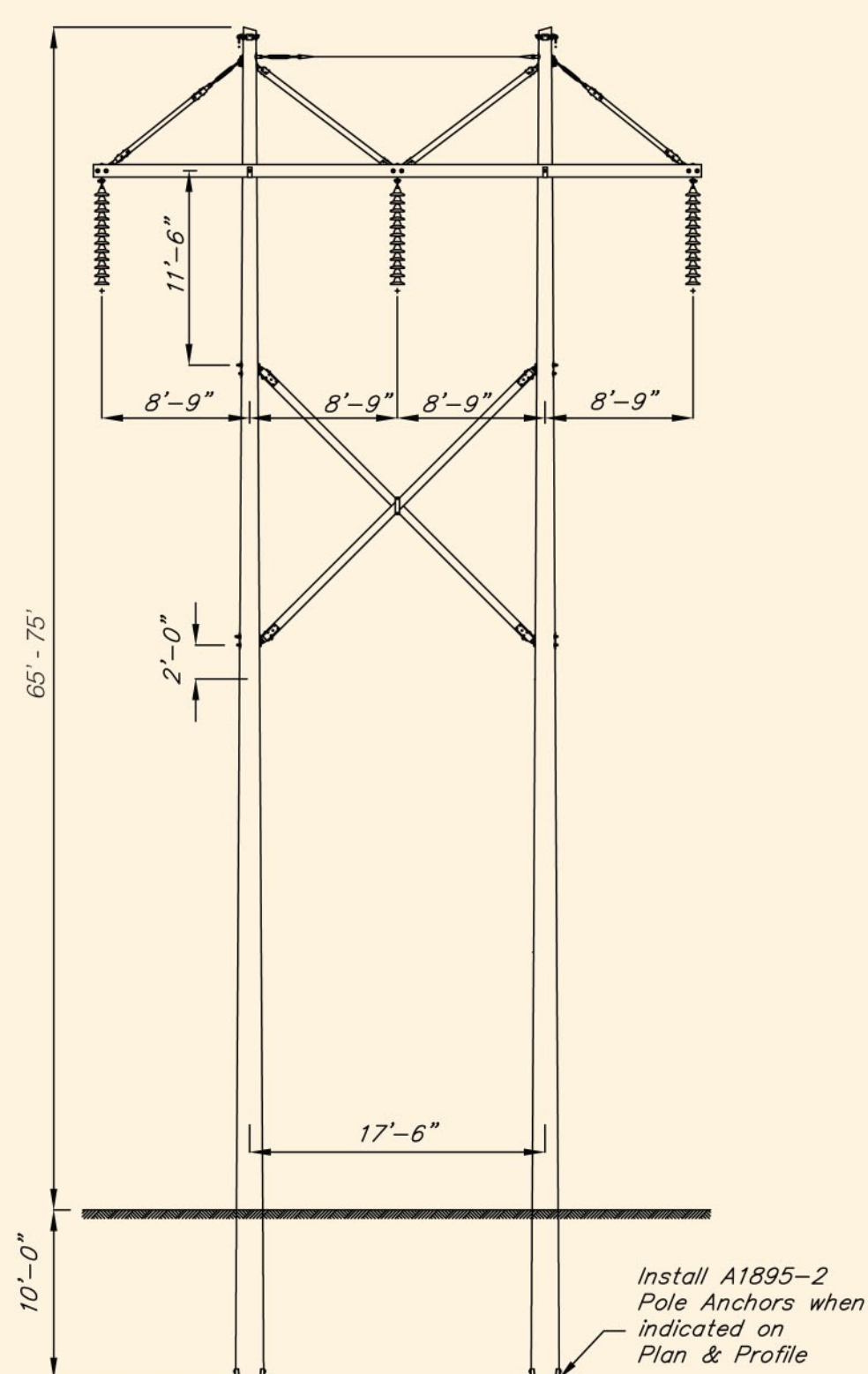




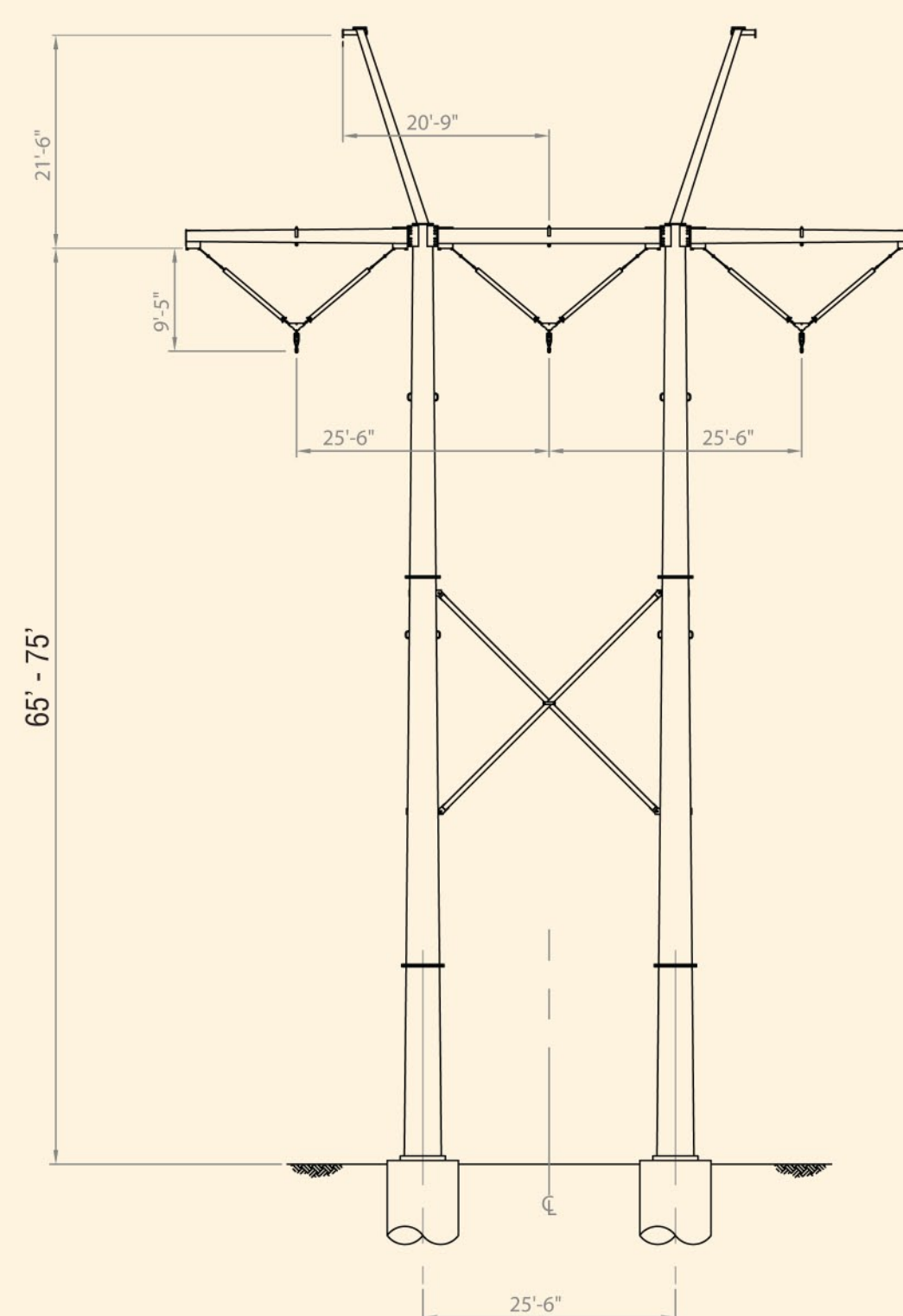


# Structure Types

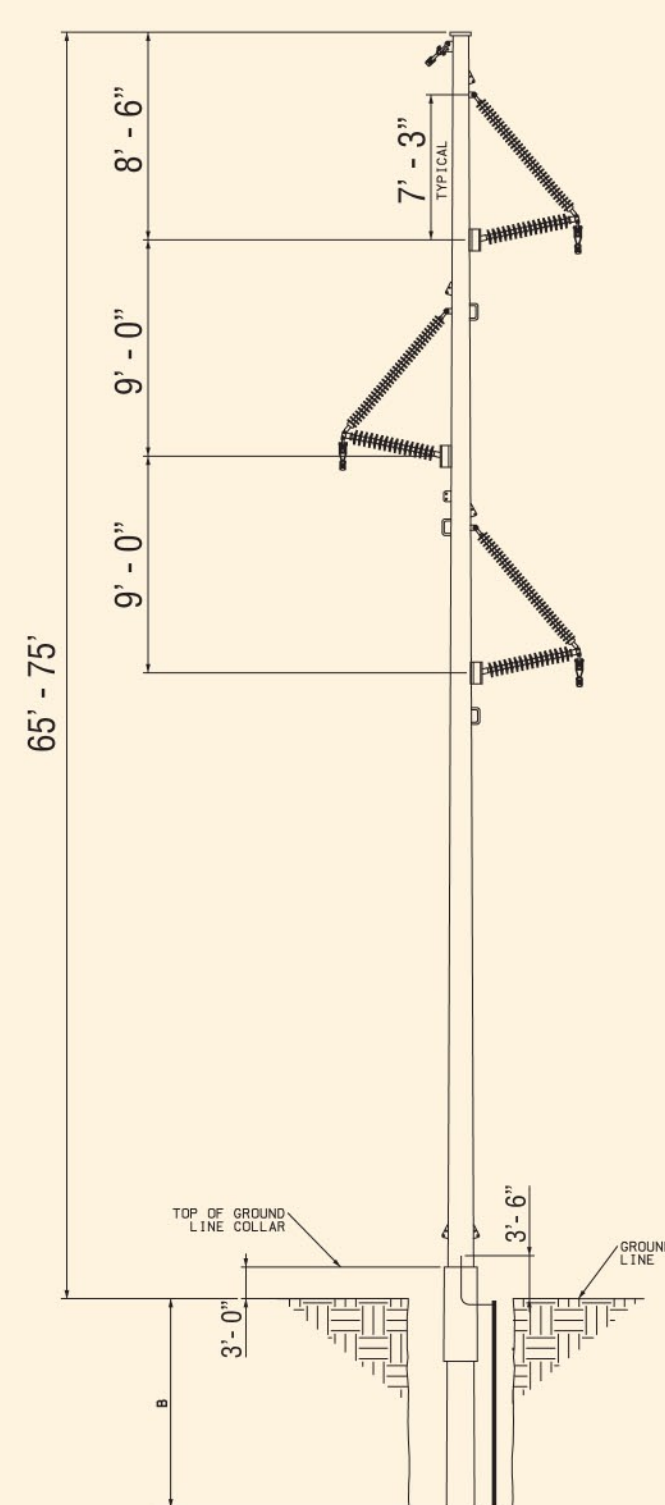
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Steel H-Frame



Tubular Steel Single Pole



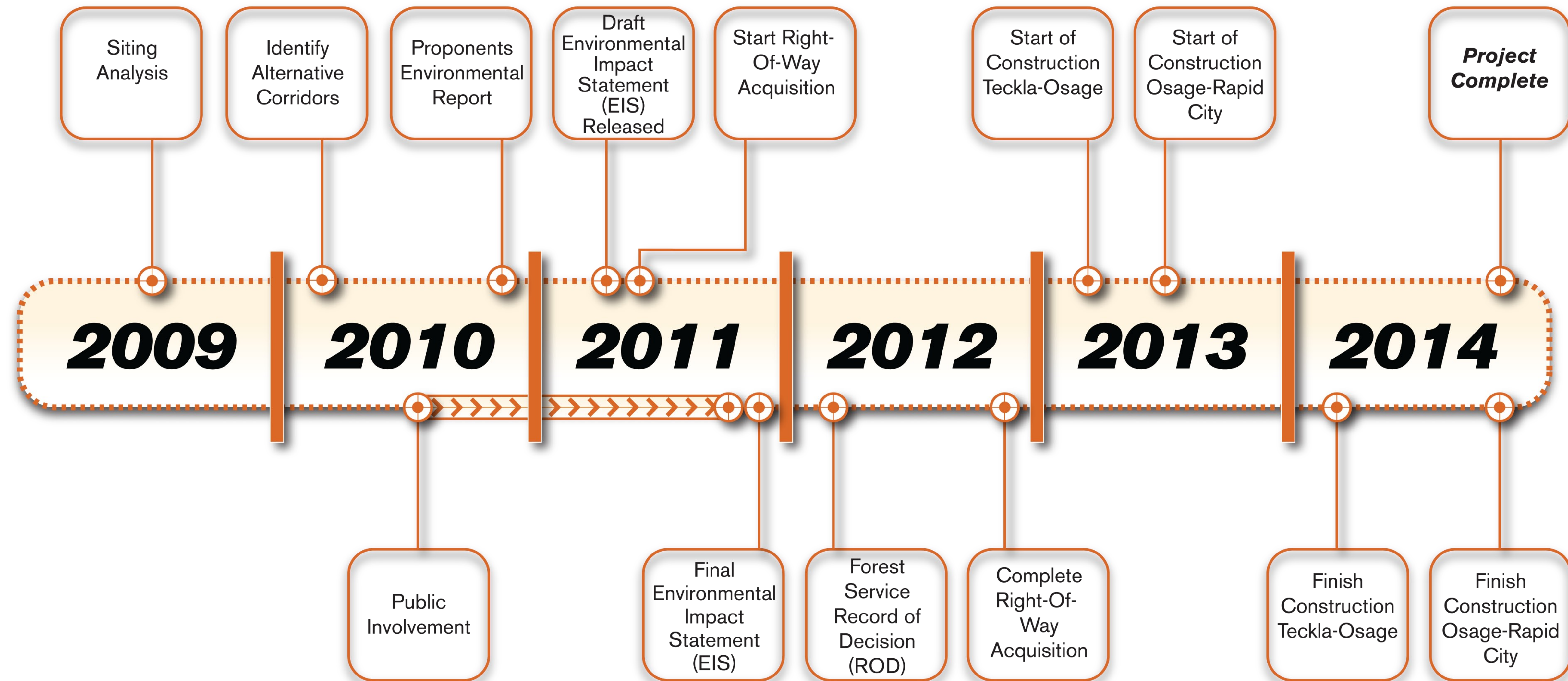
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# Tentative Project Schedule



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## **APPENDIX D    PUBLIC COMMENTS**



# E-mail

Name	Mailing Address	Phone Number
Jennie Shepperson	Box 305 Upton WY	468-2225
Wanda Elliott	509 Mush Creek, Newcastle WY	746-9483
Roger + Sharon Johnson	PO Box 758 Upton WY	468-2226
JAMES WARTENS	Box 214 UPTON WY	746 5977
ALAN Todd	Box 785 Upton WY	468 2553
Jerry Shepperson	Box 614 Upton WY	468-2723
Nate Todd	841 Raven Creek Upton WY	746-3058
Bob Branner	23284 US Hwy 85	746-8726
Carole Boas	10169 ELK Mtn Rd Dewey	744-2245
Pat Hollenback	27669 Dewey Rd. <sup>Edgemoor</sup> WY	605 840-6289
Charles + Ann Westley	Box 51 Upton WY	307-751-2244
Fanni Blair Bishop	Box 16 Road WY 82845	307-660-5305
Mike Rotgen	25090 Hwy 85 Newcastle WY	307-746-3609
Dwight Elliott	366 Mush Creek Rd	307-746-2045

jindskelliott@hotmail.com

REMARK@IZICOM.NET

editor@newsj.com

carole@elkmt.info

jtr@rangelweb.net

Name	Mailing Address	Phone Number
Lynn Kolund * DAN MARK	330 Mt Rushmore Custer	cell 605-673-1927 - Forest Service
Dave Schultz	245 70th Ave	307-468-2490
Cory Peterson Richard W Jr Janelle D	Box 301 Upton Wy	307 468-2878
KEN & BECKY ATOR	65 PINE TOP	746-2582
Terry DeBeer	1025 Wood ST #1	746-3634
Arvy Colvard	2736 Hwy 450 Newcastle	746-9171
Tracy Jones	P.O. 930, Sundance	283-4951 - NEWYSE/PRECORP.
Bruce Garrett	262 UNCOLN ST LARDER	307-348-2423 WYO OUTDOOR COUNCIL
MICHAEL TURNER	325 GRIMMAN RD	746 2592
Bobbie Williams Patricia Williams	833 So. Summit	941-1208-941-0744
Joe Sandrini	P.O. Box 615	746-2102

\* did not get letter.

Name	Mailing Address	Phone Number
WYNNE CHRISTENSEN	90 Christensen Rd	746-2019
Stan Sostum	PO Box 705	746-2374
SHERON SANDRINI	P.O. 615 Newcastle	746-4324
LOU SANDRINI		
Paul Schueler	P.O. Box 561 Newcastle	746-3665
MICHAEL SANDRINI	Box 527 Newcastle	746-2340





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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Candy KEELINE HARDESTY

Address:

P.O. Box 51

City/State/Zip:

WYARNO, WY 82845

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I would strongly object + discourage Route B as it goes thru "virgin" undeveloped land - it is a trophy EIK HABITAT.

Route C would go along Hwy 450 and be so much better than B

We own land in both of these routes

(Please see back)

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

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**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**



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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Ronnie Heind

Address:

23447 N Hwy 85

City/State/Zip:

Newcastle WY 82701

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I believe going down the old ROW from Osage → Old Clinton Sub → to Pactola then to RC would be & should be the Route Used. As most of the ROW should all ready be in place and would be the most direct Route.

I will only be able to support Route B

Thank you,

Ronnie Heind 7.27.2010

(Please see back)

RONNIE & DEBRA HEIN  
BOX 884  
NEWCASTLE, WY 82701

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TECKLA-OSAGE-RC

CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS

Owner (s)

JIM HOFFMAN Date 7/23/10

Time \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #

1-605-868-2923

Type of Contact

\_\_\_\_\_

Witness Present

\_\_\_\_\_ Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description

\_\_\_\_\_ S 25 T 48N R 61W

\_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

Comments and Remarks:

S25T48NR61W CORNER TO EAST

OWNLANDS @ S25/S30 ROUTE A

HAS LAND IN THAT AREA.

(ROUTE WY70, MILE 17 & 18) pg. 13



CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS

Owner (s)

LARRY MARTINI

Date 7/26/10

Time 1:30

Telephone #

1-307-746-4156

Type of Contact

Witness Present

Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description

PROPERTY  
" "

S 17 T 46 R 61W

S 8 T 46 R 60W

S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

BETWEEN-OSAGE & STATE LINE

Comments and Remarks:

ALTERNATE B GOES ACROSS LAND IN SEC 17, 46, R61W/  
HAS HOME IN THAT SECTION.  
DOES NOT LIKE ALTERNATE 'B'





CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS

Owner (s)

CLYDE RUSSELL Date 8/3/10

Time \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #

1-307-464-0749

Type of Contact

Witness Present

Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description

S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

Comments and Remarks: WYOMING OWNER

RECEIVED VOICE MAIL

DOESN'T HAVE A COMPUTER AND WOULD LIKE TO  
HAVE MAP MAILED.

ALSO SAID THAT ANY ROW WOULD ONLY COME  
AFTER A FIGHT. BUT HAD WRONG HIM IN THE  
PAST.



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## Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name: WEINREIS BROTHERS DEVELOPMENT

Address:

PO BOX 367

City/State/Zip:

MINATARE NE 69356

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

THE WYOMING CLUB IS NEARING THE FINAL PERMITTING STAGES OF AN UPSCALE RESORT, GOLF AND SPORTING CLUB COMMUNITY LOCATED ON (SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION) IN WESTON COUNTY WYOMING.

A FAIR AMOUNT OF ROAD WORK, TREE CLEARING AND THINNING IS COMPLETE AS WELL AS A MADISON WELL THAT IS NEARING COMPLETION.

WEINREIS BROTHERS WOULD HAVE GREAT CONCERN IF AN OVERHEAD TRANSMISSION LINE WAS TO BE ROUTED THROUGH THIS PROPERTY.

PLEASE CONFIRM WHETHER OR NOTE THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION ATTACHED IS INVOLVED IN ANY OF THE PROPOSED TRANSMISSION ROUTES.

*Chuck Weinreis*

*8-3-10*

*chuck@cowtownusa.net* (Please see back)

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WEINREIS BROTHERS DEVELOPMENT

***1. Description of Property:***

***Township 45 North, Range 61 West of the 6th P.M.***  
***Section 3: Lots 3 and 4, S1/2NW1/4***

***Township 46 North, Range 61 West of the 6th P.M.***  
***Section 26: SW1/4, S1/2, SE1/4***  
***Section 27: SE1/4, S1/2SW1/4***  
***Section 33: NE1/4NE1/4***  
***Section 34: All***  
***Section 35: NW1/4, N1/2NE1/4, NW1/4SW1/4***  
***All in Weston County, State of Wyoming.***



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## Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

Michael E. Worden

Address:

59 Pine Top Drive, P. O. Box 627, Newcastle, WY 82701-0627

City/State/Zip:

Newcastle, WY 82701-0627

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☐ Project flyer

☒ Other Phone Call from PHPL Manager

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I moved to Pine Top Estates in 2003 thinking this was THE place to build. Only one power line existed, no fences, and neighbors were few. I knew that neighbors would continue to build on the lots in the neighborhood and was accepting of that fact. With the building of fences to the South of Pine Top Drive and other neighbors outside of Pine Top Estates, the pristine, live in the woods feeling began to disappear. The Wyoming Club has since started construction on their project across the Salt Creek Valley from us, and will forever change our view. I felt strong enough when building my own home that all utilities are buried under

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

ground.

The reasoning behind doing this besides the view was the number of trees we would have to sacrifice in order to have an electrical connection to our house.

With the construction of BHPL's new 230 KV transmission line I again feel threatened with another encroachment on my private property rights. The fact that eminent domain can cross my property and cut down my trees for safety reasons reinforces the feeling that I have lost my spot in paradise.

I would ask that your transmission line be constructed at least one mile South of our turn off from the highway by the scenic turn out North of Newcastle. No trees in a considerable distance would need to be sacrificed, as well it will be built a fair distance from homes along the edge of this corridor.

Michael E. Warden

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Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709



CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

**RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS**

Owner (s)

LARRY PARKER Date 8/26/10

Time \_\_\_\_\_

parkerlarry@rtconnect.net

Telephone #

307-746-3201

Type of Contact

\_\_\_\_\_

Witness Present

\_\_\_\_\_ Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description

E 1/2 SE 1/4 S 33 T 46N R 61W

SE 1/4 NE 1/4 S 33 T 46N R 61W

\_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

Comments and Remarks:

WAS LOOKING FOR MORE INFO. (BETTER MAP), SHOWING  
LINE. BHP WEB-SITE TO SMALL

TOLD HIM I WOULD EMAIL LARGE MAP PAGE.

I SENT PROJECT PAGE 12. PROPERTY IS ON ROUTE 0.  
MILE 12-13.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Robert & Shelley Williamson

Address:

A Navajo - P.O. Box 628

Route no WYO 90

City/State/Zip:

Newcastle, WY 82701

proposed to build

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☒ Other phone call by Jim

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We own property at 282 Oil Creek, near Four Mile Creek. The power lines already go over our property between Schuglers & Williamsons and we have a proposed building site near the power poles upon top north of the poles. We have already built a road & have been trying to decide the final site of our 2/3 Bedroom Home & Garage. We need our requests for direction of the line to be taken very seriously. Placement

It's a great place to build. (Please see back)

Also, How much power is given out if we do build?

Are there voltage tests?

(Damage to people who live nearby.)





2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

LOT 2 S34, T46N, R62W

282 OIL CREEK ROAD

Please return this comment form to the Comment Table or fold, tape, and mail to the address below.

**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering**  
**Black Hills Power**  
**PO Box 1400**  
**Rapid City, SD 57709**

by 9/1/00

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Mark Pieloch

Address:

P.O. Box 326

City/State/Zip:

Syracuse, NE 68446

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

To minimize the environmental impact and the impact to wildlife, I would recommend

Alternative C as #1 Priority

Alternative B as #2 Priority

Alternative A as #3 Priority

Thanks,

Mark Pieloch

07-26-2010

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Leke Hoch

Address:

PO Box 83

City/State/Zip:

Deadwood, SD 57732

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I am concerned that a transmission line crossing my property would affect its value and pose a risk for damage (erosion caused by equipment and vehicles, possible fire)

I would not want to live and raise a family close to such an installation as I believe in its adverse effect on the human health.

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This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: Russell D. Davis

Address: 935 Beaver Creek

City/State/Zip: New Castle, Wyo. 82701

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

no comment

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# Registration

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Name	City	ADDRESS
1. Rost, Mary + Denver	6907 Ridgerview Dr.	Black Hawk SD
2. JUSTIN PATEA - BH Fox News	7200 Skyline Dr.	bos 5771'85 394-1777 x130
3. Allen Donald	6790 Namross Car Rd.	R.C. 57702
4. Mark Reddick	P.O. Box 499	Hill City
5. David <del>Barber</del> Lepikoff	USF.S. -	
6. CHUCK ELLINGTON	1355 KINGS RD	RC SD 57702
7. Marcia Elkins	300 Sixth St	RC SD 57702
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## Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name: MARK RUDDEFORTH

Address: 23570 HWY 385 / P.O. BOX 499, HILL CITY, SD 57745

City/State/Zip: HILL CITY 57745

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☒ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

- ☐ Website  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

IF ALTERNATIVE C IS CHOSEN IT SHOULD FOLLOW  
THE EXISTING 69KV LINE JUST NORTH OF SHERIDAN  
LAKE ROAD AND HWY 385. OUR PROPERTY, HORSE CREEK  
INN RESORT, LIES WITHIN THE ALTERNATIVE C  
CORRIDOR. IF THE NEW LINE WERE TO CROSS  
OUR PROPERTY IT WOULD AFFECT THE RESTAURANT,  
RENTAL CABINS AND RV PARK AND WOULD SPOIL  
THE SCENIC BEAUTY WHICH ATTRACTS OUR CUSTOMERS.  
THE EXISTING 69KV LINE IS NOT VISIBLE  
FROM THE PROPERTY, AND (Please see back) THE SAME ROW FOR  
THE NEW LINE WOULD SATISFY MY CONCERNS.

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

TONIGHT'S MEETING WAS NOT WELL PUBLICIZED  
IN MY OPINION. PLEASE MAKE AN EFFORT TO  
INFORM THOSE POTENTIALLY AFFECTED. DIRECT  
MAILINGS TO PROPERTY OWNERS ALONG THE  
PROPOSED CORRIDORS COULD HAVE - AND SHOULD  
HAVE - BEEN DONE.

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**



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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: Lynn Kolund - Hell Canyon Ranger District  
Address: 330 Mt Rushmore Road  
City/State/Zip: Custer, SD 57730



(605) 673-4853 (office)  
(605) 673-1927 (cell)  
(605) 673-5461 (fax)  
E-mail: lkolund@fs.fed.us

**Lynn Kolund**  
**District Ranger**

Hell Canyon Ranger District  
330 Mt. Rushmore Road  
Custer, SD 57730

helps us to know how best to provide project

☐ Website

☒ Other email

be considered during siting and selection of  
routes:

- 1.) Please send any correspondence to my office. We need to be involved and informed.
- 2.) Alternative B route location (the old Clinton line) is not the "Preferred Forest Service Alternative." Two BHP representatives stated this as a fact at the Newcastle meeting. When you reach the Black Hills NF boundary, please take a hard look at all three routes.

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

3.) The old Clinton Line location has been designated as an ATV motorized trail under the Black Hills Travel Plan Decision. This location would displace the area of highest motorized recreation use on the Hall Canyon Ranger District. The inherent conflicts between this use during construction, operation, and maintenance of this transmission line should be identified as an issue in your NEPA process.

Sincerely,

Signe K. Kolerud

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709

**From:** Dahlinger, Ron [Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 26, 2010 11:38 AM  
**To:** Wendy Hosman 3409  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Landowner comments

Wendy,

I got a call this morning from one of the landowners we just sent letters to that has land east of Osage in Wyoming. His name is Bruce C Martens and his property is in sections 7, 17 & 18 of T46N, R60W. The old 69kv ROW runs through his property. He was delighted when we removed the old 69kv line and is somewhat upset that we may be constructing a new line in place of the old one.

He indicated that for him, it would be best if we could locate the new line south of where the old centerline was about ¼ mile or so where it would be out of sight.

We visited for some time and I told him that we are also involved in an EIS process with the Forest Service and that they would eventually have a lot to say about where we entered into South Dakota and the Forest Service territory. I also told him that if the old line route were one we want to pursue that we still have to work with landowners to come up with a route that meets our needs and will involve considering their input as well. I think he is someone we will be able to work with in the future if need be.

He evidently has worked with the Federal land issues in the past for Methane wells and went through an EA or EIS, which he said took him and his partners over three years. Hope we can beat that with this project!

Thanks

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: Randy & June Guliuzza

Address: 23888 S. Rockerville Rd.

City/State/Zip: Rapid City, SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Please see attached sheet, 1st paragraph

OLD CLINTON 69KV ROUTE

S17, T46N, R61W

(Please see back)

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8-11-10

## Power Line

The proposed route B in Wyoming would cross over the property we own north of Newcastle. This is extremely rugged terrain with a 400' cliff, making it difficult to service or remove in the future. Route B would traverse the highest points, making the poles highly visible and an eyesore for miles, similar to the effect of erecting a line like this over Harney Peak. We would oppose the use of route B.

When the previous power line was removed, a lot of debris was left in the woods on our property. There were grounding rods, poles, smashed insulators, pieces of cable, guy wires, and anchors, all of which were never removed by the power company and which were and are hazardous to people and wildlife. Because of the difficulty of access, the power company didn't make the effort to do a complete cleanup.

R & J

# Comment Form

Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Lyla King

Address:

23355 Hwy 85

City/State/Zip:

Newcastle, Wyo.

82701

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I would NOT like 125 foot Right  
of way cut through ~~away~~ my  
Land.

Just North of Homestead Road along Hwy 85  
Between Mile 12+13 Route B (Osage-RC) WY 90

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# Registration

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Address -  
City

Name

- | Name                              | Address -<br>City                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Dale Wormstadt                 | 12777 Black Forest Rd, RC, SD        |
| 2. Kevin Maier                    | 22483 Jenny Gulch Rd Deadwood SD     |
| 3. Jim Lawler                     | 22506 Deer Meadows Dr Deadwood SD    |
| 4. Glenda Robertson               | 11516 Melcher Pl, Hill City SD       |
| 5. Leon & Marilyn Klingartner     | 11465 Rochford Rd, Hill City SD      |
| 6. Sonja & Eddie Newton           | 7109 Grosbreak Ln. Black Hawk        |
| 7. Anna Abby                      | 7103 W. H. Rose Black Hawk           |
| 8. LINDA Bunn for MAX PANNETIER   | 4758 Sturgis Rd.                     |
| 9. Cheryl Hesse                   | 6500 Custer St Black Hawk            |
| 10. Loulyn Strickland             | GCC Dacotah Cement                   |
| 11. Betty Sanders - Sanders Ranch | Rapid City - Hill City SD            |
| 12. Marta Corey                   | Rochford - 11439 Rochford Rd         |
| 13. Ann Tosten                    | 22530 Jenny Gulch Rd 2092 Pine Hills |
| 14. Jean Dawns                    | 5901 Eastside Dr. Black Hawk         |
| 15. Randy Stenger                 | 8605 Woodford Jr Black Hawk          |
| 16. Rollie Larson                 | 2515 Juniper Dr. Rapid City          |
| 17. John H. Larson                | 23266 Hwy 385 RC SD 02               |
| 18. David & Tammy Adee            | 5213 South St Black Hawk             |
| 19. Michael Smith                 | 4475 Crunkel Oaks Rd Piedmont        |
| 20. Joyce Sugrue                  | 13090 Timber Lane RC 57702           |

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# Registration

Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

Address:

Name

City

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|----------------------------------|--|
| 21. Helen Wrede                  | 1123 Franklin R.C.                           |
| 22. Karen M. Hovey               | 9851 Echo Valley Ct RC                       |
| 23. <del>Rehly G. Brate</del>    | 6688 Sun Ridge Rd RC                         |
| 24. Jeanne Simon                 | 7104 Grosbeak Ln, Black Hawk SD              |
| 25. Tim Simon                    | 7104 Grosbeak Ln Black Hawk SD               |
| 26. Ed & Kathy McBride           | 1611 Flormann St                             |
| 27. Bret McBride                 | 12195 Paradise Ln                            |
| 28. Rust & Cathi Brown           | 3825 MARVIN RD                               |
| 29. MARTIN SPAHN                 | 22801 NOAH'S HAWK RD, RC SD 57702            |
| 30. Jim Bickett                  | 2917 Garden Vale R.C.                        |
| 31. Ted Benson                   | 13180 quarry Blvd RC                         |
| 32. Sharon Wilson                | 7200 Hickel Ln BH.                           |
| 33. Ken Novotny                  | 731 Hill city                                |
| 34. Mary Bowden                  | 23748 Loislane, Hill City                    |
| 35. Denver Casfield              | 11525 Melchert Pl. Rockford                  |
| 36. Pat Griffin                  | 22669 Merchen KO RC                          |
| 37. Christine Strick             | 23165 Horseman's Ranch Road RC               |
| 38. Wayne Ortman                 | Box 157 Caminito, So Dak.                    |
| 39. Arthur J Ketting             | 6111 Ash St Black Hawk, SD 57718-8678        |
| 40. Sandra Fairbrother/Schauerer | 22500 Potter, Rd<br>Rapid City, SD.<br>57703 |

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# Registration

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Name

Address:  
City

- |                                  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| 41. <u>Minnie Chase</u>          | <u>22561 Potter Rd. 57702</u>            |
| 42. <u>SHERMAN WESTVIG</u>       | <u>8438 Highland Loop, RC SD 57702</u>   |
| 43. <u>Roy C. Kumbell</u>        | <u>3809 Redox St, RC 57702</u>           |
| 44. <u>Marylou Rice</u>          | <u>22660 Merched Rd</u>                  |
| 45. <u>Hern Steever</u>          | <u>13801 W. Hwy 44 RC</u>                |
| 46. <u>STEVE ZIMMERMAN</u>       | <u>13475 CHIPMUNK PL</u>                 |
| 47. <u>Mary Zimmerman</u>        | <u>13475 Chipmunk PL.</u>                |
| 48. <u>Lance Rom</u>             | <u>3459 Jet Dr RC 57703</u>              |
| 49. <u>Geraldyn Blumer</u>       | <u>6906 Ridgeway Dr Black Hawk</u>       |
| 50. <u>Terrin McQuinn</u>        | <u>22463 Alpine Acres Dr -32 57718</u>   |
| 51. <u>Larry D Henderson</u>     | <u>1539 N Haines RC 57701</u>            |
| 52. <u>Mrs Mrs Roger Urhane</u>  | <u>5700 Key Ln BH 57718</u>              |
| 53. <u>Jo-Jean Roy</u>           | <u>22587 Lightning Ridge Rd RC 57702</u> |
| 54. <u>Rick + Chris Van Ness</u> | <u>23180 Hwy 385 RC, 57702</u>           |
| 55. <u>Robert W Watbe</u>        | <u>3850 Marwin Rd 57702</u>              |
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# Registration

Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

Name	City
1. <u>Deane Canfield</u>	<u>11525 Melchert Pl Rockford, SD</u>
2. <u>DONNA SAVAGE</u>	<u>RAPID CITY, SD (10800 CANYON PL)</u>
3. <u>Betty Douris</u>	<u>Black Hawk -</u>
4. <u>Ann Van Noan</u>	<u>22575 No. Bogus Jim Rd.</u>
5. <u>DAVID Douris</u>	<u>6305 W Elm St Black Hawk</u>
6. <u>James Personx</u> <sup>1425 Pebble Beach Rd</sup> <u>Mitchell, SD 57301</u>	<u>22517 Dear Meadow Rd</u>
7. <u>Carol Grozman</u>	<u>8805 Woodland Black Hawk</u>
8. <u>Bill &amp; Kathleen Timberman</u>	<u>P.O. Box 9303, Rapid City, SD 57709</u>
9. <u>Beverly Blessing</u>	<u>23175 Horseman's Knob RC 57702</u>
10. <u>Paul Johnson</u>	<u>13401 W. Hwy. 44</u>
11. <u>Steve &amp; Patty Griffin</u>	<u>22669 Merchen Rd RC 57702</u>
12. <u>Charlotte Fischer</u>	<u>22634 N. Rockford Rd. Hill City 57745</u>
13. <u>BONNIE SIVAGE</u>	<u>22634 N Rockford Rd Hill City 57745</u>
14. <u>SCOTT LEECH</u>	<u>711 Wayside Dr.</u>
15. <u>GERALD FREEMAN</u>	<u>27255 Rockford Road</u>
16. <u>Perry Rahn</u>	<u>11950 McVey Rd., Hill City</u>
17. <u>Neil &amp; Susan Ogden</u>	<u>13015 Secluded Ct RC</u>
18. <u>VICKI FRANZEN</u>	<u>13077 Timber Ln RC</u>
19. <u>Steve Kambisch</u>	<u>23330 Mystic Rd Hill City</u>
20. <u>Seth White</u>	<u>8800 Nemo Rd Rapid</u>

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# Registration

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Name

City

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 21. Gayla Spelts   | 23080 McCurdy Gulch Rd., RC, SD 02<br>(Porter 9553 RC, SD 09) |
| 22. Art Balcom   | 3804 Nemo Rd RC SD 02   |
| 23. Andrew & Judy French                                     | 22753 Harris Park Rd  |
| 24. Greg & Kristi Schneider                                  | 7201 Pinewood Ct., Rapid City                                 |
| 25. JERILYN Hodder   | 5900 EASTSIDE DR. BLACK HAWK                                  |
| 26. Eldene Henderson   | 4525 Haines Ave RC, SD  |
| 27. Chuck & JAN Albright                                     | 500 Ridgeland Loop RC - 02                                    |
| 28. PAT & FRANK Coy <sup>PO Box 261 Hill City SD 57451</sup> | 12025 Reno Gulch Rd -   |
| 29. TODD DUDA  | 22770 HAT MOUNTAIN DR. RC SD 0                                |
| 30. Kent Simon   | 13651 Chariot Pl Rapid city SD 57502                          |
| 31. Alan Maas  | 13286 Chipmunk Pl. RC SD 57702                                |
| 32. Maurice Jones  | 5750 Sparrow Hawk RC SD                                       |
| 33. BLACK FOREST INN   | 23191 Hwy 385 RC SD   |
| 34. GERALD J SCHMIDT   | 4718 CAPITAL RC SD  |
| 35. Jennings Kuschmir  | 23811 Marshall Gulch Rd Hill City                             |
| 36. JUNG PETER Grech   | 23165 Horseman's Ranch Rd. Rapid City                         |
| 37. Mike Boock   | Canyon Place RC SD  |
| 38. DOUG & STACY JACKSON                                     | 10505 Canyon Pl RC SD   |
| 39. Robert Reznicek  | 9401 Schroeder Rd   |
| 40. Miriam Storm   | 4415 N. Haines R.C.   |

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# Registration

Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

Name

City

- |  |                              |
|--|------------------------------|
| 41. Stan Scheyrer                      | Rapid City, SD, 57702        |
| 42. JOHN NIEMELA                       | HILL CITY, SD 57745          |
| 43. Mark & Pamela Wiley                | Rapid City SD 57702          |
| 44. JEFF SALINE                        | Rapid City SD 57702          |
| 45. Hao Don Nubud                      | Rapid City, SD 57702         |
| 46. Kathleen Soli                      | TIN, R6E, S21, lot 4.        |
| 47. Betty & Horn                       | 22635N Rockford Rd Hill City |
| 48. Gene Solseth                       | 1445 Kingswood Drive         |
| 49. Dan & April Fitzgerald             | Black Hawk                   |
| 50. Roy McLeas                         | Rockford Rd. Deadwood.       |
| 51. Sally Keels                        | 22862 Wild Flower LN         |
| 52. Rand Schleusener                   | 13389 Bone Path R.C. 57702   |
| 53. <del>Carl &amp; Julie Fausch</del> | 10652 Canyon Pl RC 02        |
| 54. Rod Meyer                          | Black Hawk                   |
| 55. Jim Konechne                       | RC, SD 57702                 |
| 56. BRENDA & MARSHALL YOUNG            | RAPID CITY SD 57702          |
| 57. _____                              | _____                        |
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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Chuck & Sam Albright

Address:

500 Ridgeland Loop

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City SD 57702

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

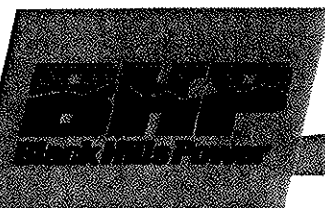
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

My CONCERNS ARE ABOUT FIRE IF A LINE GOES DOWN AND IF IT WILL BLOCKOUT TV RECEPTION. THERE IS NO CABLE RECEPTION WHERE WE LIVE, FOR THE FUTURE THE LINE IS NEEDED, JUST ROUTE IT WHERE THERE ARE NO HOUSES.

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**2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.**

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**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**



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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Cheryl Bachman

Address:

23270 Hwy 385

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD. 57702

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☐ Newspaper advertisement

☒ Project flyer

☐ Website

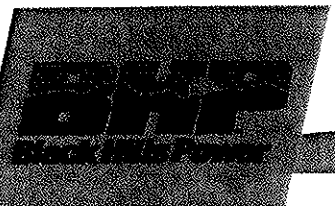
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

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CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS

Owner (s) KAY BAKER Date 9/14/10  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Present \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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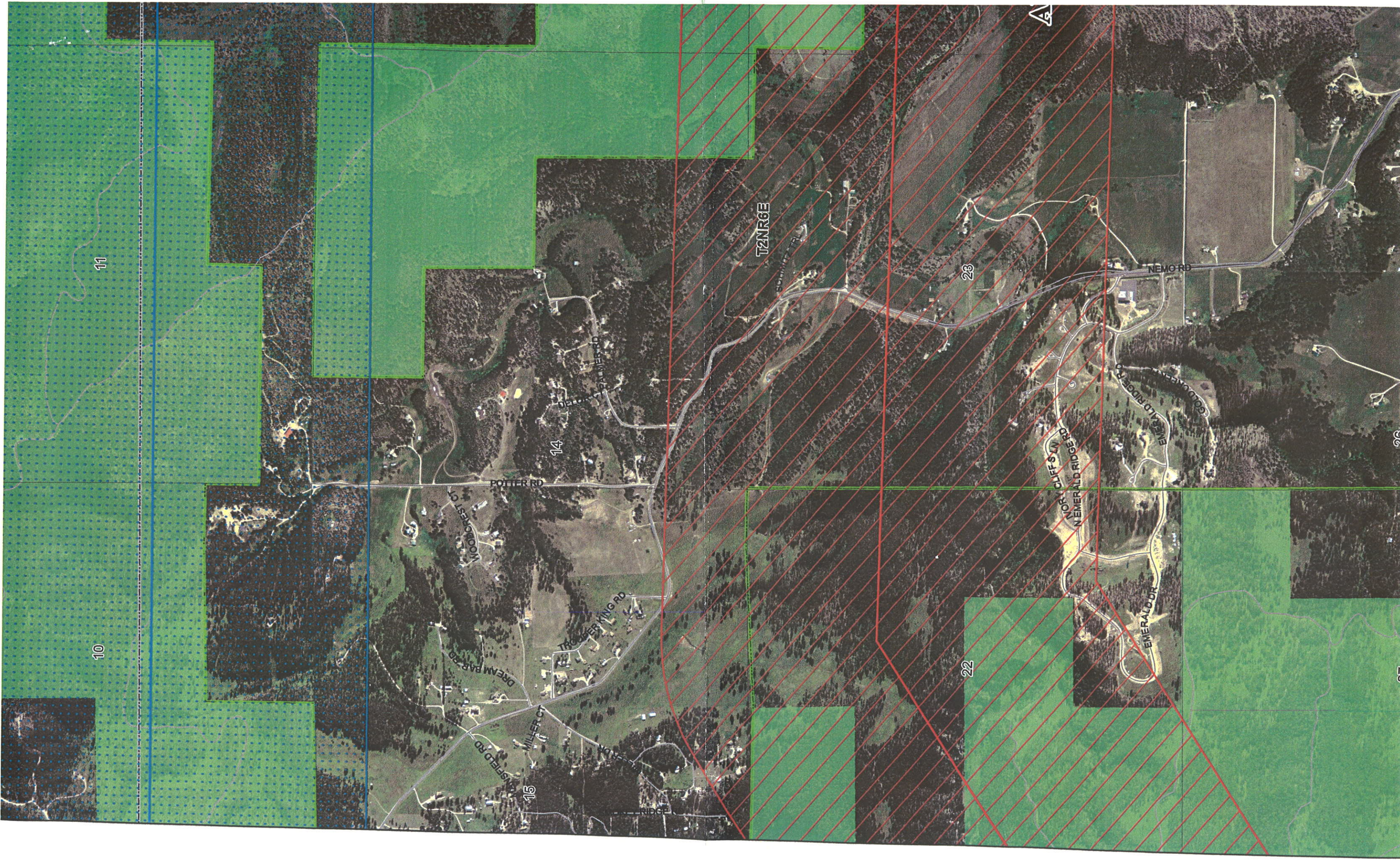
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Comments and Remarks:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
IVORY BURET COURT - NEMO ROAD  
LOT 3  
\_\_\_\_\_  
OWNS LOT AND NEEDED MORE INFO.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(SENT MAP SHOWING ROUTE IN AREA)  
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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Art Bakom

Address:

8037 Nemo Rd.

City/State/Zip:

RC SD 57702

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☒ Project flyer

☐ Website

☐ Other

BHPL

Mailing

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

devaluation of Property  
E.M.F.s Noise Disability

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Please Stay on the Ridge To the south  
east of Property #161

Please return this comment form to the Comment Table or fold, tape, and mail to the address below.

**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

## Carda, Mark

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**From:** Carda, Mark  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 15, 2010 4:11 PM  
**To:** 'Mike Becker'  
**Subject:** RE: Teckla project.

Mike, thank you for your response and input. I'll add this to our data base as we proceed with planning and the project.

Mark Carda

-----Original Message-----

From: Mike Becker [mailto:stork29@santel.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, September 15, 2010 10:44 AM  
To: Carda, Mark  
Cc: Dahlinger, Ron  
Subject: Teckla project.

Recently received a letter about proposed Teckla transmission line project. I object to the Alternative A site. It is very close to cabins and land that I own now. In fact, I am planning to build retirement home in the 1 or 2 yrs and it is right on the right of way. Using the Alternative B or C would be better all around. Use can use the same right of way that the Pactola station uses now. Cost effective and minimizes the effect on land owners.

Mike Becker, land owner  
stork29@santel.net





# Comment Form

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## Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

B



Bruce Bessken  
12895 Victoria Lake Rd.  
Rapid City, SD 57702

Address:

605 574 3964

City/State/Zip:

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

PRESENT 69 KVA LINE CROSSES MY PROPERTY 250 FEET WEST OF HOUSE. I WOULD BE UNWILLING TO GRANT ANY ADDITIONAL ROW FOR A LARGER LINE, BECAUSE OF ADDITIONAL LOSS OF TIMBER AND WILD LIFE HABITAT, LOSS OF GRAZING, INCREASE IN WEEDS, LOSS OF AESTHETICS, DROP IN SELLING VALUE OF HOUSE, AND POTENTIAL HEALTH RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS.

Property Location:

Legal Description: Section Township Range

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**SDGE**  
SOUTHERN DAKOTA GAS & ELECTRIC

9/27/10

2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

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Please return any comments you may have on this form to the address below if you are unable to attend the meeting on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Ted Benson

Address:

13180 quarry Blvd

City/State/Zip:

SD, RC 57702

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☐ Other letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

In alternate 13 my whole 35 acres is within  
the lower half of the possible line section 29.  
I would like to have you avoid putting the  
line through my property. I would like to  
know as soon as possible what route is  
picked.

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

concern over public using right of way - is it possible to gate or fence right of way where it adjoin current roads.

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Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

Jim Bickett

Address:

2917 Garden Lane

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, S. Dak. 57703

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☒ Other Letter you sent in mail

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I am definitely against cutting another ~~path~~ swath through the hills. I would think it would be way more expensive to go through the hills, cutting down trees, up and down hills, not to mention rocky terrain? A long the interstate is farther but already have existing lines etc. Also <sup>maintaining</sup> the lines would be a lot simpler and cheaper - easier to find.

Thank you

Jim Bickett

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

EDMUND C. & KARLA E. BLACKLER

Address:

22505 POTTER ROAD

City/State/Zip:

RAPID CITY, S.D. 57702

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

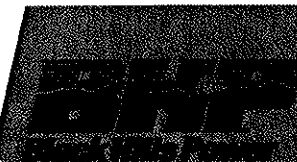
1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We ARE VEHEMENTLY OPPOSED TO ANY POWERLINES ANYWHERE NEAR TO OUR PROPERTY. WHEN WE BUILT OUR HOME WE EVEN WENT TO THE EXTREME OF HAVING THE LINE PUT UNDERGROUND TO THE HOUSE TO PRESERVE THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF THE AREA. WE WERE ALSO INVOLVED IN THE FORESTRY STewardSHIP PROGRAM TO DO THE SAME.

Power lines THROUGH OUR PROPERTY (53 ACRES IN MEADE COUNTY) AND ABOUT 12 ACRES IN PENNINGTON COUNTY) WOULD COMPLETELY OBLITERATE OUR PROPERTY VALUE (WE'VE ALREADY TALKED TO

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

SEVERAL REACTORS ABOUT THIS, AND IF THE OPTION WHICH WOULD  
TAKE THE POWER LINE THROUGH OUR PROPERTY IS SELECTED, WE  
WILL FIGHT IT WITH EVERYTHING WE HAVE.

S.C. BLACKLER + FAMILY  
341-2342

Please return this comment form to the Comment Table or fold, tape, and mail to the address below.

**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**



# Comment Form

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## Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name: E.C. + KARA Blackler & Family

Address: 22505 POTTER ROAD

City/State/Zip: RAPID CITY, S.D. 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

WE ARE VEHEMENTLY OPPOSED TO ANY SUCH POWER LINES COMING ANYWHERE CLOSE TO OUR PROPERTY AS THEY WOULD MOST CERTAINLY RESULT IN A DRAMATIC DECREASE IN PROPERTY VALUES.

WE WILL FIGHT FOR KEEPING THESE LINES FAR AWAY FROM OUR PROPERTY WITH ALL THE RESOURCES WE HAVE. (AS WILL OUR NEIGHBORS: SCHEUTERS, SCHLEUSNERS, SCHADS, ETC.)

Property Location: 22505 POTTER ROAD, RAPID CITY, SD. 57702-

@ 6 miles OUT NEMO ROAD FROM RAPID CITY, ON POTTER ROAD

Legal Description: Section Township Range

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**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

**Carda, Mark**

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**From:** Carda, Mark  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 16, 2010 1:56 PM  
**To:** 'BOBBOR76@aol.com'  
**Cc:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** RE: Your "Junk Files"

Bob, sorry you were unable to open files on our website. Many landowners have been successful but we have had problems here at BHP with some being able to open and some not. We have someone looking at this and will make changes as needed.

The Redbook Springs route is included as one of the proposed routes (Alternate B). We are most likely a year or more out before we establish our preferred route.

I would be happy to email or send you additional information if you think that would be helpful?

Mark Carda

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**From:** BOBBOR76@aol.com [mailto:BOBBOR76@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 16, 2010 1:18 PM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Your "Junk Files"

Mark,

What kind of crap you putting out? Tried to load the SD large file, and get an alert stating the file has been damaged.

You plan on holding meetings on info. we can't get?? Pretty crafty of you.

Just curious, is this the line that was removed a few years ago? The one traveling thru the Redbank Springs area.

Please advise,

Bob

cc/ SD PUC

9/16/2010

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Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line



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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

MIKE BOOCK

Address:

City/State/Zip:

ROCKY HILLS

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

- ☐ Website  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Mary Bowden

Address:

23748 Lows Lane

City/State/Zip:

Hill City, SD 57745

(mailing address  
1920 S. Austin Dr

Sioux Falls, SD 57105)

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

☒ Other landowner mailing

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

As we all know, the shortest distance between two points is a straight line. We know this is not always possible but if there are current lines that could be used along any of the routes, we ~~could~~ feel that would be the most economical route.

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

With our home being one that would be greatly affected by Route 3, we really hope that great consideration would be taken to preserve our property as much as possible. In our area, there are very few existing homes at present with our neighbors planning on building in the next 5-10 years. The property that borders our property is mainly trees and rock outcroppings. To put lines through here will require large equipment and possible blasting to install lines. With ~~that~~ that comes added expense not to mention ~~the~~ destruction of the trees and beauty known to the Black Hills. This past winter and even this summer the power lines near our home have come down. With the added voltage, what are the chances of danger? Greater

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Dan & Kathie Brusseau

Address:

10652 Canyon Place

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, S.D. 57702

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☐ Project flyer

☒ Other notification by letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Going across our personal property (10 acres) would require you to take out almost 1/3 of our trees which is NOT acceptable.

It makes sense to us to use the right of way which is already dedicated for that purpose.

We are also very concerned about the health implications being around such a high voltage

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ROUTE A

FACTOLA - LAUGE, SH-1

SEC. 11, T2N, R6E

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

line for extended periods of time.

We would appreciate hearing any updates: ie which route is actually chosen.

The people at the open house were very informative and helpful.

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**Black Hills Power**  
**PO Box 1400**  
**Rapid City, SD 57709**



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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Denver & Diane Canfield

Address:

11525 Melcher Pl

City/State/Zip:

Rochford, SD 57745

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

- ☐ Website  
☒ Other letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We live along proposed Route A - we do not think this is a good route to use because — there are many high mountain areas on the Forest Service also it would go by Black Fox Camp ground which is a prime tourist area for those who want to get out of town. We don't want to see a big line from our deck across our wonderful view. There are narrow canyons & the creek we don't want disturbed. This route also goes through the town of Rochford and there isn't any room for a line through Rochford — We feel you should use the line that you had

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before that went from Osage to Pactola. That route makes  
the most sense to do.

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\* Please change our Mailing Address.

**Your Name:**

## Canyon Construction

**Address:**

PO Box 463

City/State/Zip:

Black Hawk, SD 57718

**Property Location:**

Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_

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September 19, 2010

Comment Form

Teckla-Osage-Rapid City 230KV Transmission Line

Current mailing address

Laurie Chamberlin

8804 Ridge Ponds Dr

Victoria, MN 55386

Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

1. Impact on private property values. I am very concerned that this line would have significant negative impact on the property I own. I am two months from completing a retirement home on this property.
2. Do transmission lines have negative impact on satellite TV reception, radio reception, cause other electrical system issues?
3. Are there any health concerns?
4. What access does BHP require across private property to the transmission line?
5. What determines the exact route of the transmission line within a corridor?
6. When is the landowner involved in the final route?

Property location – 23801 Hidden Mine Lane, Hill City, SD 57745

Legal description – 1080 Sunnyside Lode 1 Section 24 Township 1-South Range 4-East

Additional comments:

We looked for 3 years for property in the Black Hills. We nearly have a retirement home finished. I am very concerned about what impact a transmission line would have on the value of this property. We have a great view of Harney Peak. I am concerned what impact the transmission line would have on that also.

Laurie Chamberlin

Route C: NW of Hill City.







# Comment Form

Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

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## Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

George Clinton

Address:

11614 Deerfield Road

City/State/Zip:

Hill City, South Dakota 57745

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We have no problems with a new line being built. The only thing that I would be concerned about is that this area (Deerfield) has a major bug infestation. It would be nice if the Forest Service would let you take out more trees for a wider right of way. Due to all the dead trees, I'm sorry that I was unable to attend the meetings.

Property Location: Slate Prairie

Legal Description: Section 27 Township 1N Range 3E

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Marta J. Corey

& Ralph

Address:

11439 Rockford Rd. (Full Time Res.)

City/State/Zip:

Hill City, SD 57745

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

- ☐ Website  
☐ Other

We did not receive  
a letter or read paper  
neighbor  
Received a letter & informed  
us.

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We are strongly opposing the Rockford Route Corridor A 230KV Power Line as we believe it would be devastating to the Natural Wild life and Habitat, the scenic beauty and property values. To bring a power line of this size through any part of the Black Hills is unconscionable.

The terrain is rough throughout this entire Rockford area

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ROUTE A

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

There is a BHP line that is already  
in our valley and quite an eyesore.  
In our area only two residents out of  
14 that I know of received your  
letter. We are working hard to contact  
all homeowners w/ regards to this  
matter. We appreciate your efforts  
to cooperate with educating and  
updating us. My E-mail is  
martaCorey@wildblue.net

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Josephine COWDERY

Address:

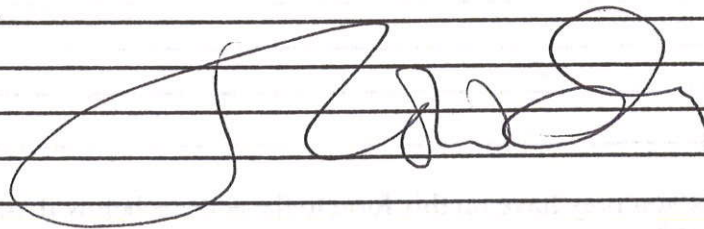
Po Box 2600

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City SD 57709

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I SUPPORT ONLY ALTERNATIVE A  
ROUTE.



Property Location: LOT 8 MOUNTAIN PINES SUBDIVISION  
PENNINGTON CO.

Legal Description: Section 31 Township Range  
2N 06E

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Please provide your current mailing address: BOX 2600, RC, SD 57709-2600

Your Name: RAY COWDERY

Address: 13006 OVERLOOK DRIVE

City/State/Zip: RAPID CITY SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

WE SUPPORT ONLY THE ROUTE DEPICTED  
ON YOUR MAP AS ALTERNATIVE "A".

Ray Cowdery

Property Location: LOT 2 MOUNTAIN PINES SUBDIVISION  
PENNINGTON COUNTY, RURAL RAPID CITY, SD 57702-

Legal Description: Section Township Range  
FOR TAXING PURPOSES 2N 06E SECTION 31

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**Carda, Mark**

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**From:** Dakotahof [dakotahof1@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 15, 2010 4:30 PM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Re: Teckla-Osage-Rapid City 230 kV transmission line comments

Thank you. Be sure to count two votes for **ALTERNATIVE A** as we own two homes, one on Secluded Court and one on 13006 Overlook Drive, also in Section 31.  
Josephine Cowdery

On Sep 15, 2010, at 4:13 PM, Carda, Mark wrote:

Ray, hard to send out specific information on a project this is still in the planning stages. The three alternatives represent a mile wide corridor on each so we are seeking information from landowners like yourself on concerns, questions, and preference. I will include your choice of Alternate A in our data base.

Thank you for the feedback.

Mark Carda

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**From:** Dakotahof [mailto:dakotahof1@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 15, 2010 9:34 AM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Teckla-Osage-Rapid City 230 kV transmission line comments

Dear Mr. Carda,

The information you sent out is the most vague that anyone could send out. Why bother to send out anything when you clearly state that the initial siting study has not yet been completed. And this information hits everybody's mailbox when the next day a story appears on the front page of the Rapid City Journal about closing a power station connected to the project of your mailing.

**IF** this ever comes to fruition, our preferred route would be **ALTERNATIVE A** (blue on your map), that runs east and west north of Pactola reservoir.

Ray & Josephine Cowdery  
13018 Secluded Court  
Rapid City SD 57702-9835

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

PATRICK & FRANCES COY

Address:

12025 Reno Gulch Rd

City/State/Zip:

Sourmaling - Po Box 261 Hill City SD 57745

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

If the proposed route would use the center line that stays on the section line past our property we would be ok with it. It would be even better if they stayed to the south of the section line

Patrick P. Coy

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Betty (Esther) Downs

Carol Jean Downs

Address:

5605 Eastside Dr.

5901 Eastside Dr.

City/State/Zip:

Black Hawk, SD

Black Hawk, SD

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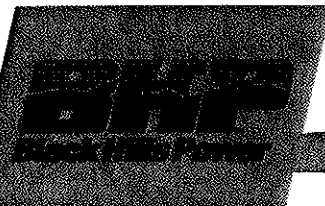
- ☐ Website  
☐ Other Letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We are right off ~~main~~ merit road. Our concerns are visibility of the poles. Possible noise from lines. Disruption of peace and quiet while lines are being built.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Ted Crisman

Address:

255 Boot Hill Rd.

City/State/Zip:

Custer S.D. 57730-6323

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

My first issue is, why wasn't I notified before now if my property is in line with any one of the three proposals.

My second issue is that you would send this notice to my old address, but you have know problem sending my current electrical bill to my current address.

Property Location:

Penn. Co S.W. of Hill City

also in Sec. 32

Legal Description:

2S04E Section 05 Township 1S Range 4E

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

TODD DUDA

Address:

22770 HAT MOUNTAIN DR.

City/State/Zip:

RAPID CITY, SD 57702

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☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☐ Project flyer

☒ Other LETTER

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I BUILT IN THE HILLS SO I WOULDN'T HAVE TO LOOK AT THIS KIND OF STUFF.

I DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH FIRE POTENTIAL AND HAZARDOUS EMISSIONS FROM THE LINES.

I CAN ONLY RECEIVE SATELLITE AND I DON'T WANT ANY ELECTRICAL INTERFERENCE,

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CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS

Owner (s)

RONALD FINN Date 9/13/10  
6507 ROB ROAD Time \_\_\_\_\_  
BLACK HAWK, SD

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Present \_\_\_\_\_

Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description

\_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_  
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Comments and Remarks:

MR. FINN STOPPED IN TO DISCUSS LINE AND  
LOOK AT LARGER MAP.

HIS PROPERTY IS IN BLACK HAWK (ASH ST. & ROB ROAD)  
FALLS JUST NORTH OF ALTERNATE A CORRIDOR.  
SHOULDN'T BE AN ISSUE.



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BCBBI@GUTC.NET

Please provide your current mailing address:

email: bcbbi@gutc.net

Your Name:

Charlotte Fischer

Address:

22634 N. Rochford Rd.

SECTION 23

City/State/Zip:

Hill City SD 57745

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☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☐ Project flyer

☒ Other Mail

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

- Corridor A goes directly over White Tail peak

- " most pristine wild part of the Black Hills; fire & safety

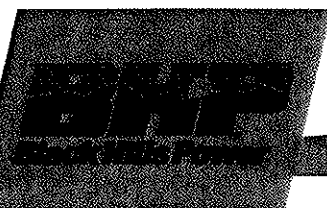
- Significant Rochford visibility & safety

\*Need maps for Rochford, Black Fox Rd; White Tail Peak

SEND HER LARGER MAP w/ corridor

(Please see back)

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PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**



CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

**RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS**

Owner (s) TOM FISHER Date 9/16/10  
10275 ECHO Time \_\_\_\_\_  
VALLEY CT  
RC, SD 57702

Telephone # 385-2433

Type of Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Present \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description \_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments and Remarks: NEMO ROAD - POWELL HILLS  
WOULD LIKE BETTER MAP & INFO. ON PROJECT  
MAILED: MAP  
MEETING HANDOUTS



Mark Carda  
Manager, T & D Engineering  
Email: Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com

P.O. Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD, 57709  
P: 605.721.2274  
F: 605.721.2323

September 16, 2010

Mr. Tom Fisher  
10275 Echo Valley Court  
Rapid City, SD 57702

RE: BHP Proposed 230kV Line

Tom:

Per our phone conversation I've attached a larger scale map showing the Rolling Hills area. The blue hashed area represents a mile wide corridor. If the line were to be constructed within this corridor it could be placed anywhere within that mile. We could also choose to place the line in one of the other two alternatives. Input will be placed in a data base and a final route chosen farther down the road. I've also sent along handouts that will be available tonight at the public meeting.

Please contact me if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Carda".

Mark Carda  
Manager, T & D Engineering

Enclosures

# Transmission Line Right-Of-Way and Easements

Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

Landowners have basic protections under state and federal laws that regulate acquisition of real estate for public use to build transmission lines and substations. Black Hills Power will follow the standard sequence of practices described below for acquiring easements.

## Abstract of Title

The utility right-of-way representative will complete a search of the public records of all lands involved in the project. A title report will be developed to include the legal description of the property, the owner(s) of record of the property, and information regarding easements, liens, restrictions, encumbrances, and other conditions of record.

## Survey Permission

A right-of-way representative will contact each property owner or his or her representative to inform them of the project. The right-of-way representative will describe the need for the transmission line and how it may affect the property. The utility's survey crews then will enter the property to complete preliminary survey work.

## Survey Staking

After the transmission line design is completed, a survey crew will stake the line. This requires the survey crew access to your land to determine the location for each structure. They will mark the locations with surveyor's stakes. Then the right-of-way representative can show landowners exactly where the structure(s) will be located on their property and discuss any concerns related to the location.

## Document Preparation

The utility will prepare all of the documents required to complete each transaction. Some of the documents that may be required include survey permission easement, purchase agreement, or deeds.

## Acquisition Process

The utility's representative will review each property on which easement rights are to be acquired to determine the appropriate amount of compensation for the rights. In the event that a complicated appraisal problem exists, or if statutory requirements in the local jurisdiction dictate, the utility's representative will complete an appraisal to determine the value of the rights. The utility will make an offer to the owner to obtain the property rights.

## Negotiations

The utility right-of-way representative will begin the negotiating process by presenting the required legal document(s) to the property owner. The representative also will provide maps of the transmission line route, maps showing the landowner's parcel, and an offer of compensation for the easement or purchase. The landowner will be allowed a reasonable amount of time to consider the offer and respond.

# Transmission Line Right-of-way And Easements

## Negotiated Settlement

In nearly all cases, the utility's representatives are able to work with the landowners to address their concerns and to arrive at negotiated settlements that are fair and acceptable to all parties. However, in rare cases when negotiated settlements are not possible, the utility has the right to have an independent third party determine the value of the rights. This is accomplished through the exercise of the utility's right of eminent domain. The process of exercising the right of eminent domain is called condemnation.

## Acquisition By Eminent Domain (Condemnation)

In any project that requires easements for transmission line construction, the goal is to offer fair and equitable compensation to landowners. The utility will initiate condemnation proceedings only when reasonable efforts to negotiate an agreement on just compensation have failed.

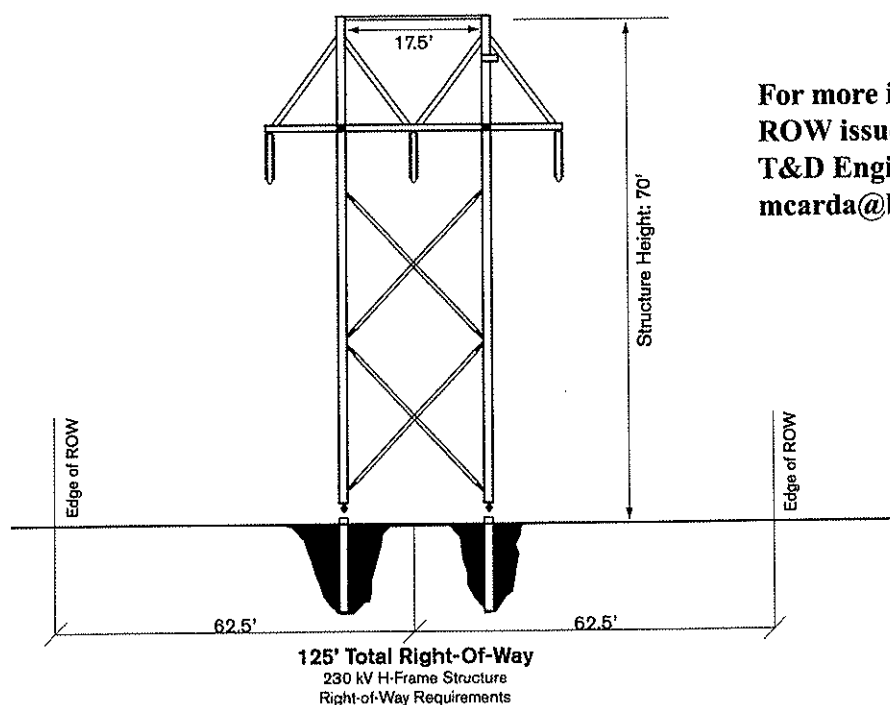
## Construction

Once the easement or land rights have been acquired and immediately prior to construction, the utility's right-of-way representative will contact the property owner and discuss the construction schedule. During construction the following may be required:

- Temporary removal or relocation of certain fences
- Installation of temporary gates (or permanent gates at landowner's request)
- Removal or relocation of vegetation, equipment and livestock from the right of way

## Restoration and Cleanup

The right-of-way representative will contract each property owner after construction is completed to see if any damage has occurred as a result of the utility's project. If damage has occurred to crops, fences, or the property, the utility will reimburse the landowner fairly for the damages. In some cases the utility may engage an outside contractor to restore the damaged property as near as possible to its original condition.



For more information or questions on ROW issues, please contact Mark Carda, T&D Engineer at (605) 721-2274, or [mcarda@blackhillspower.com](mailto:mcarda@blackhillspower.com).

## **Frequently Asked Questions - Transmission Line Right-of-way And Easements**

### **What is an easement?**

An easement is a permanent land right acquired by a person or party to use the land or property of another for a special purpose. Landowners are paid for the easement and can continue to use the land for most purposes, such as agriculture and lawns.

### **How wide will the right-of-way need to be for the proposed transmission line?**

Black Hills Power is proposing to acquire an easement 125-feet-wide. This will include the right to install down guys and anchors outside this strip of land.

### **What is the difference between a right-of-way and an easement?**

These terms are used interchangeably. But an easement is the document that transfers the permanent land right, and the right-of-way is the land area described in the easement on which the facilities are located.

### **What easement rights will be needed for the transmission line construction?**

A transmission line project requires an easement that allows for surveying, constructing, operating, and maintaining a transmission line across a defined strip of the landowner's property.

### **What landowner activities are allowed within the easement area?**

Land within the right-of-way may be used for any purpose that does not interfere with constructing or operating the transmission line. In agricultural areas, the land may be used for crop production and pasture. In areas where the land will be developed, streets, lawn extensions, underground utilities, curb and gutters, etc., may cross the right-of-way with the utility's permission.

### **What are the main building and planting restrictions in the easement?**

The primary building and planting restrictions prohibit constructing buildings or structures within the right-of-way strip and planting tall growing species of trees in the right-of-way strip.

### **Why can't buildings or tall-growing vegetation be placed in the right-of-way?**

If a building, structure or tall-growing vegetation located within the right-of-way were to catch fire, it could burn into the transmission line and take it out of service for an extended period. Additionally, tall-growing vegetation can cause interruptions in service if they grow into or fall on the transmission line. When a power line is out of service it affects thousands of people who are not able to heat and light their homes or businesses. At certain times of the year, especially during winter months, outages not only are an inconvenience, but they may become life-threatening. Utilities have determined that the best way to prevent the possibility of these types of outages is to restrict structures and vegetation within the right-of-way. In addition, if an outage occurs, line workers must be able to get to the line. Buildings or other structures and dense vegetation within the right of way could hamper line maintenance crews and slow repairs to downed lines.

### **Why doesn't the utility buy a strip of land for the line instead of taking an easement interest?**

Utilities occasionally purchase rights-of-way for transmission lines in fee title. However, we have found that in most cases, landowners prefer to retain ownership of the property so they can maintain better control over its use, subject to the limitations of the transmission line easement. In many cases, this provides the landowner with continued use of the property for such things as agricultural operations, yard extensions, or open areas adjacent to residences. In each of these cases, the property continues to contribute positively and productively to the owner as well as to the public. Utilities simply must protect their rights to operate transmission lines. In most cases, adjacent uses pose no threat to the lines nor do they create hazards to the public.

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# Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF) Facts

Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

## What are Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF)?

EMF is naturally present in the environment and is present wherever electricity is used. The earth has both a magnetic field produced by currents in the molten core of the planet and an electric field produced by electrical activity in the atmosphere, such as thunderstorms. The flow of electricity along transmission lines also produces low levels of EMF.

## What is the Difference Between Electric and Magnetic Fields?

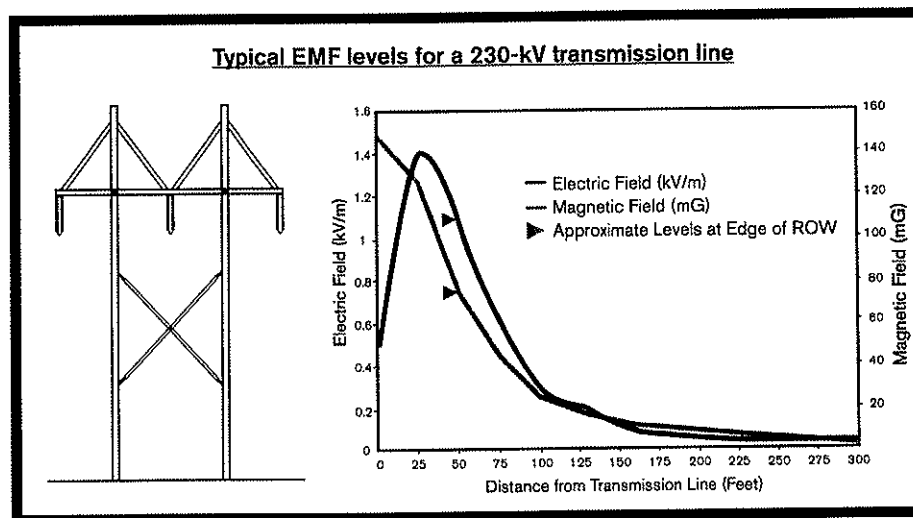
Electric fields are produced by voltage, which is the pressure behind the flow of electricity. Voltage creates electric fields around any electrical device that is plugged in even if it is not operating. Magnetic fields are produced by current, which is the flow of electricity when the device is operating. For instance, plugging in a lamp applies voltage and an electric field to the cord. When the lamp is turned on, magnetic fields are produced around the cord. Electric fields are measured in volts or kilovolts per meter (V/m or kV/m). Magnetic fields are measured in milligauss (mG) or microTeslas (uT).

## What are Typical Exposure Levels to EMF?

Everyone is constantly exposed to about 500 mG from the earth's magnetic field and 100 V/m from the earth's electric field. However, thunderstorms can temporarily increase the electric field in a given location to several thousand V/m. In addition to the earth's natural fields, the average household background magnetic field is about 1 to 2 mG and the average background electric field is 1 to 20 V/m.

## What are the Typical EMF Levels Near Overhead Transmission Lines?

The EMF are usually the highest directly under the lines and decrease rapidly with distance to the sides of the line. Actual field strengths vary with the size of the lines and height of the conductors from the point of measurement. Electric fields from power lines are relatively stable because the voltage does not change. Magnetic fields fluctuate as current changes in response to increasing and decreasing loads.



# ***Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF) Facts***

## **What EMF Health Research Has Been Done?**

Research related to possible adverse health effects from EMF exposure has been in progress for more than 30 years. In 1992, The U.S. Congress directed the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) to direct the EMF Research and Public Information Dissemination Program (EMF-RAPID). The EMF-RAPID Program goal was to provide evidence to clarify potential health risks from EMF exposure. To date, the evidence suggesting that EMF exposures cause health risks is weak.

There are no standards established for safe levels of exposure to EMF. Some organizations have set advisory limits as a precautionary measure. The International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection has established a continuous magnetic field exposure limit of 833 mG and a continuous electric field exposure limit of 4.2 kV/m for members of the general public. The American Council of Governmental Industrial Hygienists has set a Threshold Limit Value (TLV) for occupational exposure to 60 Hz (60 cycles per second) frequency magnetic and electric fields. Electricity in North America produces EMF at 60 Hz. The TLV for magnetic fields at 60 Hz is 10,000 mG and 25,000 kV/m for electric fields.

## **Where Is There More Information About EMF Health Research?**

### **Environmental Health Information Service**

<http://ehis.niehs.nih.gov/emfrapid/>

### **Minnesota State Interagency Working Group on EMF Issues**

<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/radiation/emf/emfrept.pdf>

### **California Department of Health Services-California EMF Program**

<http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/deodc/ehib/emf/general.html>

### **Medical College of Wisconsin, Electromagnetic Fields and Human Health**

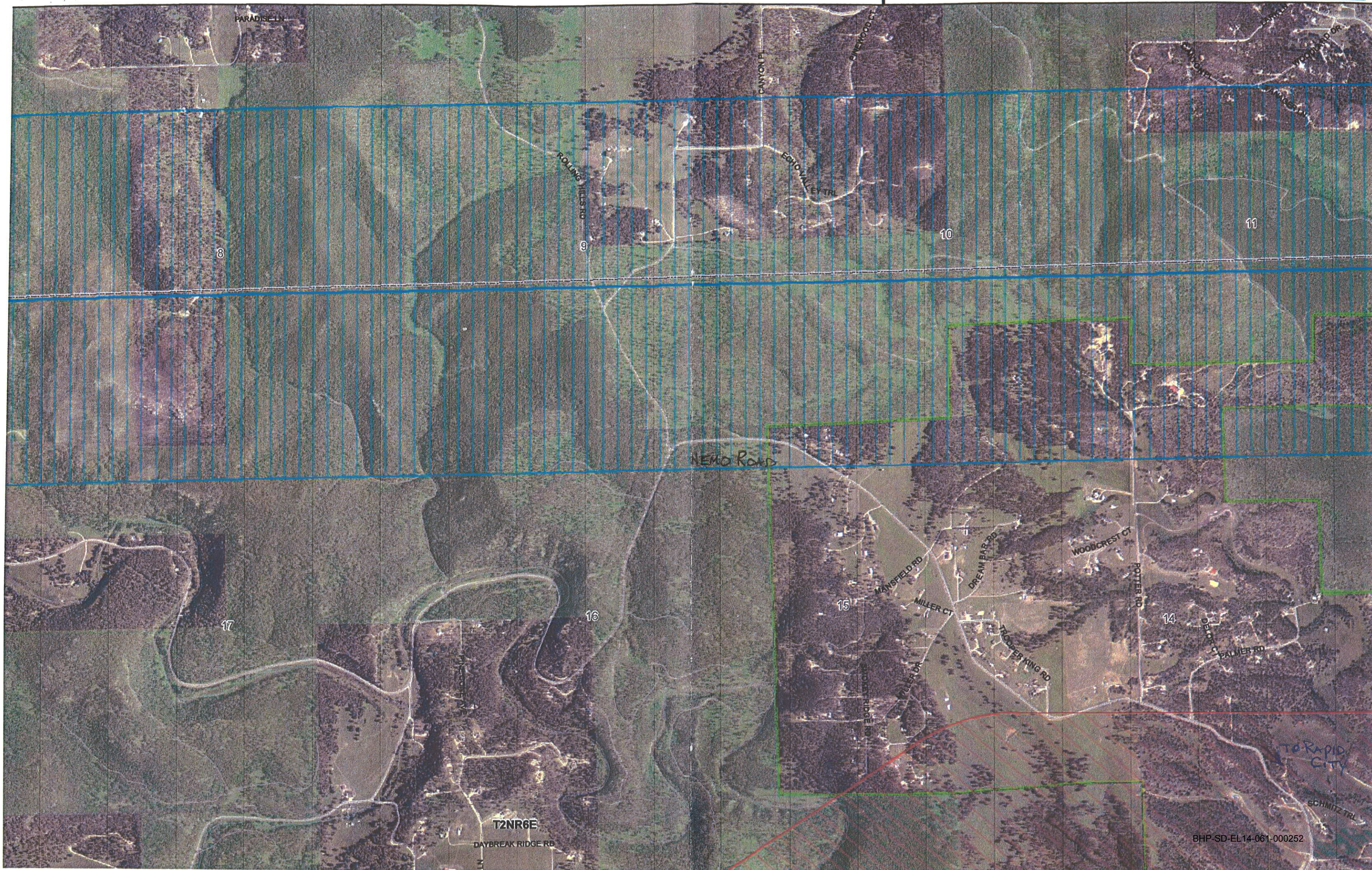
<http://www.mcw.edu/gcrc/cop/powerlines-cancer-FAQ/toc.html>

### **World Health Organization**

<http://www.who.int/emf>













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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Andrew J Fracek

Address:

22753 Norris Peak Rd

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD 57702

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☒ Project flyer

☐ Website

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We live 1 3/4 miles North of Johnson siding  
We live on the North side of Norris Peak Rd  
We have 3 miles of Forest service behind us so there  
is a lot of room to run a line behind us.  
We are both retired and my husband is a disabled  
veteran and he could never build us another  
home some where else.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

VICKI FRANZEN

Address:

13077 TIMBER LN

City/State/Zip:

RC SD 57702

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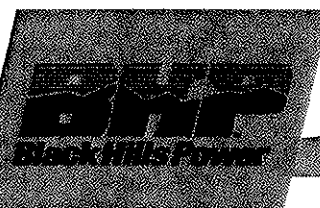
☒ Other LETTER

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I LIVE IN THE PINE CLIFF SUBDIVISION BY JOHNSON  
SIDING. OUR CURRENT COVENANTS DOES NOT ALLOW  
OVERHEAD UTILITY LINES

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9/18/10

DALE 605-201-9810

1 OF 5 OWNERS Copper Mt. Ranch  
Route C

REPRESENTS OWNER PAKOTA RANCH

Hill City - 2 miles West

3 sp. in From SD Border

T18R3E ←  
SE CORNER OF

ADDRESS: MEDICINE MT. ROAD

DALE FROLEHLICH

605-201-9810

CMR LLC PROPERTY OWNERSHIP

#6 SOUTH LECHATEAU

SIoux Falls, SD 57105

MACRAWDALL

OR DAN ~~McRANE~~

1-605-351-5640

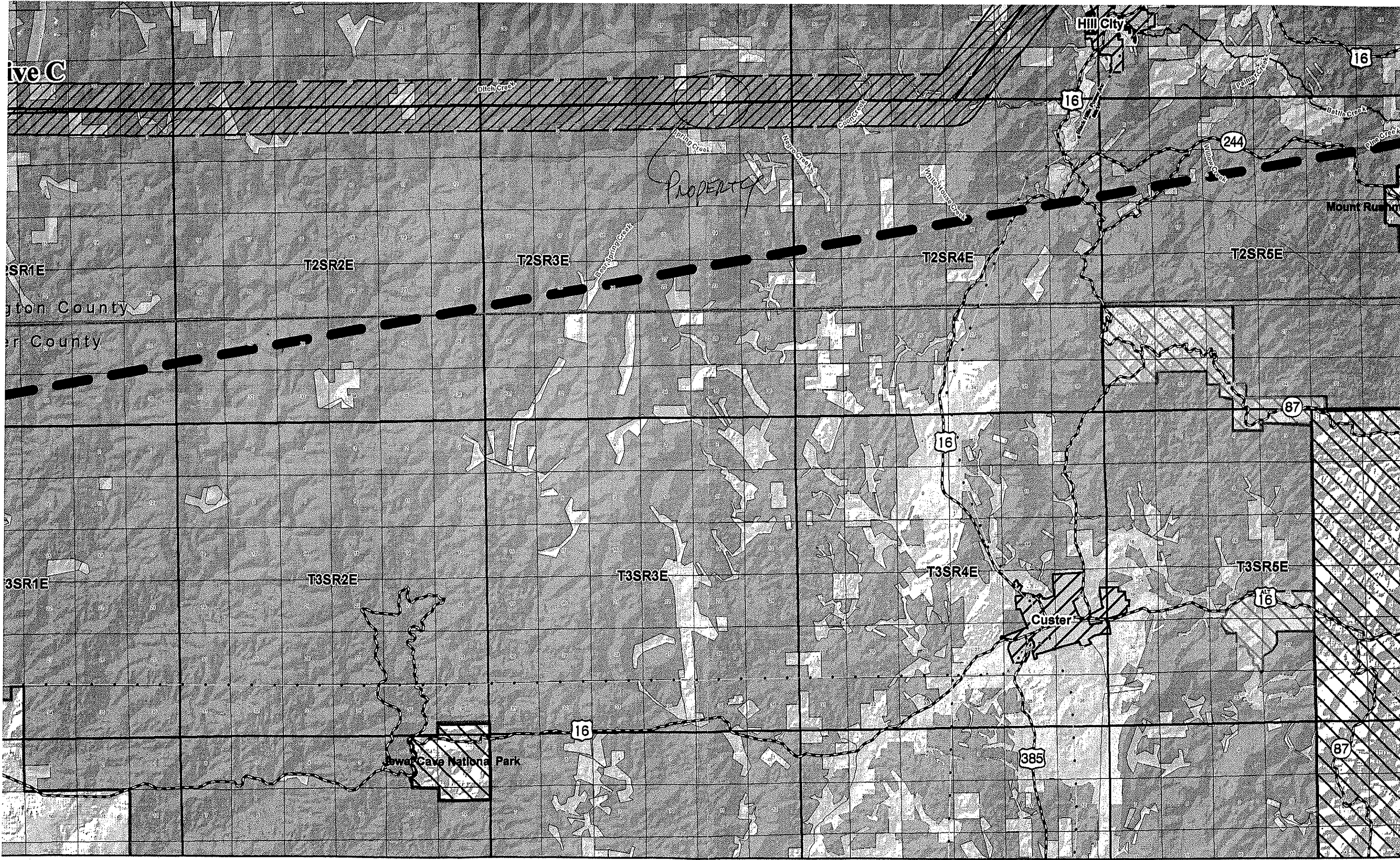
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DALE @gmail.com  
FROLEHLICH













CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

**RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS**

Owner (s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date 9/16/10

\_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone # AL GLOVER

Type of Contact 605-415-7133

Witness Present \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

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Legal Description \_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments and Remarks:

ROUTE A: MEADE/PENNINGTON COUNTY  
LINE. CROSSING SEVERAL SUBDIVISIONS

⇒ JUNCTION OF 3 COUNTIES, NARROW CANYON LOCATION

NEED TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION PRIVATE  
LAND & SUBDIVISIONS.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Gray Ranch (Gray Rd off of Battelaxe Rd)

Address:

LEASE - PAT Coy  
Box 261 Hill City SD 57745

City/State/Zip:

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

If the route could stay south of the center line it would miss important entrances to the property

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: Steve + Patty Griffin

Address: 22669 Merchen Rd

City/State/Zip: Rapid City SD 57702

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

- ☐ Website  
☒ Other Letter

**1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:**

Concern over public using the right of way for ATV use etc - Can you stop this with enforcement ?? or gating, or fencing?

Concern over the visual aspect of the power line - make it wooden, or the steel the color of the forest ??

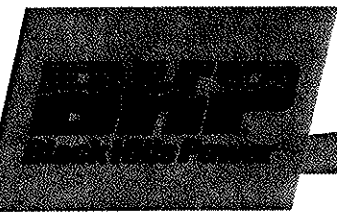
We understand proper, just make it fair for most -

When will folks know which route you will take ??

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

BHP is not even our power company - why should we have to deal with a power line near our property,

Keep it on top of the Ridge -

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

Mark/Ron

Isaac HASSOUN  
BLACK FOREST INN  
23191 Hwy 385  
RC SD 57702

574-2000

\* Would like to have a meeting at the Black Forest Inn to review the routes through this area? There were a number of interested landowners at the meeting?

There map was not included at the public meeting!





# Comment Form

Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Dan Healy - Diesel Machinery Inc.

Address:

3801 N. Deadwood Ave

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City SD 57709

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I can not tell where the line will cross Deadwood Ave on your map.

Can you tell us whose property is involved?

Property Location: 3801 N. Deadwood Ave

Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_

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PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS

Owner (s)

DON HINSON Date 9/24/10  
DENVER CO Time 2:30pm

Telephone #

303-278-3076

Type of Contact

Witness Present

Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description

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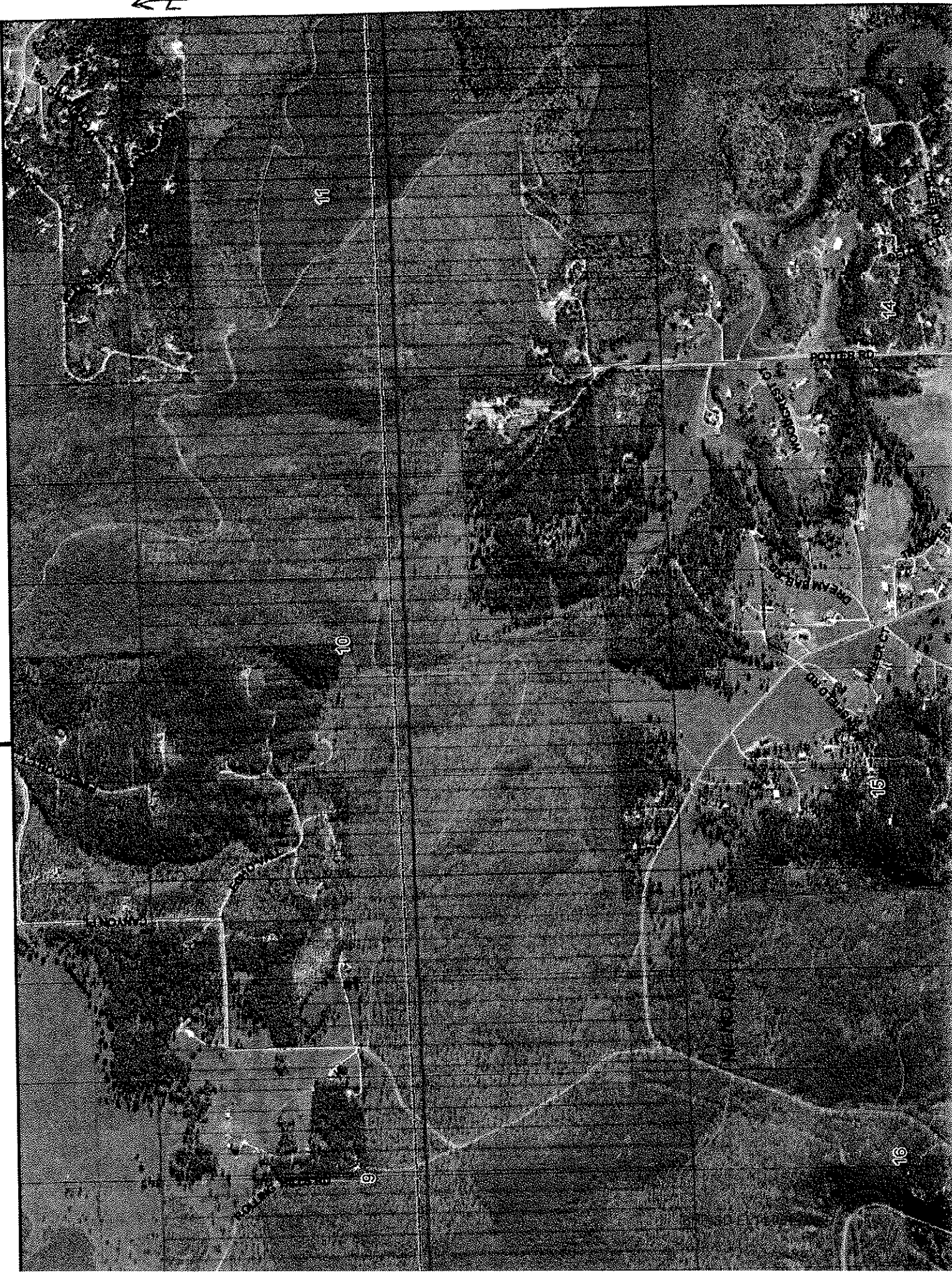
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(CANYON PLACE)

WOULD LIKE BETTER MAP. SENT 9/24/10  
INC. MEETING HANDOUTS

ROUTE A, S9/10, T2N, R6E  
PACOLA - LARGE SHEET 1

CLAYMORE2001@yahoo.com





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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

JERILYN Hodder

Address:

5900 EASTSIDE DRIVE

City/State/Zip:

BLACK HAWK, SD 57718

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☒ Project flyer MAILED

☐ Website

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I oppose plan A because the large towers will be visible from my house and near enough to impact the resale of my house. I'm also not so sure about the healthiness of being so near the transmission lines.

ROUTE A

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PACTOLA - LAUGE, SK. 2

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**BHP**  
Black Hills Power

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

STEPHEN B. HOTER

Address:

13025 PINE DRIVE

City/State/Zip:

RAPID CITY, SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I assume that since I got this letter, your transmission line will run through the middle of the Black Hills National Forest near my home. Frankly, I am totally against any more transmission lines on our national forests or grasslands. How about entertaining the inconvenience of going north of the grasslands and Black Hills along I-90 to Rapid City? The cost of convenience and growth is too steep where our public and individual private lands are concerned.

Property Location: Nemo Road

Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_

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**BHP**  
BLACK HILLS POWER

BHP-SD-EL14-061-000276

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RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS

Owner (s) THEODORE HOVEY Date 9/24/10  
Time 2:25 pm.

Telephone # 787-4478

Type of Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Present \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description 8315 HIGHLAND S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

LOOP S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

57702 S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_

Comments and Remarks: ROUTE C SEC 35, T2N, R6E  
NEMO ROAD PACTOLA-LANCE, SHEET 2

BROTHERS PROPERTY:  
FARTHER OUT NEMO ROAD  
JUST BEFORE NORRIS PEAK ROAD IN NORTH  
(ROLLING HILLS SUB. - EAST END)  
ROUTE A, SEC 8, T2N, R6E  
PACTOLA-LANCE, SHEET 2



Mark Carda  
Manager, T & D Engineering  
Email: Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com

P.O. Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD, 57709  
P: 605.721.2274  
F: 605.721.2323

September 29, 2010

Mr. Theodore Hovey  
8315 Highland Loop  
Rapid City, SD 57702

RE: BHP Proposed Transmission Line

Dear Mr. Hovey:

As per our conversation I've enclosed a map showing Proposed Routes near Highland Loop and farther out on Nemo Road (Rolling Hills). This is just preliminary routes with a final decision coming 8 to 12 months in the future. Let me know if I can be of anymore assistance?

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Carda".

Mark Carda  
Manager, T & D Engineering

Enclosure

# Comment Form

Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

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## Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

DAN HUNTER

Address:

1616 17<sup>th</sup> Ave S

City/State/Zip:

Brookings, SD. 57006

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

My home (23225 S. Prairie Creek RD) looks as though it lies in the area where Alternate B and C intersect (near Pactola), so it appears I have about a 66% chance of these structures being placed on my land. I have a 5 acre parcel with a single family dwelling on the one part of land suitable for building.

My concern, as I'm sure is the same as every one else, is the potential of having multiple "H" structures on my property, and the potential negative impact on the aesthetics around my residence, impacting value. If given a choice, my preference would be Alternative "A", as both B & C impact my property.

Property Location: 23225 S. Prairie Creek RD

Legal Description: Section Township Range

TRACT 23 of Clear Creek Tracts, Pennington County SD

(Please see back)

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Thanks for the opportunity to submit comments via mail. We are not available to attend public hearings due to distance/work commitments of SDSU. If option B or C is chosen, how will we know exactly when our property will be impacted?

Please return any comments you may have on this form to the address below if you are unable to attend the meeting on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Robert Humphreys

Address:

3901 S. Hawthorne ave

City/State/Zip:

Sioux Falls, S. Dak

57105

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☐ Other neighbor

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Residences along The route  
Noise & Emissions from The lines that  
will hinder The people living near by (Health wise)  
Creating a new clear cut in The forest  
if you already have a path cut in The  
forest from a previous line route  
Disturbing the Beauty of Pristine Forest not  
having been disturbed in The Past

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

for These Reason I do not Believe  
Alt A. is a good Choice for The line  
and That a Previous used Route would be  
better.

My Residence is at 22488 Alpine acres  
on The Rochford Rd.

Phone# 348-7853

Thank You

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**Rapid City, SD 57709**



**Carda, Mark**

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**From:** TOM KAREN HUSBAND [tomhusband1@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 14, 2010 7:25 PM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** transmission line

Please accept this email as my comment on the proposed transmission line in Pennington County. I believe alternative A is by far the best route to take as it crosses less public property and would be less obtrusive to residents in the area in and around Johnson Siding. I live in Pine Cliff subdivision right to the north of Johnson Siding and we are about 70 or so home sites that would be entirely too close to alternative C. Alternative B would not be very good either as it is also too close to many of our neighbors in the area. Thanks. Tom Husband 13089 Timber Lane Rapid City, SD 57702

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: DOUG & STACEY JACKSON

Address: 10505 CANYON PLACE

City/State/Zip: RAPID CITY SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

- What other routes were considered other than cutting through the middle of the Black Hills?

- Major concerns are visibility & fire danger - our house will be approx 1/4 mile north of proposed line - we have spent ~12 years clearing & building our home and value our SE view up South Canyon & view of Skyline Drive - A High Voltage power line will impact both the enjoyment & value of our home

- Ironic a BHEC customer has to be impacted for services they cannot utilize

Property Location: 7

Legal Description: 9 Section 2 Township 6 Range

Canyon Place Subdivision Lot 2B Block 2

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Jacob Walks With Eagles

6204 Northdale Drive

Black Hawk, SD 57718

City/State/Zip. \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

N/A

Property Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

How will this New Line affect the  
Black Hawk Area if there are  
Power outages on this New line?

If it doesn't, fine with me.  
I guess it's the extra cost for  
me, I would not want a big  
INCREASE to my Bill. I would  
consider relocating away from BHP.

Sorry!

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Maurice Jones

Address:

Clear Creek Tracts 30

IN TOWN

5750 Sparrow Hawk

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City SD

RC SD

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

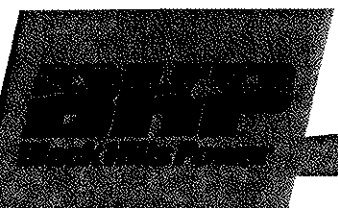
1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Would rather you go along interstate or  
existing power line routes

Map around B.F. INN NOT  
Available at meeting

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Dean + Jennifer Karschnik

Address:

23811 Marshall Gulch Road

City/State/Zip:

Hill City, SD 57745

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☐ Other mailing

**1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:**

Our Property is located in a newly developed subdivision with higher-end value homes. My concern is the devaluation of our property values. We are adjacent to Forest Service, only 500 ft. behind our property + we would not be nearly as opposed to the lines running on the Forest Service property behind our homes.

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DON KATKE

605-759-3759

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IDEALWISS DEVELOPMENT PROPERTY

CONCERNED WITH LINE OVER OR NEAR DEVELOPMENT

WILL MAIL IN COMMENT FORM

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Don and Kay Kattke

Address:

324 E Plum Creek Rd

City/State/Zip:

Sioux Falls, SD 57105

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Please consider the adverse impact of the transmission line on established developments. Our property is in a development which is similar to a small city - with about 70 homes, paved streets, a water system and sewer system - all of which would be impacted by one of the alternative corridors.

Property Location:

120 Swiss Drive, Rapid City, SD

Legal Description:

Section

Township

Range

Edelweiss Mountain Development, Block B, Lot 22

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Steve Kambisch

Address:

23330 Mystic Rd

City/State/Zip:

Hill City, SD 57745

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☒ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I have no problem as long as it is on  
the old existing line.

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CLY Made 10 Sep (Mailed 10 Sep)

This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

Please provide your current mailing address:

PH 605 787-5805

Your Name: ARTHUR L. KETTERLING

Address: 6111 ASH ST

City/State/Zip: BLACK HAWK, SD 57718-9698

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I am sorry I missed your meetings as you stated in your letter (June 29<sup>th</sup> in 2 consecutive Journal Editions. We do not take the Journal! Many cannot afford it, we included!

A bigger blow-up of your track going west from RC would help me determine your exact plans. The large black line going west on the county line or slightly north of the county line will be very close to my property line.

I will attend the Thursday meeting at DFAC (6:00 pm to 8:30 pm)

Thank you for this opportunity! Art Ketterling

Property Location: 6111 ASH ST

BLACK HAWK, SD 57718-9698

Legal Description: Section Township Range

BOP 51 20.54 06 61 As shown on Tax Statement

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

An addressed (franked) postage paid if used  
would have been nice and it would have saved  
some!

A phone call may suffice.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Leon Kleingartner

Address:

11465 Rockford Rd

City/State/Zip:

Hill City, SD 57745

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☒ Other Letter - Received in mail

**1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:**

X ~~Rock~~ The small community of Rockford is one of the more scenic places in the Black Hills, I would hate to see a power line go right over it.

X Power line is too close to South Rapid Creek Valley. Elk, deer, Mtn. Lion etc. is abundant in this area. What affect would it have on wildlife?

X Mikkelsen Trail goes right through Rockford - Big Tourist Attraction.

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Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

Marilyn Klengartner

Address:

11465 Rochford Rd

City/State/Zip:

Hill City, SD 57745-6053

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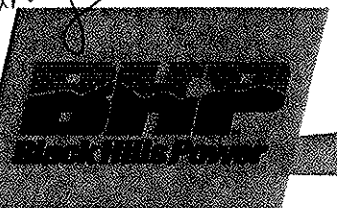
1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

- \* South Rapid Creek Valley has many full time homes & cabins
- \* ~~the~~ The valley is narrow with high ridges
- \* Scenic area (Rochford Area) with numerous recreational advantages
- \* Environmental concerns - the natural beauty with an abundance of wildlife
- \* Hunting area (popular area), fishing
- \* Historical Area (gold mines, community of Rochford)
- \* Mikkelsen Trail area
- \* Black Fox Camp Ground

\* High Tourist area (Please see back)

\* Economic impact of the Rochford Community

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

\* This project is very much opposed by the people of Rochford.

\* NEGATIVE environmental & land owner impact

\* NEGATIVE Recreational / Wildlife / Economic impact

Please consider the other 2 routes for corridor

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

**Carda, Mark**


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**From:** Carda, Mark  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 14, 2010 10:57 AM  
**To:** 'John Knight'  
**Subject:** RE: Proposed Teckla - Osage - Rapid City Transmission Line

John, BHP went through a process to identify three proposed routes from Osage to Rapid City. Each Alternate represents a one mile wide corridor (all landowners within those were sent letters). Any line constructed could fall within those one mile corridors so we have a rather large area to work with. We will take all the information from comment sheets mailed back to our office along with those from the public meeting to establish the final route. That could take up to a year.

If you could send me legal description of your property I could send a better map for your review?

Thank you for the inquiry.

Mark

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**From:** John Knight [mailto:jlknight30@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 13, 2010 8:07 AM  
**To:** Carda, Mark; Dahlinger, Ron  
**Cc:** alisaknight@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Proposed Teckla - Osage - Rapid City Transmission Line

Mark/Ron -

Recently my spouse, Alisa Knight, received in the mail a notice on a public meeting in regards to the proposed referenced transmission line. We appreciate you sending out the mailing and look forward to receiving additional information about the line. As you will notice on the address, we reside in Portland, OR and will be unable to attend the public meeting on September 16th. Is it possible that you can email me the presentation and/or boards that are being used at this meeting?

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I appreciate your thoughts and comments. Either respond to this email or contact me on my cell at 503-860-8903. I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

John

**Carda, Mark**


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**From:** John Knight [jlknight30@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 20, 2010 2:46 PM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed Teckla - Osage - Rapid City Transmission Line  
**Attachments:** Pennington County - Rapid City GIS.pdf

Mark, I used Rapid Map to zoom in on it and get the parcel number. It is a small piece of ground (10 acres). The property is in Section 25, Township 2N Range 6E. Aliquot parts legal (approximate since this is a substation) is the SW4SE4SE4 along Sun Ridge Road.

I have also attached a screen shot.

Thanks

On Mon, Sep 20, 2010 at 7:47 AM, Carda, Mark <Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com> wrote:

Haven't forgot about you. I tried to locate your property based on description but I'm not showing it. Can you give me section, township, range? Might make it easier since subdivision names apparently aren't in our data base.

Mark

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**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed Teckla - Osage - Rapid City Transmission Line

Mark, Haven't heard from you. Are you making the map based upon the parcel number?

Thanks

On Tue, Sep 14, 2010 at 8:35 PM, John Knight <jlknight30@gmail.com> wrote:

Thanks Mark. Please send me a more detailed map. The property I have is in Pennington County and is parcel number 1925400008 OR Lot 1 of the Brentwood subdivision. When you send me the map, please also send a comment card.

Appreciate the response.

John

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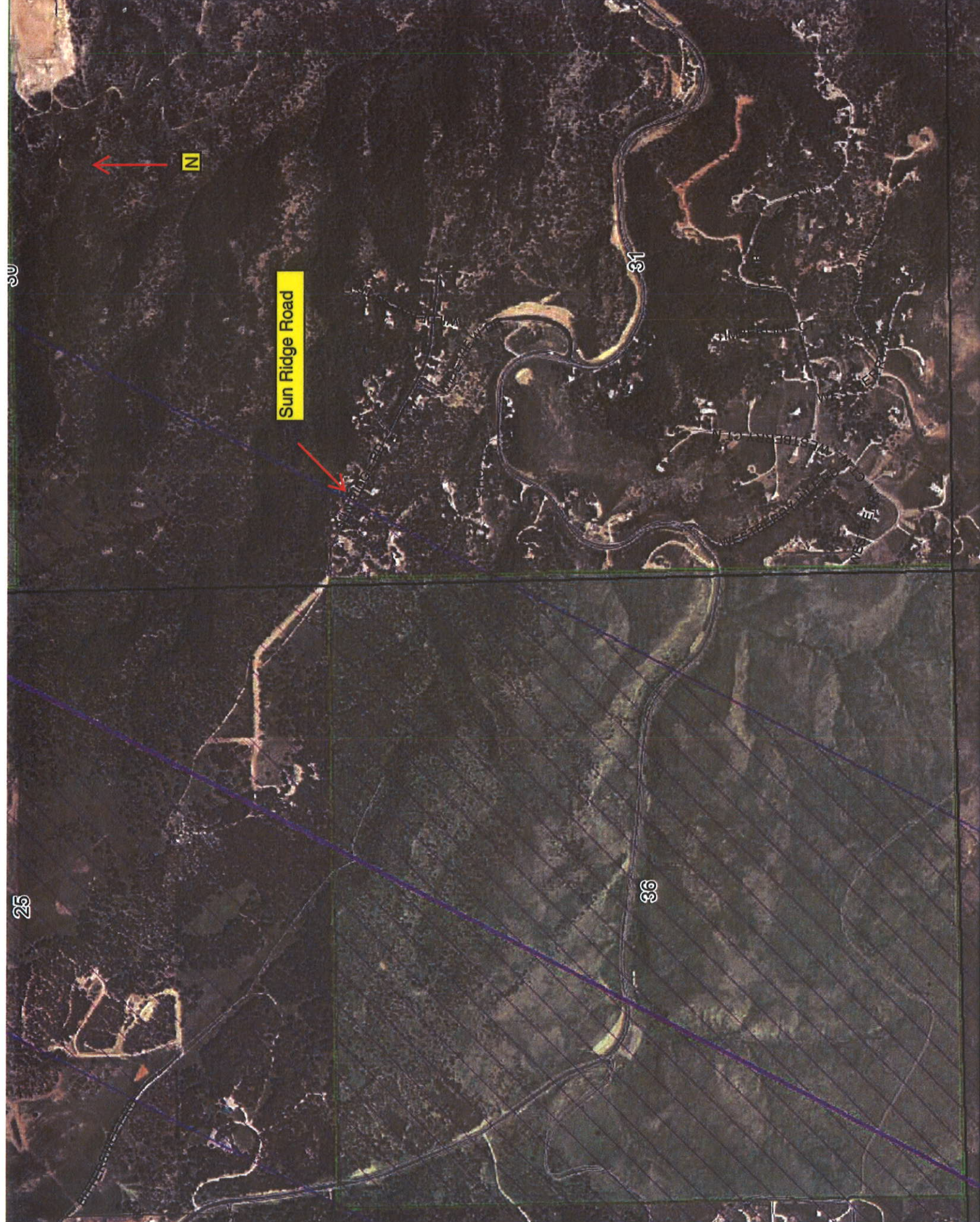
Regards,

John

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**Identify Results**  
Coordinate Position  
StatePlane: SD South FT: 1178362, 655961  
Geographic: 44° 5' 33" N, 103° 20' 30" W  
Tax Parcels  
Parcel ID number: 1935100003  
Tax ID: 1935100003  
Legal description: ALL LESS TRACT 0201, LESS LOT H1 OF NW1/4, LESS LOT H1 OF NE1/4 AND LESS LOT H1 OF SE1/4  
Section: 26  
Township: 26 N  
Range: 6 E  
Acres: 615.55  
Property owner: USA PUBLIC DOMAIN  
Owner City: N/A  
Land use code: 0  
Non-ag struct. assess.: 0  
Ag structure assess.: 0  
Total assessment: 0  
Land type code: N  
Improvements code: C  
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Subdivision code: 0  
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Tax exempt code: FD  
Comments: FROM #49471 FOR 2001  
TID code: 0

S25, T2N, R10E  
Sunrise Road  
jlknight30@gmail.com  
JOHN KNIGHT

# Comment Form

Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

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## Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

Gerald Kutzler

Address:

20499 - 399<sup>th</sup> Ave

City/State/Zip:

Huron, S.D. 57350

Ph. 405-352-8177

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I do not want any of my family living that close to a major high tension power line. As a consultant with an engineering back ground, I'm asked to help dairymen with stray voltage problems. The last one being in Michigan with a power line running along a railroad track close by. We never did solve the problem for this struggling dairyman.

I, as a landowner do not want the "C" option running West of Hill City. Option "A" looks much better for a better future for the Black Hills of South Dakota.

Property Location: West of Hill City, SD  
23950 Gray Road

Legal Description: Section Township Range  
All 15-04E, Sec. 23 0000094 HES # 94, 15-04E Sec 26 0000208 HES # 20  
15-04E Sec 27 E 1/2 NE 1/4, 15-04E Sec 26 W 1/2 NW 1/4

'Gray Ranch' contains  
242 acres.

(Please see back)

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Lined area for providing additional comments.

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# Comment Form

Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Darlene Gray Kutzler

Address:

20499-399<sup>th</sup> Ave.

City/State/Zip:

Huron, SD 57350

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

If Alternative C is chosen, it will have a huge impact on a narrow strip of property. There is no way we want or will allow this transmission line to cross our property on this list.

The ROW width will cover too much land. Black Hills Electric Coop is the only transmission line which serves our property and they are already in the same location as proposed Alternative C. We do not want another line on the property.

It appears that Alternative A would impact fewer properties and be a more direct route with fewer ~~gates~~ back

Property Location: West of Hill City - 23950 Gray Road

Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_

15-04E Sec 26 0000208 HES #208, 15-04E Sec 27 E 1/2 NE 1/4

15-04E Sec 26 W 1/2 NW 1/4, 15-04E Sec 23 0000094 HES #94 All

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

twists and turns. This line, if B or C are chosen, would impact the scenic beauty of the most visited part of the Black Hills. We land owners do not want to look at it either.  
It seems that Alternative A has to be the best choice considering cost and impact.  
As far as not seeing the advertisements, most landowners would not think BHP would have anything that would impact the areas B or C cross. In the future, all communication should be in letters to landowners. Most people recycle the advertisement section without reading it. Direct communication is the only way to reach those impacted – not meetings that are advertised. It is a well-researched fact that fewer people subscribe to or read newspapers today.

Darlene Gray Kutzler

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Sandra & Larry Ashby

Address:

22576 Hwy 385

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

① The most remote (away from homes whenever possible) seems the safest for people.

② The least visible from major roads would help preserve the beauty of the Hills

Please notify me of future meetings.

Property Location:

Ripley Ridge adjacent to Bogus Jim & 385

Legal Description:

Section

Township

Range

ROUTE A

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Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

James F. Lawler

Address:

22506 Deer Meadow Dr.

City/State/Zip:

Deadwood, S.D. 57732

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

- ☐ Website  
☐ Other

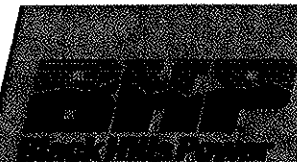
letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I would prefer one of the two southern routes  
I live 1 1/2 miles west of 585 on Richland Rd  
I have 28 acres - 1/2 home two ponds.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: Kristi Lewis

Address: 24314 458 Ave

City/State/Zip: Madison, SD 57042

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I support Alt A route due to the least environmental and residential impact to the Black Hills. Routes Alt B & Alt C greatly impact more private land and the highly populated areas of the Black Hills. Tourism is important to the affected areas. Hill City & Pactola areas provide aesthetic beauty to the area. A transmission line of this size would impact the beauty of this area and ultimately detract from the natural beauty of this area.

I have noticed the amount of land that is impacted by transmission lines in the Black Hills and the lines detract from the beauty of the area.

Property Location: West of Hill City 23950 Gray Road

Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_  
15-04E Sec 23 000094 HES # 94 All, 15-04E Sec 26 W 1/2 NW 1/4  
15-04E Sec 26 000028 HES # 208, 15-04E Sec 27 E 1/2 NE 1/4

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Route C  
Hill City Area, SH. 1

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

detract from the beauty, tourism is important to the Black Hills area affected by Alt C + Alt B.  
Alt Route C has a direct impact on our family ranch. We currently have a large power line running through the ranch. This is a working ranch with hay, cattle and timber as major sources of income to our tenants and family.  
A line of this size could jeopardize the operation of the family working ranch.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: JERRY LITZEL

Address: 10800 NEMO ROAD

City/State/Zip: RAPID CITY SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

WE DO NOT WANT THIS ON OUR  
PROPERTY.

Property Location: 10800 NEMO ROAD

Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_  
MONUMENT SUBDIVISION LOT 2

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Alan Maas

Address:

13286 Chipmunk Place

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City SD 57702

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☐ Newspaper advertisement

☒ Project flyer

☐ Website

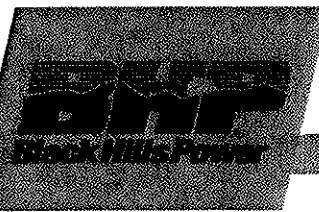
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I realize we need improvements on our grid but if I have to see or hear a transmission line on or near our property I need to know now so I can sell my property and find a new place before the property value falls off! I would like to know how much noise a line of this size makes. How about taking the money spent to make this transmission line and give us the money to spend on solar and other alternative energy to become less dependant on the grid!

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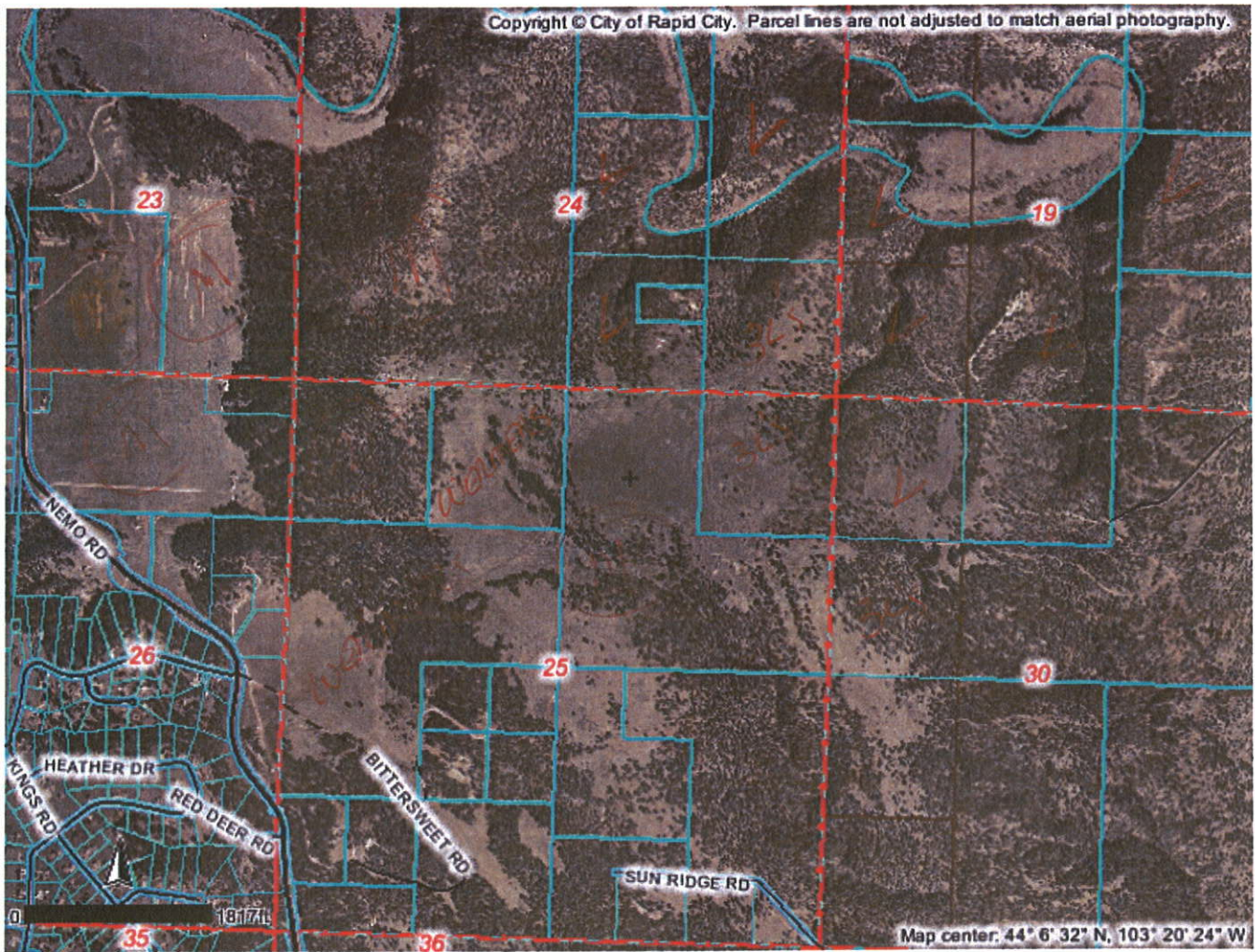




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Madison Property (M) above (6 of them)

MAVIS MADISON - HISTORICAL PROPERTY  
WILL FIGHT IF CROSS



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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Kevin MAIER

Address:

22483 Jenny Gulch RD

City/State/Zip:

Deadwood SD

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☐ Project flyer

☒ Other Neighbor

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I would prefer you used the Red Line on the Map Route B

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**Black Hills Power**  
BHP

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## Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

Mask, Claudia

Address:

PO Box 414

City/State/Zip:

Bushland, TX 79012

9-21-10

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I would be opposed to any route that would adversely affect building (primarily residential) on my property. I have looked at the maps on your website. They appear to me to possibly affect my property to the west and north.

\* I would like to know the actual distance between my property lines and the closest proposed transmission line.

My best and most desirable building site is the north-west corner of my property. It is my main concern that this area not be disturbed in any way.

Sincerely, Claudia Mask

Property Location:

TBD Marshall Gulch Rd.

Legal Description:

Tr B Section 19 Township 1 S Range 5 E

ALT-C

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Hill City AREA, SH-1

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Bret McBride

Address:

12195 Paradise Ln

City/State/Zip:

RC SD 57702

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We have Rolling Hills Dev. on Nemo Rd. The proposed route A passes thru the middle of our land. On the south end of our property on the county line is the buck area from 2007<sup>th</sup> that would be a much better route for us + residents of Rolling Hills.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Ed McBride

Address:

1211 Flormann ST

City/State/Zip:

RC SD 57701

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

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☐ Website

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

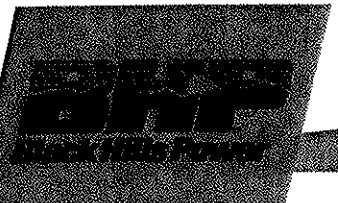
1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Rolling Hills Dev.

BEST IF SOUTH SIDE (OLD BURN AREA).

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Roy McLaws

Address:

22463 Alpine Acres Dr.

City/State/Zip:

Desdwood SD 57732

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- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

- ☐ Website  
☒ Other

Letter mailed to us.

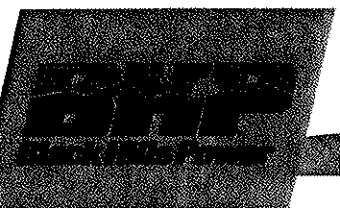
1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

please use Either B or C. I feel it would be better to use corridors that are already existing as the public would most likely welcome the idea. I live in a neighbor hood on Rockford Rd. where the power lines would not be welcome.

We do not want you to use the upper Route.

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

would you please use the  
Lower Routes as they already  
have had Pwr lines in them before  
and it would be less of an  
Impact.

Worst Case Scenario. if you must  
use the upper Route at least keep it out  
of Lawrence CO. and make it  
I see no Reason why it cannot  
move South a little as it Nears Rapid City.  
if you have Questions you may call me.  
Roy - 484-5272

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**Rapid City, SD 57709**

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Sonja & Eddie Newton

Address:

7109 Grosbreak Ln

City/State/Zip:

Black Hawk, SD 57718

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- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website



Other

Letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I just want to know which line and  
want to be kept in the loop on the process

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: Richard K. & Sandra Olson

Address: 12349 Rochford Road

City/State/Zip: Deadwood, So. Dakota 57732

**1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:**

Plan A would be an infringement on a beautiful, peaceful area.

The proposed route of Plan A puts the line through the private property of several homes located in an area known as Alpine Acres and Jim Creek valley. The line would be in sight of Rochford Road & several homes.

We hope you do NOT select →

Property Location: 12349 Rochford Road. We are .7 miles west of Hwy 385 on Rochford Rd.

Legal Description: Section 002 Township 04 Range  
Lot 1 of SW 1/4 SE 1/4 & E 1/2 Lot 2  
of HES 111

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

the northern route A as it appears on the map.  
If this route is chosen, please keep it south of Rochford Road and the Alpine Acres and Jim Creek Valley area.

This route makes a north turn in Section T2NR3E toward Rochford Road. Instead of turning north, please consider proceeding straight east crossing this area a half to a mile further south of Rochford Road.

Please check to see if we are on your mailing list & keep us informed on this matter.

We are not sure we received this mailing from you - a neighbor gave us a copy.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Wayne ORTMAN

Address:

P.O. Box 157

City/State/Zip:

CANISTOTA S.D. 57012

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☐ Project flyer

- ☐ Website  
☒ Other LETTER

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Mickelson Trail - RATED 1 OF THE TOP TRAILS IN THE USA. Should NOT become a SITE FOR TRANSMISSION LINES FOR TRAVELERS TO VIEW.

Rapid Creek along PART OF THE TRAIL

ALT A NO

HAVING BEEN HIT BY LIGHTING - I'M VERY SENSITIVE TO ELECTRIC FIELDS SO I WILL NOT BE WANTING MORE

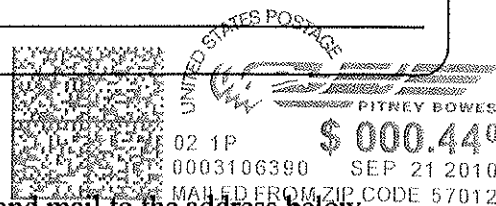
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**BHP**  
Black Hills Power

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Lined area for providing additional comments.



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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

SYLVAN G. PAULSON

Address:

3430 Cottonwood ST APT A

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

This plot was purchased in over 40 years ago and have lived on the land over 30 years. It is my plans to spend my later years on this land in peace, and enjoy the beauty of the Black Hills. Please run these lines over the national forest and out of site of residence homes. I will do everything in my power to avoid the view of your proposed transmission line from my front porch and the view of the forest land in my area.

Property Location: Lot 2 Woodland Valley Subdivision No 2 (10 acres)

Legal Description: NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 Section 14 Township T2N Range R6E B. H. M.

22524 Potter Road, Rapid City, SD 57702

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Please contact me if my property will be considered to be in the proposed routes for this Transmission line.

SYLVAN G. PAULSON  
3430 Cottonwood St, Apt A  
Rapid City, SD 57702  
(605) 342-4128

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Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

Harley C. Peterson

Address:

6013 Hillside Dr

City/State/Zip:

Black Hawk SD 57718

I am house bound and can't get out anymore for the meetings

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

The first issue is how much is it going to cost us over the cost, going to pay for it. I feel like you gave us a good kick in the butt I feel like that raise was just corporate greed. I have lost all my respect for Black Hills Power and I will strongly oppose the transmission line if you would have sent a comment letter like this before and when you were building the generator I would have felt different. I'm sorry to say that I don't trust BHP anymore and I say no to your transmission line and I will be writing letters to the PSC opposing this line  
Harley Peterson

Property Location:

Parcel 80, 63, 03, 05

Legal Description:

20 Section 63 Township 03 Range 05

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Loulyn Stratton — Steve Post

Address:

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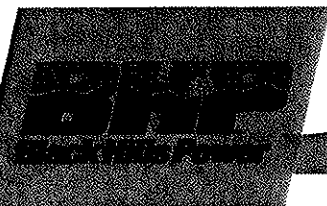
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1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Look for Rock Quarry around 100 Acres  
Band C B- and C Run Thru area  
of Quarry

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Marylou Pierce

Address:

22660 Merchen Rd

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD. 57702

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OWNERS LOCATED ON "B"

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

MICHAEL & ADRIANNE PRUNTY

Address:

13009 OVERLOOK DR

City/State/Zip:

RAPID CITY, SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

SELECT ALTERNATE ROUTE A

Property Location:

13009 OVERLOOK DR

Legal Description:

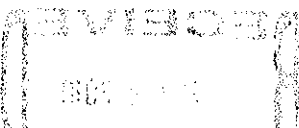
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LOT 7R MOUNTAIN PINE SUBDIVISION PENNINGTON COUNTY SD  
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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

*SELECT ALTERNATE ROUTE 'A'*

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Perry Rahn

Address:

11950 McVey Rd.

City/State/Zip:

Hill City, SD 57245

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I don't like Alt. B because it goes right through my place.

Property Location: SW 1/4, SE 1/4, S. 29 T1N R4E

Legal Description: Section Township Range

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

## Carda, Mark

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**From:** Carda, Mark  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 22, 2010 8:43 AM  
**To:** 'nick'  
**Subject:** RE: Teckla-Osage Power Line  
**Attachments:** Reed.pdf

Nick, see response below.  
Mark

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**From:** nick [mailto:nrreed@copper.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 20, 2010 12:49 PM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Teckla-Osage Power Line

September 20, 2010

Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering, Black Hills Power.

This is regarding the comment form on the Teckla-Osage- Rapid City 230 kv power line.

I just have a few questions about this project.

If my property is within one of the corridors how close am I to the right of way? **Your property falls near the edge of one corridor. Each alternative represents a mile wide corridor. We are probably a year out before we finalize an actual route.**

What about property values, is this going to have an effect on them? **In most cases a line has minimal effects on values.**

Would there be any noise emitted from the lines, as I have read about this in the paper? **Design is based on all required codes.**

My property is located at 6402 CottonWood Ct. BlackHawk, SD 57718. **I've attached a better map showing Alternate A and your property.**

It is in Borden subdivision Lot 1 of tract G in lot 6.

Thank You.

Nick Reed

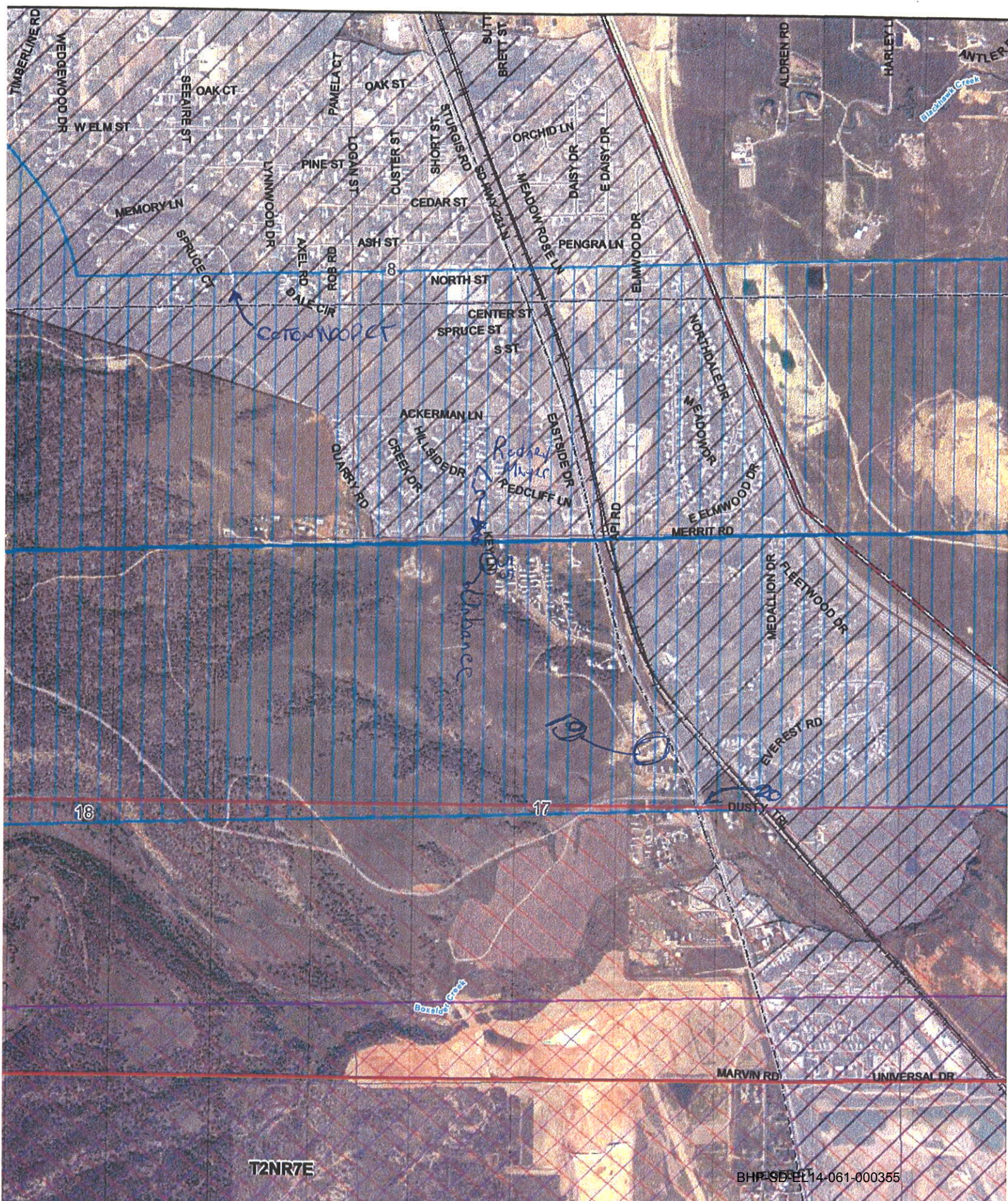
6402 CottonWood Ct. Black Hawk, SD 57718

605-787-5967

Email-nrreed@copper.net



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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Robert Reznicek

Address:

9401 Schroeder Rd

City/State/Zip:

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57702

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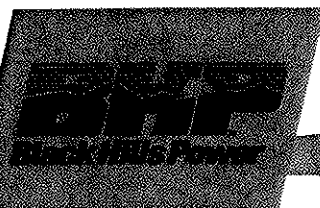
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Has Property on "C" AVOID IF POSSIBLE

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**Carda, Mark**


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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Friday, September 17, 2010 4:50 PM  
**To:** Rickerts, John  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** RE: New Power Line Issue  
**Attachments:** 3685\_001.pdf

Thank you, John for your comments. We had a good turnout at our meeting last night and got some good input from landowners regarding our project.

We did not do a presentation at our meeting last night but worked with landowners to show them where their property was relative to the three alternative routes and I have attached the handout information we gave to attendees to this E mail. The project information meetings we have had are just the first step in the line routing process and the Forest Service will also be having meetings in the future as most of these routes are largely on Forest Service Property. The Forest Service EIS (environmental impact statement) process is expected to take about two years and we have just started working with them in this route selection process. At this point, when the decision is made as to which route would be the best route taking into consideration private property owners and the issues in the Forest including sensitive species, cultural sites, etc. could take up to two years or more.

We will document your comments and include them with the comments we have received at our meeting. Please contact me in the future if you have more questions or concerns or want to check on the status of this project. The other contact person in my office is Mark Carda, who is the project manager and his E mail address is [mark.carda@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:mark.carda@blackhillscorp.com).

Thanks again

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**From:** Rickerts, John [mailto:John.Rickerts@harley-davidson.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 16, 2010 4:46 PM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Cc:** 'rec\_2@charter.net'  
**Subject:** New Power Line Issue  
**Importance:** High

Ron Dahlinger,

My name is John Rickerts and I am the owner of Lot #4 in the Wheel Inn Acre subdivision along Highway 385. I have also been in contact with Roger Harmon who is the owner of Lot #3 in the same subdivision. We are both absentee owners of these properties as is the owner of Lot #5 a Mr. Tom Gilten whose son Dan has already begun building their retirement home on that lot. Having just received your letter of Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> this past Monday Sept.13th explaining that there will be a meeting TONIGHT there in Rapid City to show the interested parties what the implications are of this new high power line, none of us are able to attend that meeting tonight. We would all have to travel a long way to get there for this open house and with this short of notice that is not manageable.

What I can tell you on behalf of Mr. Harmon and myself is that we are adamantly AGAINST Alt. B & C and would only find Alt. A acceptable in our circumstance and location. We have bought this property for the pristine environment the Horse Creek area offers to us for our retirement years along with the fact that we all would and are building new homes in this area that would be compromised with this kind of high power running almost directly over our heads. You represent the Power Company and I am sure are aware of the extremely poor health & living conditions this would create for us and any other living animal life that would be directly affected by this kind of line running this close to the existing and future homes. All of us bought this property several years ago without any knowledge of anything of this type being possible since this area sits within the Black Hills National Forest where we assumed that this kind of "commercial" project would not even be possible.

In looking at these 3 routes via a satellite map all 9 of the new property owners including the new owner of the Horse Creek Inn, Mr. Mark Ruddeforth would be adversely affected due to the proposed location of Alt. C

and so far Mr. Harmon and I are both AGAINST Alt. B as well as I am sure the other new property owners would be once they realize just where Alt. B or C places this power line in relation to their properties and future homes.

Since I/we will not be able to attend this evenings Open House around this topic I am requesting you send me a copy of any and all presentation materials from this evenings meeting. I am not sure how "Eminent Domain" comes in to play here but once I have retained legal representation I will be pursuing whatever course necessary to officially protest the possibility of Alt. B & C.

Thank you for your time and consideration and I will look forward to your reply and the related materials from this evenings Open House for our further review.

Respectfully,

John & Kathy Rickerts  
Property owners of Lot #4 in the Wheel In Acres subdivision  
S54W23920 Woodmere Trace  
Waukesha, WI. 53189  
WK# - 414-343-4546  
Home # - 262-650-0263

Roger Harmon  
Owner of Lot #3  
North Platte NE.  
WK# - 308-534-0070  
Cell# - 308-530-1189

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

DAVE RIEMENSCHNEIDER

Address:

7100 SUN RIDGE RD

City/State/Zip:

RAPID CITY, S.D. 57702

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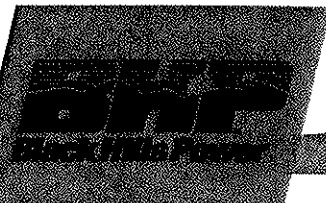
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

ALTERNATIVE "C" CROSSES THRU MY 10 ACRE RESIDENCE. THE DEVELOPEMENT INCLUDES 1100 ACRES SUBDIVIDED INTO 10 ACRE LOTS. CITY/COUNTY HAS RECENTLY INSTALLED A NEW CHIPSEAL ROAD INTERSECTING PROPOSED ROUTE. AS IT APPEARS, THE LINE WILL CROSS DIRECTLY OVER MY 6000 SQ. FT RESIDENCE.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Dennis & Jo-Jean Roy

Address:

22587 Lightning Ridge

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD 57702

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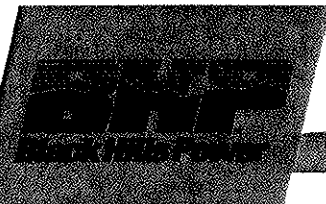
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1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Prefer not to have it cross any smaller parcels of private property. Don't want it to ruin the beauty of "our" Black Hills.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: JEFF SALINE

Address: 4543 Sturgis Rd

City/State/Zip: Rapid City, SD 57702

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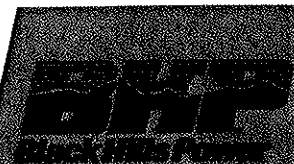
I'd rather see you pick route A but if it's B or C  
I'll live with it.

I am concerned with noise or other interference.

2/4- Routes B, C.

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Thank you for the opportunity to review the project  
and make comments.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: John Sanders (Sanders Ranch)

Address: 23266 Hwy 385

City/State/Zip: RC SD 57702

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**1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:**

If you have to come through The Ranch, put the towers on the west side of existing power line otherwise it will be too close to my existing house and the Buffalo Pasture in the middle of the Bald Hills will not be affected. I don't want the large steel towers which will really affect the value of the property.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Linda & Roger Sandness

Address:

11521 Melchert Pl.

City/State/Zip:

Rockford, SD 57745

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☒ Other

we didn't hear about the meeting until after it was over. A friend picked this form up for us.

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

- ALT A -

\* This is pristine wilderness and needs to be protected

\* This area provides significant habitat for elk, bald eagles, mountain lions and other nationally rare species

\* This area is rich with historical sites including ghost towns, stagecoach stops, mines and the Custer expedition route

\* Alt B is already designated as a route so use it and not destroy another area  
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**BHP**  
Black Hills Power

2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

We are very concerned about the ALT A route. My husband and I saved our whole careers to buy land in the Black Hills that was in the wilderness away from high line wires, busy roads and lots of people. After a long search we found this place and spent the next 10 years building our home ourselves during the summers. We put our blood, sweat, tears and finances into this and are now retired living here and enjoying what we dreamed about. Obviously, we didn't dream about ugly transmission lines destroying our beautiful environment or our property value.

Your map shows that ALT B already has substations on it so must be designated already as a right-of-way. Why in the world would you consider ripping up beautiful, rare wilderness when you already have a useable route according to your own map?

Please, please don't ruin what we have worked our whole lives to establish.

Take a minute please and put yourself in our shoes and truly experience what this feels like. Thank you.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

DONNA SAVAGE

Address:

10800 CANYON PL

City/State/Zip:

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PLEASE AVOID MY PROPERTY DIRECTLY. HEALTH AFFECTS ARE ALSO A CONCERN.

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James Schad

9/23/10

22501 Potter Rd

Rapid City S.D.  
57702

Dear Mark Carda,

We have heard of the power line going through our area + we are strongly apposed to it! It would ruin a very pretty part of the Black Hills. It would ruin our homes! Why not run the power line along the freeway where the scenery is already scattered with power lines.

We donot support the idea in any way!

Thankyou very much-

Sincerely

Jim & Kathy Schad

SEC 14, T2N, R6E





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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Sandra Fairbrother: Dale Scheurer Estate

Address:

22500 Potter Road

City/State/Zip:

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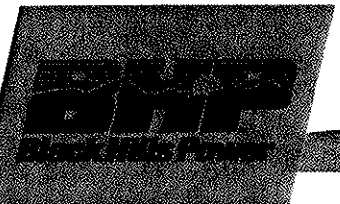
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**1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:**

My father has had this land for 41 years. He passed away and we just replatted it. I live in the original house. It is right in the middle of your proposed line. I will have 3 ~~acres~~ acres and it will be right in my back door. This house is in a valley and the sight is very valuable. It will depreciate the land and I don't want a powerland in my back or front yard!! Both my brothers have the same problem

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

I think you ought to go where there are already existing lines rather than disturb & make new ones

I am against this and will fight it every way possible!!!!

When a person owns land for 40 years they ought to not have to have a line on their land.

Go where there are lines!

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**Carda, Mark**


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**From:** Carda, Mark  
**Sent:** Monday, September 20, 2010 9:33 AM  
**To:** 'Jeff Schleusener'  
**Subject:** RE: Teckla to Osage to Lange transmission lines

Jeff, thank you for your concerns and input. We are a long way from having a route established and will include all comments into our decision. Each of these alternatives represent a mile wide corridor with anyone potentially having the line sited on it. This will take some time since we are working with the Forest Service as well and individuals like yourself. Sure we are a year+ out before we are at a point where a true route is in place.

Mark

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**From:** Jeff Schleusener [mailto:jtschleus@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 18, 2010 2:05 PM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Teckla to Osage to Lange transmission lines

Dear Sir:

Unfortunately, I was unable to come to the BHP open house on September 16, 2010 but I did want you to understand my misgivings about this transmission line.

I am very concerned about one of the proposed routes for the Teckla-Osage-Lange transmission line. As I read the map, Alt A would go right through my back yard. I'm not even a BHP customer at this residence (you don't provide service to this area).

I am concerned about potential adverse health effects, loss of property value and having to look at an unsightly transmission line in my back yard. Is BHP going to reimburse me for the loss of my property value? buy our property outright? reimburse medical expenses?

Certainly there are other routes that would not affect so many people/homes as we have here in this neighborhood.

Do my neighbors and I have to "lawyer-up" to stop this? I get the sense talking to my neighbors that legal action wouldn't be out of the question.

I am strongly opposed to Alt A in this proposed transmission line,

Jeff and Lauri Schleusener

13396 Bone Path

Rapid City, SD 57702

(my home is located off Nemo Rd, off Potter Rd. My back yard borders Meade County)

342-0281





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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Stan Scheurer

Address:

22514 Petter Rd,

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD, 57702

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☐ Other

letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I do not want this on my land. I will  
fight it on my land.

(Please see back)

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

## RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS

**Owner (s)**

RICK SCHLIZING Date 9/14/10

Time \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone #**

651-688-7147

Type of Contact

**Witness Present**

Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

### Legal Description

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NEMO ROAD PROPERTY  
STAGE BARN ADDITION -



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Dr.  
Your Name:

Randy Schussner?

Address:

City/State/Zip:

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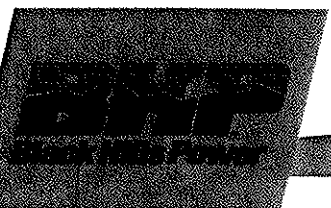
- ☐ Website  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Nemo Road Property

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Please provide your current mailing address:

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

7201 PINEWOOD COURT  
RAPID CITY, SD 57702

LEGAL DESC.: W 1/2 OF NE 1/4 NW 1/4 SEC. 10 T2N-R6E

Your Name:

GREGORY & KRISTI SCHNEIDER

Address:

1447 CASTLE POINTE DRIVE

City/State/Zip:

CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104

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☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☐ Project flyer

☒ Other RECEIVED LETTER

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The Black Hills are stunningly beautiful. We look out our window as we write this and are still in awe. As former residents of South Dakota, we couldn't wait to move back and began the search for the perfect retirement home. We took our time and looked at many properties in the hopes of finding that perfect property. We felt so fortunate when we finally found it - a gorgeous 20-acre lot with a beautiful log home. The reason we bought the property was clear; undisturbed, natural beauty.

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surrounding our home. You can imagine our horror in receiving your letter stating your intent to basically ruin our beautiful property and that of our neighbors. We not only do not want to have to view the very invasive power lines (which are HUGE!), but also take huge offense at the amount of trees that will be removed in the process. It will be a huge violation to this property. It seems very wrong to come directly through a neighborhood with no regard to the residents who have spent large amounts of money for these properties (including us). There is no doubt it will have an extremely negative effect on our property. Property values will lower, our beautiful view will be damaged, and this will indeed affect the value. That being the case, it may be difficult for resale and also for obtaining necessary appraisals should someone wish (or need) to refinance, creating financial hardship. This could easily harm many of the residents in this area. We are paying very high property taxes for these properties which, I am sure, will not go down even if resale is difficult and values drop. We wish to state with all sincerity that we are hoping you will choose a path that will not cause destruction to our neighborhood. We feel it will be a huge detriment to our property in value, view and our future use and enjoyment. We do not wish our grandchildren to hike around the power lines nor do we want the lines near our property. Thank you for your consideration.

Kristi Schneider

Gregg Schneider

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709

**Carda, Mark**

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**From:** Carda, Mark  
**Sent:** Monday, September 27, 2010 9:52 AM  
**To:** 'Sue Schwaneke'  
**Subject:** BHP Proposed line  
**Attachments:** 3938\_001.pdf

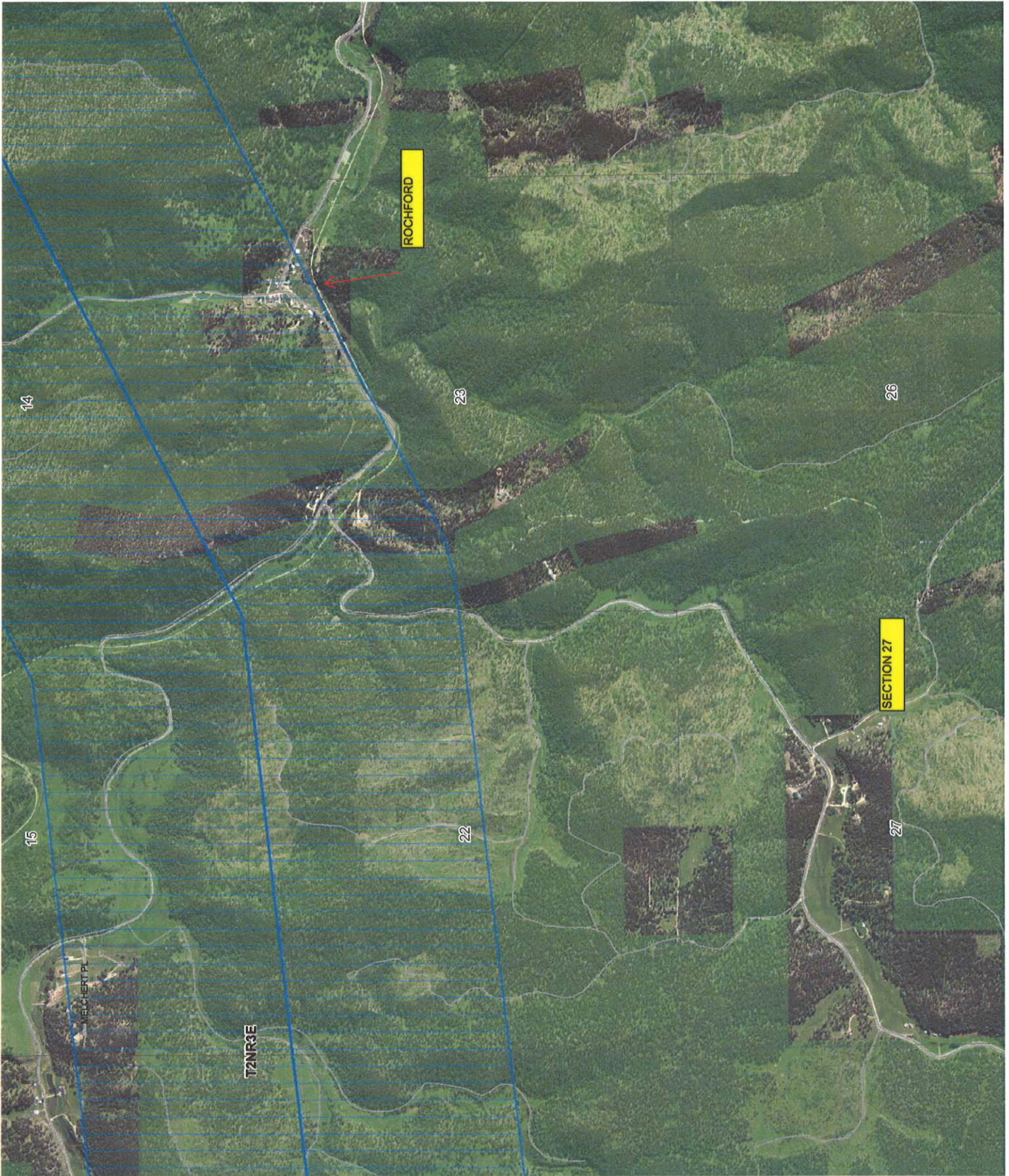
Sue, attached is a map showing Rochford and section 27. Obviously we would not build a line right over or through the town of Rochford. This is just one of the three proposed routes and each shows a mile wide corridor. We could build anywhere within one of the three corridors. At this point we are a year or more out before we have a preferred route.

Mark

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**From:** BH CORP. ENGINEERING [mailto:RCOC1GS02@blackhillscorp.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 27, 2010 9:49 AM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Attached Image







## Carda, Mark

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**From:** Sue Schwaneke [schwaneke@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 27, 2010 9:12 AM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Re: Teckla Project

Mark, thank you for your prompt response.

Below are the legal descriptions-

Legal Description:	2N-03E SEC 27 E1/2SW1/4NW1/4 & W20' OF C S LANE (A PRIVATE DRIVE EASEMENT LOCATED IN THEE1/2SW1/4NW1/4) LESS CO RD ROW
Property ID:	16-27-100-003
Tax ID:	0014284
Legal Description:	ROCHFORD TOWNSITE PATENT SUBD LOT I OF LOT 13
Property ID:	16-23-226-001
Tax ID:	0008333

Sue

-----Original Message-----

From: Carda, Mark <Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com>  
To: Sue Schwaneke <schwaneke@aol.com>  
Sent: Mon, Sep 27, 2010 10:05 am  
Subject: RE: Teckla Project

Sue, if you give me the legal description of your property I could email you a better map?

Mark

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**From:** Sue Schwaneke [mailto:schwaneke@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 25, 2010 11:24 AM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Teckla Project

I have received your letter regarding the proposed project to install new transmission lines.

However, the map offered on line does not provide enough information as to where the lines would be. I have property in the town of Rochford and ranch land approximately 3 miles outside the town. I cannot identify Rochford on the map, nor are any of the road labeled. If the Proposal A is going over the town of Rochford, I would strenuously object to this route.

Is there another map available that would provide these details?

Thank you.



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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

*Dorothy Keller*

Address:

*10900 Nemo Rd*

City/State/Zip:

*Rapid City SD 57702*

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

*I do not want this on my property*

Property Location:

Legal Description: Section Township Range

*Monument Subdivision Lot 1*

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Lined area for providing additional comments.

Please return any comments you may have on this form to the address below if you are unable to attend the meeting on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Jeanie Severson / Cheryl Hesse

Address:

6480 + 6500 Custer St

City/State/Zip:

Black Hawk SD 57718

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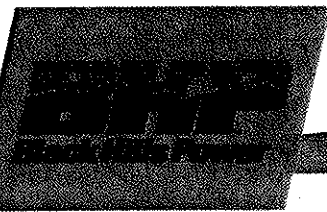
☒ Other Mailing

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

If you choose ALT A please take it through  
Pete Lin's quarry BUT it looks like ALT C  
is the Best + Lowest impact on peoples lives  
+ health.

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

[illegible]

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Kent Simon

Address:

13651 Chariot Pl

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD 57702

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1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I have a solar house with 20 2 story windows facing South and I would not like to be looking at a power line. I have heard High Voltage power lines when the weather is wet and I don't want the noise. I am afraid that the power line will scare all the wild life away around my house. I do not want A+ A!!  
If you would give us the money that the will

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

cost for a Solar Electric System for our  
houses we would lower the demand on the Grid.  
See my Land & House on Your Map #46

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Tim + Jeanne Simon

Phone - 605-341-1986

Address:

7104 Grosbeak Ln

email - bhsimon@rap.midco.net

City/State/Zip:

Black Hawk SD 57718

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☒ Other mailed notice to us

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Our property is located in Woodland Hills Subdivision, a housing development with pristine views, uncluttered by large power lines. The scenery is an important and valuable part of this area. We bought the property based on the beautiful view, which also makes the property much more valuable.

Route A - Blue

SEC. 11, T2N, R6E

PACTOLA - LAKE, SH 2 (Please see back)

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

All power lines in Woodland Hills Subdivision are buried, so they leave the views unobstructed. The Route A would go right across our view, which would de-value our property.

Also - we are unable to get natural gas in this area due to the rocky lands - they are not able to dig in gas lines. So perhaps the rocks would also prohibit digging in power poles.

Are there transmission lines already in place in other areas that could be expanded to include these new lines? This would save time & money from having to clear new forest areas for another line.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Michael Smith

Address:

4475 Crooked Oaks Rd.

City/State/Zip:

Piedmont SD 57765

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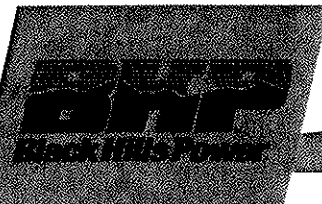
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1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Alternative B - goes through my property  
A - is next to my property

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*Please send to Perm, City officials*

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

*Kathleen Aoli*

Address:

*13114 N. Creek View*

City/State/Zip:

*Rapid City (Johnson Siding) SD, 57702*

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

*lines must be buried. "Integrated Transmission Network" is vulnerable to sabotage/EMP.*

*By "Future demand" you mean oil stations to run oil from Canada to Texas to sell to the Chinese. Gravity alone won't bring the oil that far.*

*The local controlled growth department has nothing to do with ensuring we don't outgrow our clean air, water and land. No ~~to~~ a Pactola substation. Your above ground lines have already destroyed the previously pristine beauty of the Black Hills.*

*Your expected date of service is underestimated to keep people off their guard.*

Property Location: *Johnson Siding. US Forest Land is on top of my property. I want to keep it that way - Free of huge transmission lines.*

Legal Description: *Lot 4 Section 21 Township 1N Range 6E*

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

You are saying a 230 kV line but we know that's just a way to get your foot in the door and that you'll be able to increase the voltage at any time. Thinking people know that high voltages ~~lines~~ are capable of splitting the human genome. You require a right-of-way width of 125 feet because of a NIOSH study that speaks of the negative effects of electricity on human health.

Siting along the freeway is fine but do not touch Forest Service - National Forest land.

Ask the state health commission what the turn over is for houses next to powerlines. How many owners died?

Ask the people who have fought so hard to keep substation out of their neighborhoods and away from their schools why they fought so unceasingly.

Powerlines must be buried - Ask the Pine Ridge and Rosebud residents how long they were without power last winter.

We have enough wind, solar and geothermal energy potential in this clean state. we don't need coal generated electricity here to pump oil to Texas for export.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

*Eugene Solseth*

Address:

*4761 Sturgis Road*

City/State/Zip:

*57702*

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*None*

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: MARTIN & KATHRYN SPAHN

Address: 22801 MORRIS PEAK ROAD

City/State/Zip: RAPID CITY, SD 57702 (605) 343-6824

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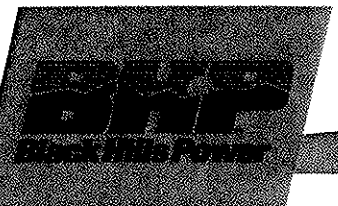
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EMF EXPOSURE AND RELATED POSSIBLE HEALTH RISKS

FOR EXAMPLE: CHILDHOOD LEUKEMIAS, DEPRESSION, ETC.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

*Gayla Spelts*

Address:

*23080 McCurdy Gulch Rd. (PO Box 9553)*

City/State/Zip:

*Rapid City, SD 57702*

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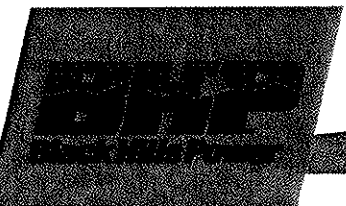
☒ Other *Letter from BHP*

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*Study use you to run adjacent to existing lines + not come over my land.*

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Christine Streich

Address:

23165 Horseman's Ranch Rd.

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD 57702

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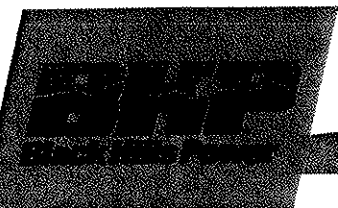
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1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Our location (Coyote Blues Village B&B) attracts tourists & locals because of the great view. With Alternative C, our whole property would be in the corridor and the line (at the clearing of more trees) would disrupt the now undisturbed scenery. This would be a great loss to us - also financially.

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Please provide your current mailing address:

(605) 341-3945

Your Name:

Bill & Kathleen Timberman

Address:

P.O. Box 9303

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD 57709

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☒ Other

Mailing

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

See attached letter

(Please see back)

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**Bill & Kathleen Timberman**  
P.O. Box 9303  
Rapid City, SD 57709  
605.341.3945


Re: Comment #101

Thank-you for this opportunity to express our opinions concerning the proposed routes for the **Teckla-Osage-Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line Project**.

Our property is located at the **Paha Sapa Highlands Subdivision** off Nemo Road where proposed Line A affects. We have three acres that we purchased back in 2006 where we planned on building our dream lodge to share with our family and to pass on to future generations. We purchased land on Nemo Road because of all the hills highways it has the most natural untouched beauty and our family has history dating back to when Rapid City was just a Hay Camp. My Great Grandfather was George Henry Lange, a rancher and landowner that owned property in the Black Hawk area that reached up to the Box Elder Canyon paralleling Nemo Road. Our family had many family picnics on this property near Nemo Road as you can see by the attached picture. This beautiful land was bought by the Lien's. They tore down the historical ranch house and have used it as a gravel source. I don't want this to happen to our beautiful historical Nemo Road. It has a lot of history dating back to the Old Time Rodeos that were held at Nemo and at the Madison Ranch located on scenic Nemo Road. Let's keep our history alive and don't ruin the beautiful legacy that Nemo Road has to offer.

We are very very concerned about the means you will use to acquire any and all right-a-ways and would appreciate some information on this process.

Thanks for letting us comment.

  
**Bill & Kathleen Timberman**

George H. Lange family picnic and George on his horse at the Ranch House near Nemo Road in the 1920's.



# Comment Form

Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Chad Timmer

Address:

12728 Kennedyville Loop

City/State/Zip:

Hill City SD 57745

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We value the views from our property very much. Please do not route this line near our property. Thank You

Property Location: 11524 Melchert Place Hill City SD 57745

Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

~~I did not receive this notice until~~  
I did not receive this notice until  
sept. 17.

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Roger + Donna Urbane

Address:

PO Box 289

City/State/Zip:

Black Hawk SD 57718

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☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

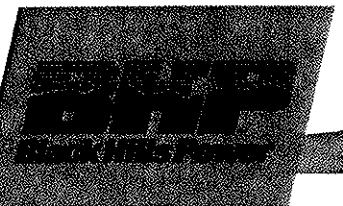
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Our home is on this proposed route (A), we think route B looks like the best route. We feel that our land is impacted enough by other man-made intrusions.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Jim + Ann Van Oren

Address:

22575 No Bogus Jim Rd.

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD 57702

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- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

- ☐ Website  
☒ Other email

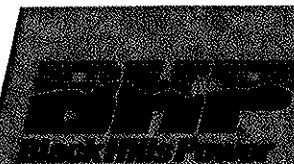
1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Moved into area to avoid high line poles.  
The high voltage lines would not be  
conducive to ranch animals & wildlife.  
Sound of high voltage lines would destroy  
the peace that we have moved & built  
in that area.

Jim + Ann Van Oren

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: Rick + Chris Van Ness

Address: 23180 Hwy 385

City/State/Zip: Rapid City, SD 57702

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☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☐ Project flyer

☒ Other Letter in Mail

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

- \* Minimize Impact on the land + views.
- \* 385 is scenic highway + goal is to minimize sight of power lines
- \* Use existing poles if possible

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**BHP**  
Black Hills Power

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: Al Vogele

Address: 8867 Schroeder Rd.

City/State/Zip: Rapid City, SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

1<sup>st</sup> of All only about 30% of The people get The R.C. Journal  
and 25% or more do not read those Notices. You need to find a  
better way of contacting people.  
I do not like AIT B or AIT C. We do not want Nemo Rd  
cluttered with eye sore electrical poles. We need to  
keep the beauty of the Canyon.  
Why are you talking about a 1 mile Corridor. What do you  
mean??  
only 1 meeting that the public is correctly notified is uncalled  
for. I will be out of town on Sept. 16.  
(over)

Property Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Section 02 Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_  
1 N 06 E Section 02 Schroeder Ranch Lot 2

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**Comment Form – Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line**

2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Your map on the web site is a very poor - Hard to understand the location of the lines even after Enlarging them. We need better land marks.

I will NOT give any easement on my property for the lines. This will devalue my property as well as the health concerns of the electrical power from the lines. No Right of Way will be allowed also.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Robert & Jo Anna Warder

Address:

Box 10

City/State/Zip:

Hill City SD 57743

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Alternate B – legal/descriptive  
Distance from existing transmission line

Property Location:

Legal Description: NW 1/4 Section 28 Township 1 N Range 4 E

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MM/CA  
NOT BY  
Open House

This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

FLORENCE WATSON

Address:

27449 444TH AVE

City/State/Zip:

MARION, S.D. 57043

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Looking at proposed routes, A, B+C on your web site, I see that A is much more direct than either B+C.

I would much prefer you take A or C routes. My property lies just 1/2 mile south of Deerfield Lake, it is very scenic, while a tall power line would not enhance the view of the area. It also might detract in resale property value at some point of resale in the future.

Property Location: 11343 Gillette Prairie Rd.  
Hill City, S.D.

Legal Description: Section 32 Township Range  
IN DBE SEC 32 GOLD RUN PARK LOT 3 (ALSO IN SECS T1S R3E)  
Tax legal description

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**Comment Form – Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line**

2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

I'm not against building the power line but I do not want to see it built in my backyard.

My suggestion is to build either A or C, (not B)

Seems to me a more direct route (A) would be less costly than the other two which are not nearly as direct in the approach to Rapid City.

I received your letter Friday, 10th of Sept. Hope you will get my return in time for Thursday meeting. As you see, I live across the state & cannot attend the mtg. on such short notice.

Thank you for your consideration

Flarence R. Watson, trustee

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Robert Watts

Address:

3850 Marvin Rd

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City SD 57702

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☐ Newspaper advertisement

☒ Project flyer

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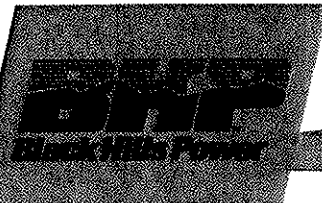
☐ Other Letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Live + own lot TR Marvin Subdivision. Don't want a easement or ROW thru my land or a power line over it. If you need to contact me or update use the phone 605-787-4261 leave message and # to call if no answer.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

RILEY WHITE

Address:

6680 SUN RIDGE RD

City/State/Zip:

RAPID CITY SD 57702

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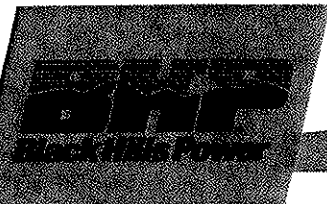
LETTER & NEWSPAPER

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

The Purple Route C on the NE Diagonal  
Portion just skents my property west most  
area. I hope Orange (B) or Blue (A)  
would rather be chosen

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**Rapid City, SD 57709**

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Mark and Pamela Wiley

Address:

3901 Marwin Rd

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City SD 57702

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☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer *by mail*

☒ Other *(Mark Carda & Ron Dahlgren)*

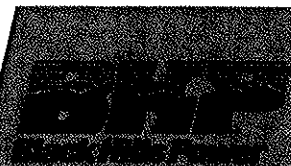
1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

*Please avoid placing the line along our property - do not want in close proximity of our property, and not within 1 mile of our property.*

*Thank you for your consideration!*

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Please provide your current mailing address:

Email  
Sharwils1@rap.mt.co.net

Your Name:

Norm & Sharon Wilson

Address:

7200 Hickory Ln

City/State/Zip:

Black Hawk SD 57718

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- ☐ Website  
☐ Other

mailing

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

1. What will it do to our property values

2. Our view is outstanding - it lowers our value in addition to our enjoyment. we would feel really bad to have power lines & poles down our valley.

3. is it noisy - does it hum

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BHP  
Black Hills Power

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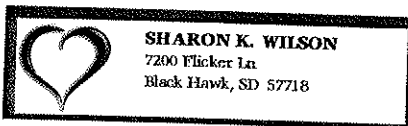


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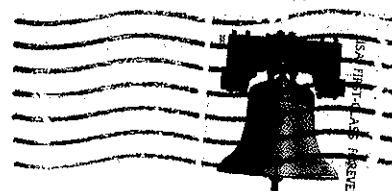
4. If the line is on forest service directly south of our property and within our view, the 125 ft rightway will clear trees and leave a big, treeless, empty area (except for power poles) south of our house.

5. Fire danger - will there be any - especially since it's in middle of a lot of trees

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709





Mark Carda  
Manager, T & D Engineering  
Email: Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com

P.O. Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD, 57709  
P: 605.721.2274  
F: 605.721.2323

September 21, 2010

Mr. Tom Wintersteen  
25821 469<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Sioux Falls, SD 57117

RE: BHP Proposed Transmission Line

As requested I've included a map showing the area west of Hill City. Still pretty difficult to see but it does show sections and some additional detail. Keep in mind the purple area represents just one of the three mile wide corridors. The final line route could fall into any one of the three and take up 100 feet. I've also included material that was available at our open house on September 16.

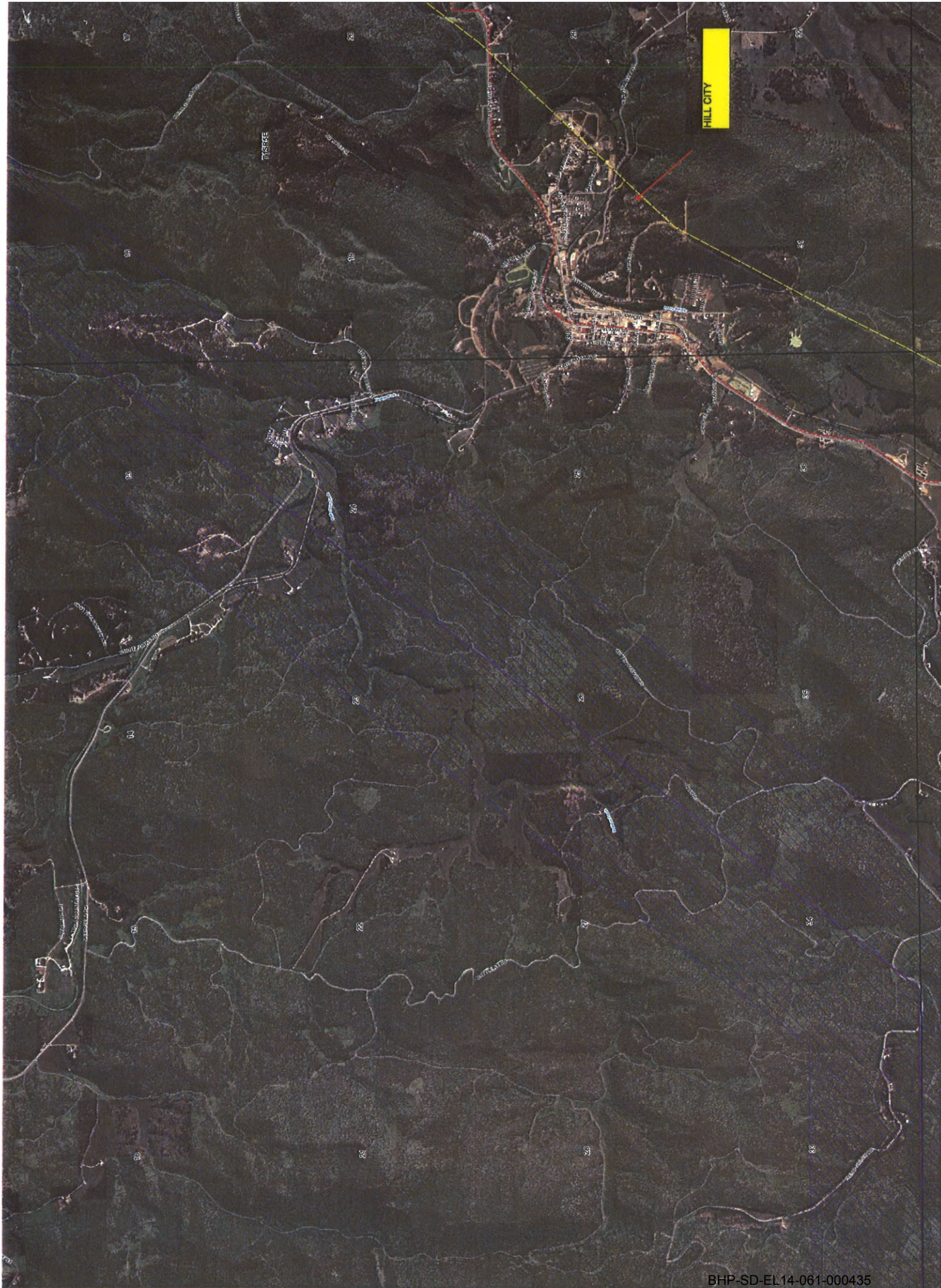
Please contact me if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Mark Carda  
Manager, T & D Engineering

Enclosures







CONTACT # \_\_\_\_\_

RIGHT OF WAY CONTACTS

Owner (s) OR LEE  
TOM WINTER Date \_\_\_\_\_  
STEEN Time \_\_\_\_\_

25821 469TH AVE  
SIOUX FALLS, SD

Telephone # 1-605-929-5041

Type of Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Present \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description  
\_\_\_\_\_  
S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_  
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Comments and Remarks:  
CALLER TO FIND OUT MORE INFO.  
Prop. By Hill Creek 1M WEST OF HILL Creek  
Q MEADE COUNTY  
SOUTH WEST MEADE CO. (NEMO ROAD)





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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Dale Wormstadt

Address:

12777 Black Forest Road

City/State/Zip:

RC, SD. 57702

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☐ Website  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Looks OK to me

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

BRENDA + MARSHALL JOHNSON

Address:

8325 KILBOE ROAD

City/State/Zip:

RAPID CITY SD 57702

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☒ Other DIRECT MAIL

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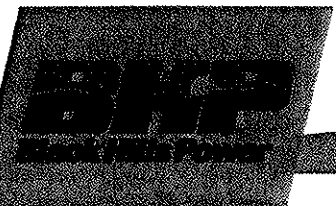
PREFER CORRIDOR A FIRST, CORRIDOR B SECOND AND  
DO NOT WANT CORRIDOR C

We have a cabin in Pactola Basin. We do  
not want a noisy power line near our cabin

*Marshall Johnson*

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Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

Mary + Mark Zimmerman (F.K.A. Mary Wick)

Address:

22435 Jim Creek Lane

City/State/Zip:

Deadwood, SD 57732

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We are in the shaded zone for Alternative A and are very opposed to having this line in our 'backyard'. This area is relatively pristine and rural in character. We don't want this scar. We don't want the devaluation of our property from Alt. A. We don't want the potential for fire that a dropped line could cause.

There are special habitats within the Alt. A zone. We don't want the stress to plant + animal habitat that building this line would cause. We don't want to have to go under this line when we

Property Location: walk to Green Mountain

22435 Jim Creek Lane, Deadwood, SD 57732

Legal Description: ~~T14N R5E~~ Section 11 Township T2N Range R5E

Lawrence Co.

Please do not choose Alt. A!

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Lined area for providing additional comments.

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
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**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Martin, Tracy  
**Sent:** Friday, September 10, 2010 5:52 PM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Contact customer about a letter he recieved in mail

Could you please contact Bradley Allen, Phone # 605-415-8401, he lives in Black Hawk, SD and would like more info on a letter he received in the mail he said your name was on the letter, letter is regarding a transmission line being ran from a substation to rapid city, Thank you.

Tracy Martin  
Black Hills Energy  
Lincoln CSA 1331  
Tracy.Martin@blackhillscorp.com

*I CALLED HIM & LEFT MESSAGE  
BUT HE HAS NOT RETURNED MY CALL*



**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 2:22 PM  
**To:** pippybvd@blackhills.com  
**Subject:** Line route map  
**Attachments:** Pactola - South Detail 1.pdf

Bruce,

Thanks for your interest in our project. I have attached a map that will show you the two routes (B & C) that come nearest to your property south of Pactola. I understand that your home is on the east side of the existing line on route C and you would prefer that, if route C were chosen, the new line would be on the west side of the existing line. We are just in the preliminary part of the line routing process and it will up to a year or longer before selecting the route we will pursue.

Please fill in the comment form that was mailed to you and either E mail it to me or send it to the address on the form in the mail as all of the input we receive will be considered during the route selection process.

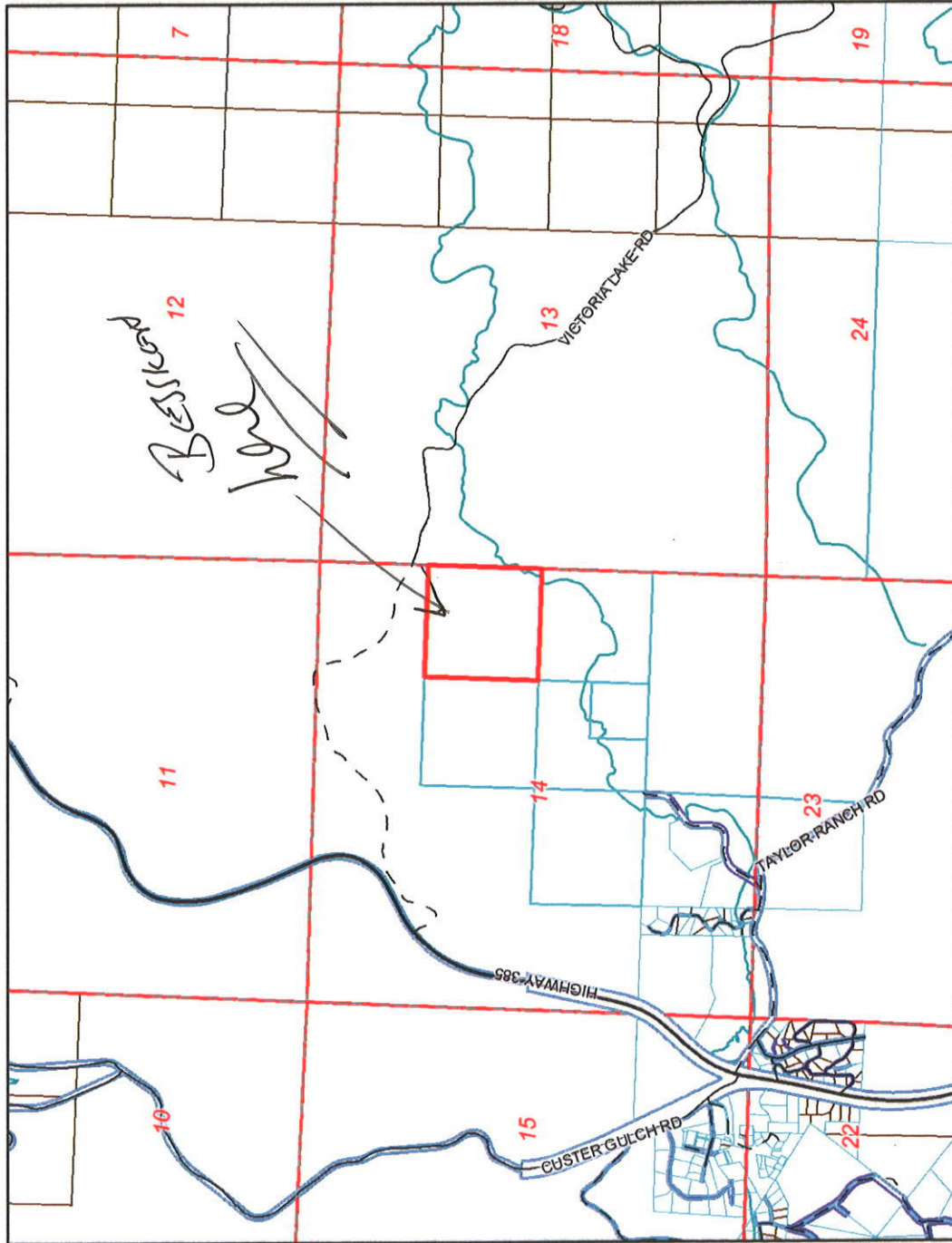
Thanks again and please call me at 721-2220 or E mail me with any questions you may have in the future in this regard.

BRUCE BESSIKEN  
12895 VICTORIA LAKE ROAD  
RAPID CITY, SD.  
605-524-3964

SIDWEL#3514200005

EXISTING 69KV LINES N/S THROUGH HIS PROPERTY &  
DOES NOT WANT NEW LINE ON EAST SIDE OF EXISTING  
LINE.

# Rapid City-Pennington County GIS



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Map center: 44° 2' 53" N, 103° 28' 38" W

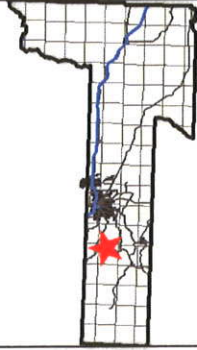
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**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 9:07 AM  
**To:** pitts@brookings.net  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** BHP proposed transmission line  
**Attachments:** Pactola - North Detail 1.pdf; 3685\_001.pdf

Carol,

I have attached a map of the Rochford area showing the alternate route that is on the north edge of Rochford. If this map does not cover the area you are interested in, please let me know where your property is from there and I will get it to you. We had a good turnout at our meeting last week and I have also attached a copy of the information packet we handed out at the meeting.

Thanks for your interest and please contact me with any questions or comments you may have in the future. I would encourage you to send the comment form in with your comments once you have had a chance to look at the map and review the information provided.



**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Paulus, Sheila  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 14, 2010 7:49 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Please call Laurie chamberlin cell 952-237-6543

Regarding property 1080 sunny load # 1 section 24 township 1 s range 4 e Chamberlin, laurie.

Wants to discuss transmission lines that could affect the property – He is living in Minneapolis and will not be able to attend the meeting at Dahl Fine Art.

Thanks  
Sheila

WENT TO TECH - PROPERTY NEAR HILL CITY -  
VIEW OF HARVEY PEAK -  
IS BUILDING RETIREMENT HOME  
WILL STOP IN NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS

9/14/2010

BHP-SD-EL14-061-000450



**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 9:00 AM  
**To:** bcbbi@gwtc.net  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** FW: Rochford area map  
**Attachments:** Pactola - North Detail 1.pdf

Charlotte,

Attached is a map showing the alternate route for our proposed line that goes through north of Rochford. The mile wide area has Rochford on the south edge and, if this route we pursue, we will do all we can to make it compatible with the area and landowners. As stated in our open house, it will be some time before we get to a point where we have our options narrowed down to one or a combination of the alternate routes. If you have any questions or are interested in the status of this project, please contact myself or Mark Carda, our project manager. I believe you have his E mail address as well.

Thanks again for your interest and input to this process.

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Friday, September 17, 2010 11:12 AM  
**To:** bcbbi@gwtc.net  
**Subject:** Rochford area map

Charlotte,

I will have an expanded Rochford area map showing the power line route alternate that is in that area early next week and will send it to you when I get it. We had a couple of areas where there were quite a few landowners that we are getting expanded maps for.

Thanks for attending our meeting





**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Fischer/Sivage [bcbbi@gwtc.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 10:38 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Re: Rochford area map

Thank you for the expanded view of Rochford, Melchert Place, Black Fox Road, Silver Creek, White Tail Peak, Merry Go Round Loop, Rochford Cemetery, Deerfield Road, etc.. We are very appreciative for your attention to our concerns and interest in BHP's siting of the 230KV line.

Charlotte Fischer  
Bonnie Sivage  
22634 N. Rochford Rd.  
Hill City SD 57745  
605-584-3125  
Or  
21039 US HIGHWAY 14/63  
MIDLAND SD 57552  
605-567-3661



09/15/10  
09:30

BRUCE JORDAN - HILL CITY

BH Co-op - TRAIL PROPERTY ALREADY -

IS 1.2 MI. N/W HILL CITY

HAS 5+ ACRES AND HOME  
WILL BE OUT OF TOWN FOR MEETING  
WILL SEND IN COMMENT FORM





## Dahlinger, Ron

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Monday, September 27, 2010 11:01 AM  
**To:** [jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com)  
**Subject:** RE: Wyoming Transmission Route

The outside lines are the edge of the 1 mile corridor and, if that corridor is chosen for the route to be used, the line would be located somewhere within that corridor that would be the best location taking into consideration existing private property, etc. The center line is not necessarily the actual route the line would take.

Thanks

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**From:** [jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com) [<mailto:jojurgens@aol.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 27, 2010 10:42 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Re: Wyoming Transmission Route

Yes, thanks Ron. It was difficult to tell what's what in that Route C has 3 purple lines with hash marks between them. Is that the full width, and will the actual transmission line be along the center purple line?  
Thanks for your help.  
JoAnn

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Dahlinger, Ron <[Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com)>  
**To:** [jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com) <[jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com)>  
**Sent:** Mon, Sep 27, 2010 7:28 am  
**Subject:** RE: Wyoming Transmission Route

I sent you another map on Wednesday last week. Did you get that E mail? I will send again this morning.

Thanks

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**From:** [jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com) [<mailto:jojurgens@aol.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 24, 2010 7:21 PM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Re: Wyoming Transmission Route

Hi Ron,  
We live across the street from the store at Johnson Siding, on Rimrock Highway 44 between 385 and Rapid City./  
Thanks,  
JoAnn

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Dahlinger, Ron <[Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com)>  
**To:** [jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com) <[jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com)>  
**Sent:** Wed, Sep 22, 2010 1:07 pm  
**Subject:** RE: Wyoming Transmission Route

OK

I gave you the wrong map evidently. Could you give me a description of where you live and I will get you the correct map. We have several maps with some good detail if we can narrow down your location.

Thanks

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**From:** jojurgens@aol.com [mailto:jojurgens@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 22, 2010 12:39 PM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Re: Wyoming Transmission Route

Hi Ron,  
Thanks for the map, but it does not show any roads (or names of roads), and it cuts off before Rapid City.  
Could you send me your phone number so I could find out where it's going?  
Could you email me whether one of the routes comes down Hwy 44 from 385 down to Rapid? That's all I really want to know, whether it comes down our road or near us.  
Thank you very much,  
JoAnn Jurgens

-----Original Message-----  
From: Dahlinger, Ron <Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com>  
To: jojurgens@aol.com <jojurgens@aol.com>  
Sent: Wed, Sep 22, 2010 8:05 am  
Subject: RE: Wyoming Transmission Route

Gary and JoAnn.

Hope this map makes it there. This is as small as we could make it:

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**From:** jojurgens@aol.com [mailto:jojurgens@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 21, 2010 11:43 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Wyoming Transmission Route

Hello Ron,  
We received your letter regarding the 3 proposed routes to deliver power to Rapid City. Unfortunately, we didn't receive the notice in time and we missed the meeting.

We have tried to find the info on your website, but it won't download the maps.  
Is there a way you could email them to me? When will the route be chosen?

Are any of the routes going to use Hwy 44, where we live? We can't tell from the map on your letter and the written routes do not say.  
Thank you for any help.

Gary and JoAnn Jurgens

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**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 11:58 AM  
**To:** rldmk@hughes.net  
**Subject:** Line route Map  
**Attachments:** Pactola - North Detail 2.pdf

Roger,

Glad to have met you and thanks for stopping in. If you would when you have time, please send in your comment form that was mailed to you. You can also just scan it and send it via E mail if you would like. Please call me at 605-721-2220 or E mail me if I can be of further help.

Thanks again

ROGER KEHM  
2610 SOUTH HAWTHORNE, SIOUX FALLS, SD 57105  
SIOUX FALLS PHONE: 605-338-0234  
~~DAI~~ LOCAL PHONE: 605-388-0234  
HIS PROPERTY IS ABOUT 3/4 MILE WEST OF HWY 385  
& JUST SOUTH OF ROCKFOLD ROAD.



**Dahlinger, Ron**

**From:** Nichols, Marsha  
**Sent:** Monday, September 13, 2010 8:11 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Customer Call-back  
**Importance:** High

Please call Mavis Madison at 342-6997 regarding letter they received regarding the line build from Wyoming.  
 Thank you,

09/13/2010 - 08:30

Marsha Nichols  
 Customer Service  
 Black Hills Power  
 605-722-2421

Nemo Road across from Dory Fire Dept.  
 CALL HER WEEK OF 09/20 TO SET TIME  
 TO MEET AS SHE IS OUT OF TOWN ON  
 THURSDAY. (TUESDAY, 09/21, SHE IS BUSY)

NOTE: SHE INDICATED THAT HER PROPERTY IS ON THE STATE  
 HISTORIC REGISTER.

MAVIS STOPPED IN ON TUESDAY, SEPT. 21ST @ 09:30  
 SHE IS OPPOSED TO ANY OF THE NEW LINE GOING  
 ACROSS HER PROPERTY & SAID WOULD FIGHT IN COURT.  
 THE LAND HAS BEEN IN HER FAMILY FOR 6  
 GENERATIONS. SHE IS IN FAVOR OF ROUTE A (NORTH)  
 AS BOTH OTHER ROUTES AFFECT HER PROPERTY.  
 SHE WAS GIVEN PACKET OF INFORMATION THAT WAS  
 HANDED OUT AT THE MEETING LAST WEEK AND WAS  
 ASKED TO PLEASE FILL OUT THE COMMENT FORM  
 AND SEND IN.





## Dahlinger, Ron

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 10:49 AM  
**To:** 'booshae@aol.com'  
**Subject:** RE: Power line  
**Attachments:** Hill\_City\_Detail\_1[2].pdf

Virgil,

I attached a pdf showing the south route alternative corridor for our power line project that is to the west of your property. The corridor shown is 1 mile wide. This should give you the information you were looking for.

Thanks for your inquiry and please let me know if there are any more questions in this regard.

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**From:** booshae@aol.com [mailto:booshae@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 10:13 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Re: Power line

Ron this is a map of our property. Tell us what you can about the route locations relevant to us, please. Thanks  
Virgil Nice

-----Original Message-----

From: Dahlinger, Ron <Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com>  
To: booshae@aol.com <booshae@aol.com>  
Sent: Thu, Sep 16, 2010 2:54 pm  
Subject: RE: Power line

The middle route is about 5 miles north of Hill City and where the southern route is nearest to Hill City is about two miles north of Hill City. We are working with the Forest Service and will need to go through an EIS (environmental Impact Statement) process with them to help determine the final route to be taken. We will also take into consideration developments and private property to attempt to keep the impact to those areas at a minimum.

Thanks for your note and if you get more detail as to where this property is, I would be able to possibly send you a map with detail showing the corridor option nearest that property.

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**From:** booshae@aol.com [mailto:booshae@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 16, 2010 1:46 PM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Re: Power line

Thanks for responding so quick, Ron. The only thing I have is (Little Tiger Lode North of Lot A of Little Tiger and Little Tiger No. 1 Lodes M. S. 1251 Pennington Co. Hill City). I wasn't able to download the Larger more detailed map. Its kind of hard to tell. But it looks to me, the northern most route( Alt A)., would be acceptable  
Thanks, Virgil Nice

-----Original Message-----

From: Dahlinger, Ron <Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com>

To: booshae@aol.com <booshae@aol.com>

Sent: Thu, Sep 16, 2010 2:12 pm

Subject: RE: Power line

Virgil,

I do not know where the Little Tiger Development is. Can you give me some more information or a legal description containing the township, range and section?

Thanks

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**From:** booshae@aol.com [mailto:booshae@aol.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, September 16, 2010 11:32 AM

**To:** Dahlinger, Ron

**Subject:** Power line

Good afternoon Ron,

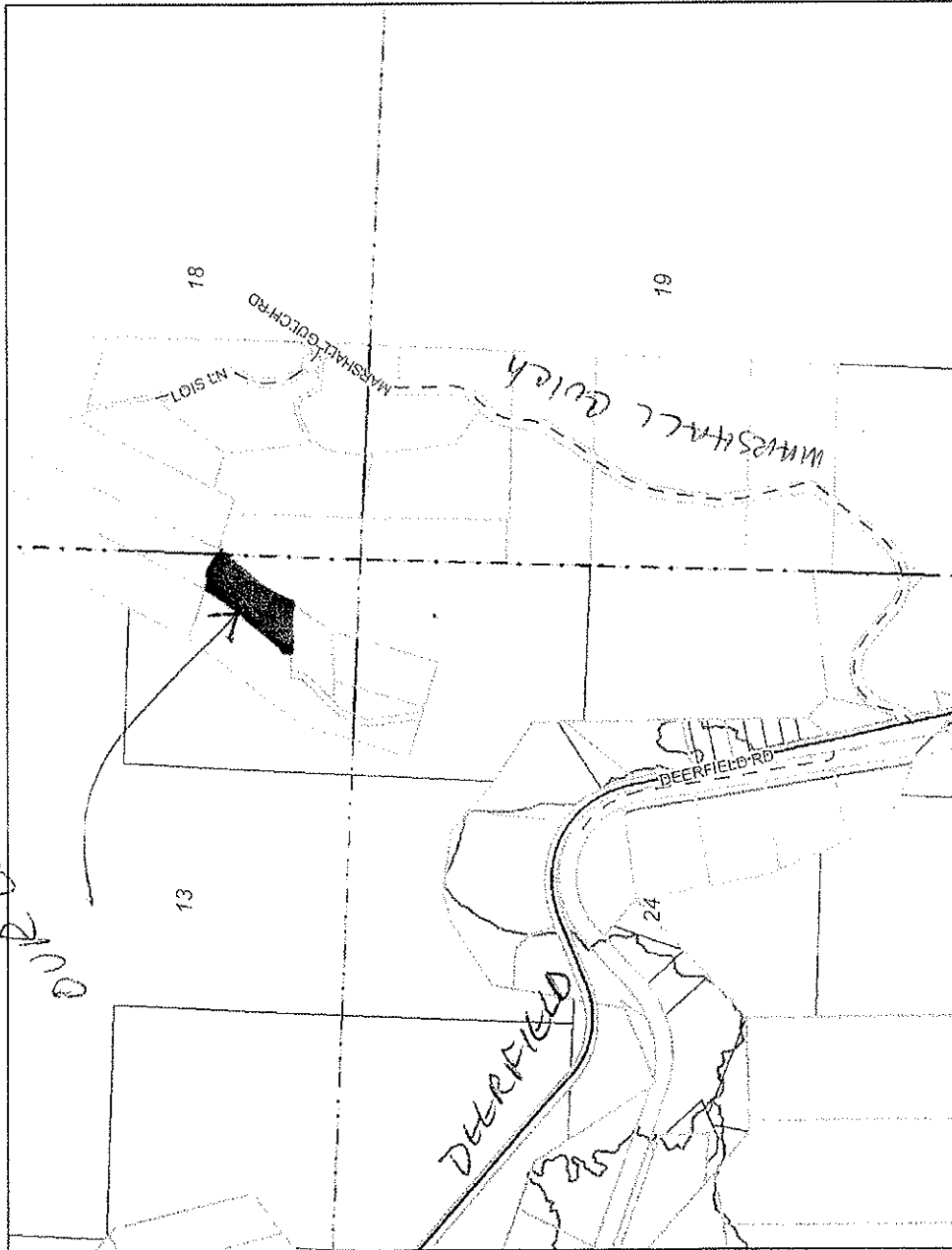
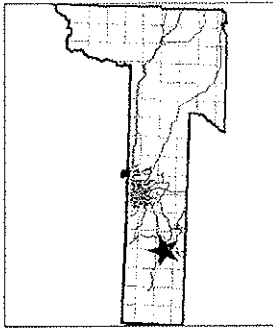
I just received an e-mail from my real estate agent, Jim Peterson. It looks like you are proposing a power line within one mile of the property we are in the process of buying. This property is in the Little Tiger development. The reason we are buying this property is because it has an excellent view. I have no maps to look at, so I can't give a good judgement now. Does this line run to the north of us? Thanks, Virgil Nice

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Map center: 43° 57' 13" N, 103° 34' 46" W

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CAROL PITTS

PITTS@BROOKINGS.NET

1018 5TH ST, BROOKINGS) - 57006 (NOT 725 4TH ST.)

605-695-5770

NEAR ROCKFORD -

SEND HER A SPG W/THE ROCKFORD AREA -





**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Monday, September 20, 2010 11:42 AM  
**To:** 'Rickerts, John'  
**Subject:** RE: New Power Line Issue

I will include your E mail with the other comments we received at the meeting. I would encourage the other landowners to submit their comment forms if they would.

Thanks

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**From:** Rickerts, John [mailto:John.Rickerts@harley-davidson.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 20, 2010 11:37 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** RE: New Power Line Issue

Mr. Dahlinger, Thank-You for the reply and the related information. Should I and the other land owners still submit the "Comment Form" that came with our letters of Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>?

John Rickerts – Service Parts

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron [mailto:Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 17, 2010 5:50 PM  
**To:** Rickerts, John  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** RE: New Power Line Issue

Thank you, John for your comments. We had a good turnout at our meeting last night and got some good input from landowners regarding our project.

We did not do a presentation at our meeting last night but worked with landowners to show them where their property was relative to the three alternative routes and I have attached the handout information we gave to attendees to this E mail. The project information meetings we have had are just the first step in the line routing process and the Forest Service will also be having meetings in the future as most of these routes are largely on Forest Service Property. The Forest Service EIS (environmental impact statement) process is expected to take about two years and we have just started working with them in this route selection process. At this point, when the decision is made as to which route would be the best route taking into consideration private property owners and the issues in the Forest including sensitive species, cultural sites, etc. could take up to two years or more.

We will document your comments and include them with the comments we have received at our meeting. Please contact me in the future if you have more questions or concerns or want to check on the status of this project. The other contact person in my office is Mark Carda, who is the project manager and his E mail address is [mark.carda@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:mark.carda@blackhillscorp.com).

Thanks again

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**From:** Rickerts, John [mailto:John.Rickerts@harley-davidson.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 16, 2010 4:46 PM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Cc:** 'rec\_2@charter.net'

**Subject:** New Power Line Issue  
**Importance:** High

Ron Dahlinger,

My name is John Rickerts and I am the owner of Lot #4 in the Wheel Inn Acre subdivision along Highway 385. I have also been in contact with Roger Harmon who is the owner of Lot #3 in the same subdivision. We are both absentee owners of these properties as is the owner of Lot #5 a Mr. Tom Gilten whose son Dan has already begun building their retirement home on that lot. Having just received your letter of Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> this past Monday Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> explaining that there will be a meeting TONIGHT there in Rapid City to show the interested parties what the implications are of this new high power line, none of us are able to attend that meeting tonight. We would all have to travel a long way to get there for this open house and with this short of notice that is not manageable.

What I can tell you on behalf of Mr. Harmon and myself is that we are adamantly AGAINST Alt. B & C and would only find Alt. A acceptable in our circumstance and location. We have bought this property for the pristine environment the Horse Creek area offers to us for our retirement years along with the fact that we all would and are building new homes in this area that would be compromised with this kind of high power running almost directly over our heads. You represent the Power Company and I am sure are aware of the extremely poor health & living conditions this would create for us and any other living animal life that would be directly affected by this kind of line running this close to the existing and future homes. All of us bought this property several years ago without any knowledge of anything of this type being possible since this area sits within the Black Hills National Forest where we assumed that this kind of "commercial" project would not even be possible.

In looking at these 3 routes via a satellite map all 9 of the new property owners including the new owner of the Horse Creek Inn, Mr. Mark Ruddeforth would be adversely affected due to the proposed location of Alt. C and so far Mr. Harmon and I are both AGAINST Alt. B as well as I am sure the other new property owners would be once they realize just where Alt. B or C places this power line in relation to their properties and future homes.

Since I/we will not be able to attend this evenings Open House around this topic I am requesting you send me a copy of any and all presentation materials from this evenings meeting. I am not sure how "Eminent Domain" comes in to play here but once I have retained legal representation I will be pursuing whatever course necessary to officially protest the possibility of Alt. B & C.

Thank you for your time and consideration and I will look forward to your reply and the related materials from this evenings Open House for our further review.

Respectfully,

John & Kathy Rickerts  
 Property owners of Lot #4 in the Wheel In Acres subdivision  
 S54W23920 Woodmere Trace  
 Waukesha, WI. 53189  
 WK# - 414-343-4546  
 Home # - 262-650-0263

Roger Harmon  
 Owner of Lot #3  
 North Platte NE.  
 WK# - 308-534-0070  
 Cell# - 308-530-1189

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**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Nichols, Marsha  
**Sent:** Monday, September 13, 2010 9:56 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Customer Call-Back  
**Importance:** High

Glenda Robertson at 584-1775  
Regarding meeting this Thursday for Wyoming line build.  
Thank you,

Marsha Nichols  
Customer Service  
Black Hills Power  
605-722-2421

11516 MELCHER  
2 1/2 W/O ROCKFORD

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WILL BE AT MEETING - NEIGHBORS DID NOT GET  
LETTER?



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John Rickerts – Service Parts

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron [mailto:Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 17, 2010 5:50 PM  
**To:** Rickerts, John  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** RE: New Power Line Issue

Thank you, John for your comments. We had a good turnout at our meeting last night and got some good input from landowners regarding our project.

We did not do a presentation at our meeting last night but worked with landowners to show them where their property was relative to the three alternative routes and I have attached the handout information we gave to attendees to this E mail. The project information meetings we have had are just the first step in the line routing process and the Forest Service will also be having meetings in the future as most of these routes are largely on Forest Service Property. The Forest Service EIS (environmental impact statement) process is expected to take about two years and we have just started working with them in this route selection process. At this point, when the decision is made as to which route would be the best route taking into consideration private property owners and the issues in the Forest including sensitive species, cultural sites, etc. could take up to two years or more.

We will document your comments and include them with the comments we have received at our meeting. Please contact me in the future if you have more questions or concerns or want to check on the status of this project. The other contact person in my office is Mark Carda, who is the project manager and his E mail address is [mark.carda@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:mark.carda@blackhillscorp.com).

Thanks again

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**From:** Rickerts, John [mailto:John.Rickerts@harley-davidson.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 16, 2010 4:46 PM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Cc:** 'rec\_2@charter.net'

**Subject:** New Power Line Issue  
**Importance:** High

Ron Dahlinger,

My name is John Rickerts and I am the owner of Lot #4 in the Wheel Inn Acre subdivision along Highway 385. I have also been in contact with Roger Harmon who is the owner of Lot #3 in the same subdivision. We are both absentee owners of these properties as is the owner of Lot #5 a Mr. Tom Gilten whose son Dan has already begun building their retirement home on that lot. Having just received your letter of Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> this past Monday Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> explaining that there will be a meeting TONIGHT there in Rapid City to show the interested parties what the implications are of this new high power line, none of us are able to attend that meeting tonight. We would all have to travel a long way to get there for this open house and with this short of notice that is not manageable.

What I can tell you on behalf of Mr. Harmon and myself is that we are adamantly AGAINST Alt. B & C and would only find Alt. A acceptable in our circumstance and location. We have bought this property for the pristine environment the Horse Creek area offers to us for our retirement years along with the fact that we all would and are building new homes in this area that would be compromised with this kind of high power running almost directly over our heads. You represent the Power Company and I am sure are aware of the extremely poor health & living conditions this would create for us and any other living animal life that would be directly affected by this kind of line running this close to the existing and future homes. All of us bought this property several years ago without any knowledge of anything of this type being possible since this area sits within the Black Hills National Forest where we assumed that this kind of "commercial" project would not even be possible.

In looking at these 3 routes via a satellite map all 9 of the new property owners including the new owner of the Horse Creek Inn, Mr. Mark Ruddeforth would be adversely affected due to the proposed location of Alt. C and so far Mr. Harmon and I are both AGAINST Alt. B as well as I am sure the other new property owners would be once they realize just where Alt. B or C places this power line in relation to their properties and future homes.

Since I/we will not be able to attend this evenings Open House around this topic I am requesting you send me a copy of any and all presentation materials from this evenings meeting. I am not sure how "Eminent Domain" comes in to play here but once I have retained legal representation I will be pursuing whatever course necessary to officially protest the possibility of Alt. B & C.

Thank you for your time and consideration and I will look forward to your reply and the related materials from this evenings Open House for our further review.

Respectfully,

John & Kathy Rickerts  
 Property owners of Lot #4 in the Wheel In Acres subdivision  
 S54W23920 Woodmere Trace  
 Waukesha, WI. 53189  
 WK# - 414-343-4546  
 Home # - 262-650-0263

Roger Harmon  
 Owner of Lot #3  
 North Platte NE.  
 WK# - 308-534-0070  
 Cell# - 308-530-1189

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## Dahlinger, Ron

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Monday, September 27, 2010 11:01 AM  
**To:** [jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com)  
**Subject:** RE: Wyoming Transmission Route

The outside lines are the edge of the 1 mile corridor and, if that corridor is chosen for the route to be used, the line would be located somewhere within that corridor that would be the best location taking into consideration existing private property, etc. The center line is not necessarily the actual route the line would take.

Thanks

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**From:** [jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com) [<mailto:jojurgens@aol.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 27, 2010 10:42 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Re: Wyoming Transmission Route

Yes, thanks Ron. It was difficult to tell what's what in that Route C has 3 purple lines with hash marks between them. Is that the full width, and will the actual transmission line be along the center purple line?  
Thanks for your help.  
JoAnn

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Dahlinger, Ron <[Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com)>  
**To:** [jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com) <[jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com)>  
**Sent:** Mon, Sep 27, 2010 7:28 am  
**Subject:** RE: Wyoming Transmission Route

I sent you another map on Wednesday last week. Did you get that E mail? I will send again this morning.

Thanks

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**From:** [jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com) [<mailto:jojurgens@aol.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 24, 2010 7:21 PM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Re: Wyoming Transmission Route

Hi Ron,  
We live across the street from the store at Johnson Siding, on Rimrock Highway 44 between 385 and Rapid City./  
Thanks,  
JoAnn

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Dahlinger, Ron <[Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com)>  
**To:** [jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com) <[jojurgens@aol.com](mailto:jojurgens@aol.com)>  
**Sent:** Wed, Sep 22, 2010 1:07 pm  
**Subject:** RE: Wyoming Transmission Route

OK

I gave you the wrong map evidently. Could you give me a description of where you live and I will get you the correct map. We have several maps with some good detail if we can narrow down your location.

Thanks

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**From:** jojurgens@aol.com [mailto:jojurgens@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 22, 2010 12:39 PM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Re: Wyoming Transmission Route

Hi Ron,  
Thanks for the map, but it does not show any roads (or names of roads), and it cuts off before Rapid City.  
Could you send me your phone number so I could find out where it's going?  
Could you email me whether one of the routes comes down Hwy 44 from 385 down to Rapid? That's all I really want to know, whether it comes down our road or near us.  
Thank you very much,  
JoAnn Jurgens

-----Original Message-----  
From: Dahlinger, Ron <Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com>  
To: jojurgens@aol.com <jojurgens@aol.com>  
Sent: Wed, Sep 22, 2010 8:05 am  
Subject: RE: Wyoming Transmission Route

Gary and JoAnn.

Hope this map makes it there. This is as small as we could make it:

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**From:** jojurgens@aol.com [mailto:jojurgens@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 21, 2010 11:43 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Wyoming Transmission Route

Hello Ron,  
We received your letter regarding the 3 proposed routes to deliver power to Rapid City. Unfortunately, we didn't receive the notice in time and we missed the meeting.

We have tried to find the info on your website, but it won't download the maps.  
Is there a way you could email them to me? When will the route be chosen?

Are any of the routes going to use Hwy 44, where we live? We can't tell from the map on your letter and the written routes do not say.  
Thank you for any help.

Gary and JoAnn Jurgens

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**Dahlinger, Ron**

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*MAP #410  
Route A -  
Black Hills*

**From:** Richard Schliesing [patriot66@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 18, 2010 11:11 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron; hjbranch@q.com  
**Subject:** RE: Map of transmission routes  
**Attachments:** Blackhillspower.doc; BHprop2.doc

Ron,

As you know, we live in Eagan Minnesota and were not able to attend the meeting on the 16th. We have attached a filled out "Comment Form" sent out by Mark Carda. Please consider our reply in lieu of sending this via US mail as our comments and concerns and please consider them when making a final decision relative to this project.

If you need to call me I can be reached at:

Home 651-688-7147  
Cell 612-850-4357

Thank you again for your help.

Sincerely,

Rick Schliesing

From: Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com  
To: Patriot66@msn.com  
Date: Wed, 15 Sep 2010 09:45:21 -0600  
Subject: Map of transmission routes

Rick,

I have attached a JPEG of the transmission routes proposed for our new line that should cover the area you have property in. Once you have found on the map, give me a call at 605-721-2220 and we can discuss.

Thanks

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**COMMENT FORM**  
**Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line**

This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Richard W. Schliesing

Address:

3872 Denmark Avenue

City/State/Zip: Eagan, Minnesota 55123

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We purchased this property as a retirement residence because of the clean pristine views and wonderful natural scenery that it offered. There is nothing between it and Harney Peak some 30 miles away and we would not like to see 65'-75' towers destroy that view in addition to the electricity that would be emitted by such high voltage lines. We would be in hopes that a route that was less populated could be found. We are not the only property owners within "Stagebarn Addition" that share this view and it would be our hope that this would be taken into consideration when making the final decision of the final corridor that will be used. In addition, we are aware that there are existing power line corridors in existence and are wondering why these corridors cannot be used for this project.

Legal descript. \_\_\_\_\_ Section 10 Township 2 Range 6  
Canyon Place Sub lot 5 Block 1

*(Please see back)*

*Improving life with energy*

2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

As we stated earlier, it would be our hope that a route could be found that would not impact our natural views of the Black Hills and also the surrounding wildlife. Should this not be possible we would expect monetary reimbursement for the loss of value that this project would cause. It would only be, in our view, fair that this occur. The problem with this is establishing a value on such beauty and it is our view that this property is priceless. The area that you are looking to build this line is too valuable and pristine for such an project. We have looked at the map and would suggest the line be brought in from south of Custer rather than through the recommended routes presently being considered or at least utilize the existing high power corridors already in existence. It took us years to find and pay for our land and to have this taken away for us over this decision would be devastating.

Please return any comments you may have on this form to the address below if you are unable to attend the meeting on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

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**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering]  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

Dahlinger, Ron

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 15, 2010 9:45 AM  
**To:** Patriot66@msn.com  
**Subject:** Map of transmission routes  
**Attachments:** Pactola\_to\_Lange\_Detail\_1[1].pdf

Rick, *SHLIESING*

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Thanks

*CANYON PLACE SUBDIVISION, LOT 5, BLOCK 1 OFF END  
OF PINWOOD COURT (20 ACRES)*

*9/15/10 VISITED WITH HIM & HE WILL SEND IN COMMENT FORM.  
HIS LAND IS ON NORTH EDGE OF NORTH CORRIDOR IN  
MEADE COUNTY. HE LIVES IN MINNEAPOLIS.*



**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Martin, Tracy  
**Sent:** Friday, September 10, 2010 5:52 PM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Contact customer about a letter he recieved in mail

Could you please contact Bradley Allen, Phone # 605-415-8401, he lives in Black Hawk, SD and would like more info on a letter he received in the mail he said your name was on the letter, letter is regarding a transmission line being ran from a substation to rapid city, Thank you.

Tracy Martin  
Black Hills Energy  
Lincoln CSA 1331  
Tracy.Martin@blackhillscorp.com

*I CALLED HIM & LEFT MESSAGE  
BUT HE HAS NOT RETURNED MY CALL*



**Dahlinger, Ron**

**From:** Nichols, Marsha  
**Sent:** Monday, September 13, 2010 8:11 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Customer Call-back  
**Importance:** High

Please call Mavis Madison at 342-6997 regarding letter they received regarding the line build from Wyoming.  
 Thank you,

09/13/2010 - 08:30

Marsha Nichols  
 Customer Service  
 Black Hills Power  
 605-722-2421

Nemo Road across from Dory Fire Dept.  
 CALL HER WEEK OF 09/20 TO SET TIME  
 TO MEET AS SHE IS OUT OF TOWN ON  
 THURSDAY. (TUESDAY, 09/21, SHE IS BUSY)

NOTE: SHE INDICATED THAT HER PROPERTY IS ON THE STATE  
 HISTORIC REGISTER.

MAVIS STOPPED IN ON TUESDAY, SEPT. 21ST @ 09:30  
 SHE IS OPPOSED TO ANY OF THE NEW LINE GOING  
 ACROSS HER PROPERTY & SAID WOULD FIGHT IN COURT.  
 THE LAND HAS BEEN IN HER FAMILY FOR 6  
 GENERATIONS. SHE IS IN FAVOR OF ROUTE A (NORTH)  
 AS BOTH OTHER ROUTES AFFECT HER PROPERTY.  
 SHE WAS GIVEN PACKET OF INFORMATION THAT WAS  
 HANDLED OUT AT THE MEETING LAST WEEK AND WAS  
 ASKED TO PLEASE FILL OUT THE COMMENT FORM  
 AND SEND IN.



**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 16, 2010 1:55 PM  
**To:** booshae@aol.com  
**Subject:** RE: Power line

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**Subject:** Re: Power line

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**To:** booshae@aol.com <booshae@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Thu, Sep 16, 2010 2:12 pm  
**Subject:** RE: Power line

Virgil,

I do not know where the Little Tiger Development is. Can you give me some more information or a legal description containing the township, range and section?

Thanks

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**From:** booshae@aol.com [mailto:booshae@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 16, 2010 11:32 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Power line

Good afternoon Ron,  
 I just received an e-mail from my real estate agent, Jim Peterson. It looks like you are proposing a power line within one mile of the property we are in the process of buying. This property is in the Little Tiger development. The reason we are buying this property is because it has an excellent view. I have no maps to look at, so I can't give a good judgement now. Does this line run to the north of us? Thanks, Virgil Nice

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**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Paulus, Sheila  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 14, 2010 7:49 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Please call Laurie chamberlin cell 952-237-6543

Regarding property 1080 sunny load # 1 section 24 township 1 s range 4 e Chamberlin, laurie.

Wants to discuss transmission lines that could affect the property – He is living in Minneapolis and will not be able to attend the meeting at Dahl Fine Art.

Thanks  
Sheila

WENT TO TECH - PROPERTY NEAR HILL CITY -  
VIEW OF HARVEY PEAK -  
IS BUILDING RETIREMENT HOME  
WILL STOP IN NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS

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**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**Sent:** Monday, September 13, 2010 9:56 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Subject:** Customer Call-Back  
**Importance:** High

Glenda Robertson at 584-1775  
Regarding meeting this Thursday for Wyoming line build.  
Thank you,

Marsha Nichols  
Customer Service  
Black Hills Power  
605-722-2421

*11516 MELCREE  
2 1/2 W/O ROCKFORD*

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*WILL BE AT MEETING - NEIGHBORS DID NOT GET  
LETTER?*



09/15/10  
09:30

BRUCE JORDAN - HILL CITY

BH Co-op - TRAIL PROPERTY ALREADY -

IS 1.2 MI. N/W HILL CITY

HAS 5+ ACRES AND HOME  
WILL BE OUT OF TOWN FOR MEETING  
WILL SEND IN COMMENT FORM





CAROL PITTS

PITTS@BROOKINGS.NET

1018 5TH ST, BROOKINGS) - 57006 (NOT 725 4TH ST.)

605-695-5770

NEAR ROCKFORD -

SEND HER A SPG W/THE ROCKFORD AREA -



**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 2:22 PM  
**To:** pippybvd@blackhills.com  
**Subject:** Line route map  
**Attachments:** Pactola - South Detail 1.pdf

Bruce,

Thanks for your interest in our project. I have attached a map that will show you the two routes (B & C) that come nearest to your property south of Pactola. I understand that your home is on the east side of the existing line on route C and you would prefer that, if route C were chosen, the new line would be on the west side of the existing line. We are just in the preliminary part of the line routing process and it will up to a year or longer before selecting the route we will pursue.

Please fill in the comment form that was mailed to you and either E mail it to me or send it to the address on the form in the mail as all of the input we receive will be considered during the route selection process.

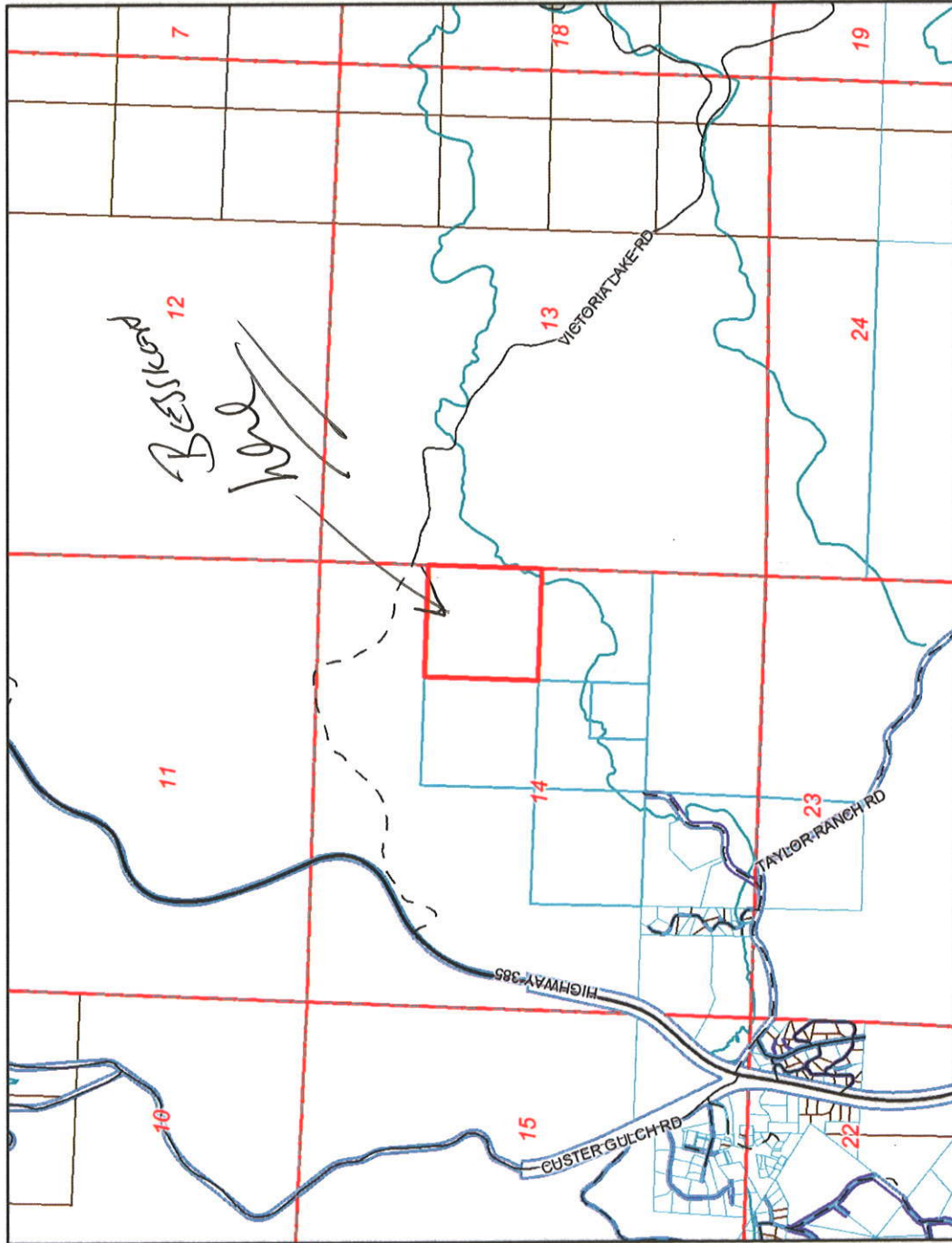
Thanks again and please call me at 721-2220 or E mail me with any questions you may have in the future in this regard.

BRUCE BESSIKEN  
12895 VICTORIA LAKE ROAD  
RAPID CITY, SD.  
605-574-3964

SIDWEL#3514200005

EXISTING 69KV LINES N/S THROUGH HIS PROPERTY &  
DOES NOT WANT NEW LINE ON EAST SIDE OF EXISTING  
LINE.

# Rapid City-Pennington County GIS



0 2250 4500 6750 ft.

Map center: 44° 2' 53" N, 103° 28' 38" W

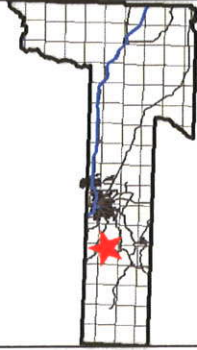
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## Dahlinger, Ron

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 10:49 AM  
**To:** 'booshae@aol.com'  
**Subject:** RE: Power line  
**Attachments:** Hill\_City\_Detail\_1[2].pdf

Virgil,

I attached a pdf showing the south route alternative corridor for our power line project that is to the west of your property. The corridor shown is 1 mile wide. This should give you the information you were looking for.

Thanks for your inquiry and please let me know if there are any more questions in this regard.

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Virgil Nice

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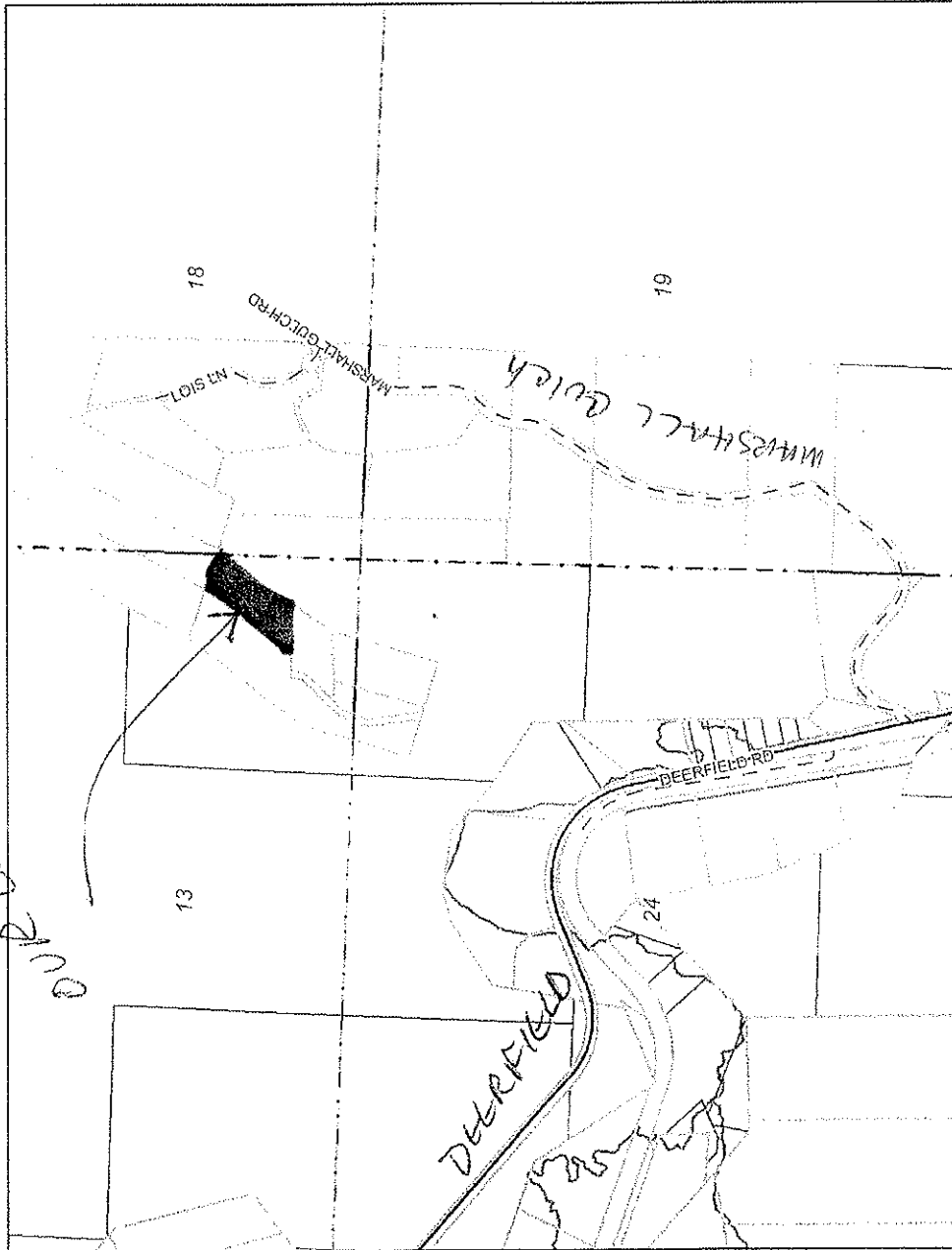
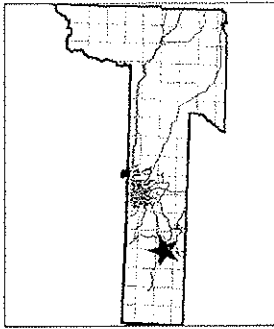
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  - US Highway
  - SD Highway
  - County Highway
  - Main Road
  - Minor Arterial
  - Collector
  - Ramp
  - Paved Road
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- Township/Section lines**
  - SECTION
  - TOWNSHIP
- Parcel Boundary**
- Lot Lines**
- COUNTY**
- LOT LINE**
- PARCEL LINE**
- ROAD ROW**
- RR ROW**
- SECTION**
- TOWNSHIP**
- WATER LINE**
- PLSS Sections**
- County Line**
- City Boundaries**
- Rapid City**
- Box Elder**

Scale: 1:11,668



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Map center: 43° 57' 13" N, 103° 34' 46" W

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**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 9:00 AM  
**To:** bcbbi@gwtc.net  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** FW: Rochford area map  
**Attachments:** Pactola - North Detail 1.pdf

Charlotte,

Attached is a map showing the alternate route for our proposed line that goes through north of Rochford. The mile wide area has Rochford on the south edge and, if this route we pursue, we will do all we can to make it compatible with the area and landowners. As stated in our open house, it will be some time before we get to a point where we have our options narrowed down to one or a combination of the alternate routes. If you have any questions or are interested in the status of this project, please contact myself or Mark Carda, our project manager. I believe you have his E mail address as well.

Thanks again for your interest and input to this process.

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Friday, September 17, 2010 11:12 AM  
**To:** bcbbi@gwtc.net  
**Subject:** Rochford area map

Charlotte,

I will have an expanded Rochford area map showing the power line route alternate that is in that area early next week and will send it to you when I get it. We had a couple of areas where there were quite a few landowners that we are getting expanded maps for.

Thanks for attending our meeting



**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Fischer/Sivage [bcbbi@gwtc.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 10:38 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Re: Rochford area map

Thank you for the expanded view of Rochford, Melchert Place, Black Fox Road, Silver Creek, White Tail Peak, Merry Go Round Loop, Rochford Cemetery, Deerfield Road, etc.. We are very appreciative for your attention to our concerns and interest in BHP's siting of the 230KV line.

Charlotte Fischer  
Bonnie Sivage  
22634 N. Rochford Rd.  
Hill City SD 57745  
605-584-3125  
Or  
21039 US HIGHWAY 14/63  
MIDLAND SD 57552  
605-567-3661





**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 11:58 AM  
**To:** rldmk@hughes.net  
**Subject:** Line route Map  
**Attachments:** Pactola - North Detail 2.pdf

Roger,

Glad to have met you and thanks for stopping in. If you would when you have time, please send in your comment form that was mailed to you. You can also just scan it and send it via E mail if you would like. Please call me at 605-721-2220 or E mail me if I can be of further help.

Thanks again

ROGER KEHM  
2610 SOUTH HAWTHORNE, SIOUX FALLS, SD 57105  
SIOUX FALL PHONE: 605-338-0234  
DARI LOCAL PHONE: 605-388-0234  
HIS PROPERTY IS ABOUT 3/4 MILE WEST OF HWY 385  
& JUST SOUTH OF ROCKFOLD ROAD.



**Dahlinger, Ron**

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2010 9:07 AM  
**To:** pitts@brookings.net  
**Cc:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** BHP proposed transmission line  
**Attachments:** Pactola - North Detail 1.pdf; 3685\_001.pdf

Carol,

I have attached a map of the Rochford area showing the alternate route that is on the north edge of Rochford. If this map does not cover the area you are interested in, please let me know where your property is from there and I will get it to you. We had a good turnout at our meeting last week and I have also attached a copy of the information packet we handed out at the meeting.

Thanks for your interest and please contact me with any questions or comments you may have in the future. I would encourage you to send the comment form in with your comments once you have had a chance to look at the map and review the information provided.



**Dahlinger, Ron**

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MAP #410  
Route A -  
Black Hills

**From:** Richard Schliesing [patriot66@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 18, 2010 11:11 AM  
**To:** Dahlinger, Ron; hjbranch@q.com  
**Subject:** RE: Map of transmission routes  
**Attachments:** Blackhillspower.doc; BHprop2.doc

Ron,

As you know, we live in Eagan Minnesota and were not able to attend the meeting on the 16th. We have attached a filled out "Comment Form" sent out by Mark Carda. Please consider our reply in lieu of sending this via US mail as our comments and concerns and please consider them when making a final decision relative to this project.

If you need to call me I can be reached at:

Home 651-688-7147  
Cell 612-850-4357

Thank you again for your help.

Sincerely,

Rick Schliesing

From: Ron.Dahlinger@blackhillscorp.com  
To: Patriot66@msn.com  
Date: Wed, 15 Sep 2010 09:45:21 -0600  
Subject: Map of transmission routes

Rick,

I have attached a JPEG of the transmission routes proposed for our new line that should cover the area you have property in. Once you have found on the map, give me a call at 605-721-2220 and we can discuss.

Thanks

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**COMMENT FORM**  
**Teckla - Osage - Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line**

This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Richard W. Schliesing

Address:

3872 Denmark Avenue

City/State/Zip: Eagan, Minnesota 55123

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We purchased this property as a retirement residence because of the clean pristine views and wonderful natural scenery that it offered. There is nothing between it and Harney Peak some 30 miles away and we would not like to see 65'-75' towers destroy that view in addition to the electricity that would be emitted by such high voltage lines. We would be in hopes that a route that was less populated could be found. We are not the only property owners within "Stagebarn Addition" that share this view and it would be our hope that this would be taken into consideration when making the final decision of the final corridor that will be used. In addition, we are aware that there are existing power line corridors in existence and are wondering why these corridors cannot be used for this project.

Legal descript. \_\_\_\_\_ Section 10 Township 2 Range 6  
Canyon Place Sub lot 5 Block 1

*(Please see back)*

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

As we stated earlier, it would be our hope that a route could be found that would not impact our natural views of the Black Hills and also the surrounding wildlife. Should this not be possible we would expect monetary reimbursement for the loss of value that this project would cause. It would only be, in our view, fair that this occur. The problem with this is establishing a value on such beauty and it is our view that this property is priceless. The area that you are looking to build this line is too valuable and pristine for such an project. We have looked at the map and would suggest the line be brought in from south of Custer rather than through the recommended routes presently being considered or at least utilize the existing high power corridors already in existence. It took us years to find and pay for our land and to have this taken away for us over this decision would be devastating.

Please return any comments you may have on this form to the address below if you are unable to attend the meeting on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

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**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering]  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

Dahlinger, Ron

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**From:** Dahlinger, Ron  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 15, 2010 9:45 AM  
**To:** Patriot66@msn.com  
**Subject:** Map of transmission routes  
**Attachments:** Pactola\_to\_Lange\_Detail\_1[1].pdf

Rick, *SHLIESING*

I have attached a JPEG of the transmission routes proposed for our new line that should cover the area you have property in. Once you have found on the map, give me a call at 605-721-2220 and we can discuss.

Thanks

*CANYON PLACE SUBDIVISION, LOT 5, BLOCK 1 OFF END  
OF PINEWOOD COURT (20 ACRES)*

*9/15/10 VISITED WITH HIM & HE WILL SEND IN COMMENT FORM.  
HIS LAND IS ON NORTH EDGE OF NORTH CORRIDOR IN  
MEADE COUNTY. HE LIVES IN MINNEAPOLIS.*

# Comment Form

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This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name: Janna Emmel + Randy Berger

Address: 23210 W. Clear Creek Rd.

City/State/Zip: RC SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Please consider aesthetics + view of the  
transmission lines.

We live in a small valley behind  
Black Forest Inn (near Pactola) + any kind of  
large structures going through this well-populated area  
~~can be small lots~~ would have a devastating consequence  
to the views of many homes - Most of us  
in this area have small lots, concentrated housing (2 acres or  
less) so the impact of the lines would be disproportionate  
to other possible locales -

Property Location: Clear Creek Placer MS 1184  
Lot 3-5 of Lot 7-8

Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

We have been remodeling our modest home for 16 years & would be heartbroken (and angry!) if your transmission lines compromised all that we have worked so hard to create -- a lovely, peaceful, simple home in the Black Hills--

Rather--Are there transmission lines in the Edelweiss area you have used before? Seems like we saw some that were torn out. Can you reuse that area?

Please return any comments you may have on this form to the address below if you are unable to attend the meeting on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

# Comment Form

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This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

MARVIN BOUSKA

Address:

1249 MOUNTAIN VIEW RD

City/State/Zip:

RAPID CITY, SD 57702

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I AM OPPOSED TO ALTERNATIVE A. THIS RUNS THROUGH A minimally populated area - FURTHER development & DESTRUCTION OF these (more) natural areas is something I oppose. When FOREST SERVICE LAND adjoins private land, I support placing lines as far as possible from private land boundaries and people that may reside on that land.

Property Location: N. BOGUS TIM & DURREN RD JUNCTION

Legal Description: 2 NOSE Section 15 Township 2N Range 5E BHM

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Lined area for providing additional comments.

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Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**



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This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

LORIE KLEIN + MIKE DOLLISON

Address:

39 PINE TOP DRIVE

City/State/Zip:

NEWCASTLE, WY 82701

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We do not have a problem with this proposal nor will we in the future, unless the transmission line were to cross our property. If that were to happen we would have a strong objection.

Thank you.

Lorie Klein  
307-660-9977

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

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**Please mail this comment form to the address below.**

**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

# Public Open House Comment Form

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Richard & Donna Fisher

Address:

12311 Whitetail Road (off of Rockford Road)

City/State/Zip:

Deadwood SD 57732

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☒ Other mailing

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

1. When there are alternatives through National Forest land, please do not consider going through privately owned land.

2. Our primary concern: the aesthetics and land values of our neighbors and us. My concern is safety for people under & near the lines, esp. young ones.

3. Please discard alternative A.

4. Follow current lines into Rapid City.

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

1) We were out of town extensively this summer and missed any announcements about this until our return - after the meeting was held.

2) We subscribe to the R.C. Journal by electronic delivery and did not see any announcement while we were gone. Only 30,000 subscribers to RCJ means many rural folks affected by the powerline did not know about the meeting. A letter to all affected parties (with extensive information) would have been democratic and courteous. dmf

Have meetings, bring detailed maps and listen in community locations. Come to us rather than asking us to come to you. Our land and property equity is affected by a power company that doesn't provide our power. dmf

Please return this comment form to the Comment Table or fold, tape, and mail to the address below.

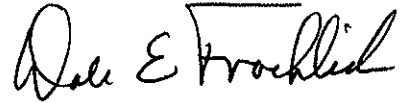
**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering**  
**Black Hills Power**  
**PO Box 1400**  
**Rapid City, SD 57709**

Tuesday, September 21, 2010

MEMO:

TO: Mark Carda, Project Manager  
Transmission Services  
Black Hills Power & Light  
409 Deadwood Avenue  
Rapid City, South Dakota 57701  
Phone: 605-721-2274  
Email: [Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:Mark.Carda@blackhillscorp.com)

FROM: Dale E. Froehlich  
COPPER MOUNTAIN RANCH- CMR, LLC  
LLC Secretary & Attorney  
# 6 South Le Chateau Place  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57105-0163  
Phone: 605-201-9810  
Email: [dalefroehlich@gmail.com](mailto:dalefroehlich@gmail.com)



RE: Proposed Transmission Line (WY-SD)

Just following up on our phone call of last week, I am writing to formally request that you keep both myself (on behalf of CMR, LLC; Copper Mountain Ranch) and Dan MacRandall (on behalf of Old Dakotah Ranch) advised of any and all potential hearings and briefings regarding the establishment of a power transmission land across the southern and southeastern areas of T1SR3E (just west of Hill City)...

We understand that this is being suggested as Alternative "C" and that your decision of "preferred route" will be entertained and confirmed sometime within the next year or so. We want to be involved; as we have definite opinions and wish to express them at the appropriate time and stage of your project/work.

Please advise of any action pending or taken in this matter.

Cc: Dr. Dan MacRandall  
Heartland Professional  
2105 Slaten Court  
Sioux Falls, SD 57103  
Phone: 605-351-5640





# Comment Form

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Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

DARRELL HOHN

Address:

12475 MERRITT ESTES RD

City/State/Zip:

DEADWOOD, SD. 57732

PH - 348-0481

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

ALTA - ROUTE

No more poles or lines allowed  
on my ranch. I let you put new  
lines and the old poles + lines are still  
in my meadow - I'm mad as hell -

I cut hay around 2 sets of poles - no one  
returns my call - Old poles are still there -

Property Location: Highway - 385 - Merritt Gate RD

Legal Description: Section 7 Township 2N Range 5E

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

I DON'T WANT THE PROJECT --

Please return any comments you may have on this form to the address below if you are unable to attend the meeting on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

# Comment Form

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This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

Robert & Karen Hovey

Address:

3319 White Eagle Drive

City/State/Zip:

Naperville, IL 60564

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

I do not want the proposed power lines routed on or near my property. My wife and I have recently purchased this property and have built a \$1.5 million dollar property log home on the property. We passed up many properties that had power lines so that we could enjoy a stunning view in a quiet environment. Power lines would destroy our view, create an unacceptable noise level - destroying the quiet and would gut the value of our recent investment. You should consider alternatives.

Property Location: 9951 Echo Valley CT, Rapid City, SD

Legal Description: Section 3, 4, 9 Township Two (2) Range North of Range 6 East BHM  
Lot 2 of 7 Lot 2 of Lot 7 Block 1 Canyon Place Subdivision  
in Rolling Hills - Mead County

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Such as building a power plant in Rapid City, looking for additional alternatives through other areas, or building a new nuclear power plant. Other companies have found that they can increase transmission by increasing voltage on existing or modified towers or by adding additional conductors to existing lines.

Please don't ruin my life.

Please return any comments you may have on this form to the address below if you are unable to attend the meeting on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Robert and Karen Hovey

Address: P.O. Box 487 Rapid City, S.D. 57709

3319 White Eagle Dr. Naperville, IL 60564

City/State/Zip:

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☐ Project flyer

☒ Other letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

As you can see by the number above, our home is within the proposed corridor for Alternative Rt #1-ortA. Our home is <sup>on</sup> a totally wooded property adjacent to Black Hills National Forest. In addition to being an eye sore, as my husband, Bob, has written in his letter, the power lines <sup>will</sup> pose a significant fire hazard to our home as we are surrounded by trees. This will impact us in many ways.

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

not the least would be our homeowners insurance rates or even ~~poss~~ eligibility of coverage.

What would be our recourse if we lost coverage or could no longer afford it?

We chose this property in part to avoid the issue of power lines.

We definitely do not want this alternative.

Thank you for your asking for input.

Karen M. Hovey

prettykaren282001@yahoo.com

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Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
Black Hills Power  
PO Box 1400  
Rapid City, SD 57709



# Comment Form

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This comment form will be used to document your comments relative to this proposed project. Please take a few moments to provide comments as shown below.

Please provide your current mailing address:

Your Name:

Bruce & Sandy Jordan

Address:

23833 Songbird Rd Box 849

City/State/Zip:

Hill City, SD 57745

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

- ✓ Environmental Impact!
- ✓ We currently have Black Hills Cooperative dissecting our property in half!
- ✓ I'm aware of FAA rules & considerations for open areas over mountainous terrain as I am a pilot. (Emergency/forced landings)
- ✓ With an additional power line through our property, it would devalue our property.

- ✓ Aesthetically it would make an unsightly property for future dwelling and aesthetics
- ✓ Health concerns with overhead lines!

Property Location: 1.5 miles Northwest of Hill City, SD on Deerfield Rd

Legal Description: 1S Section 24 Township 1S Range 04E

Burns Placer #697 Lot 74 W/line

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\*NOTE: Please notify us via mail of future public meetings

Thank You, Bruce & Sandy

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## Carda, Mark

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**From:** Bunch, James  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 06, 2010 5:20 PM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Cc:** Karim, Monni  
**Subject:** FW: Ref:Complaint 3621 - Ed Wagoner Concern at Lot 29 G Big Plumb Rd. - Follow- Up

Mark:

You might want to put this in your file for future reference. It looks as if the Wagoners did go ahead and buy the Lot! OK! Thanks, Jim B.

J.W. Bunch  
Black Hills Power  
1-307-746-2727-Phone  
1-307-746-2737 Fax  
1-307-746-6320-Cell

New Email Address: James.Bunch@blackhillscorp.com

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Shirley McCown [mailto:smccow@state.wy.us]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 06, 2010 3:22 PM  
**To:** Bunch, James  
**Subject:** Re: Ref:Complaint 3621 - Ed Wagoner Concern at Lot 29 G Big Plumb Rd.

Thanks Jim.

I did check with Mr. Wagoner, he said he met with you in the office and you showed him a map. However, the engineer had not called him with anymore info, and he said no one had offered to meet with him at the property to see where the old line was. He was able to locate it by finding sawed off poles. (He hadn't mentioned that Mark Carda had met with him in June.) I asked him if he would like me to get with you for any further info, he said no since they had closed on the property, but when the time comes for the line he may fight the battle then. I have closed the complaint. Thanks for your assistance!  
--Shirley

>>> "Bunch, James" <James.Bunch@blackhillscorp.com> 10/6/2010 2:51 PM  
>>> >>>  
Shirley:

I just wanted to follow up with you and let you know, Mark Carda, our project engineer, for the proposed transmission project met with Ed Wagoner and his wife on June 28th about the proposed transmission line over Plumb Creek. Although he could not answer their question per se, he did show them the proposed route. We are at least a year out on staking the new line, since it will not be constructed until 1913. While the Wagoners still did not exactly know the exact location, we did meet with them and provided them everything we could. So, that is where we stand now. OK! Thanks, Jim B.

J.W. Bunch  
Black Hills Power  
1-307-746-2727-Phone  
1-307-746-2737 Fax  
1-307-746-6320-Cell

New Email Address: James.Bunch@blackhillscorp.com

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Robertson

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Please provide your current mailing address:

RT. A

Your Name:

Dean Robertson

Address:

11516 Melchert Place

City/State/Zip:

Rochford, SD 57745

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

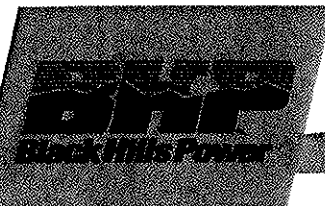
☒ Other letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

Do the least amount of damage to the environment, be as unobtrusive as possible, respect the character and culture of the area, stay as much as possible in areas that already have development and have EXCELLENT communication with landowners in proposed routes/corridors. You need a website with frequent updates as your timelines seem to change and we get different info from agents, website + printed materials.

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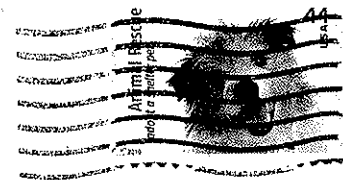
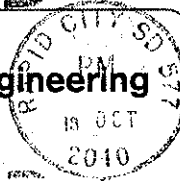
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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Regarding ALT A, in the area from 5 mi W of Rockford to 13 miles E of Rockford using SHEET 1 map:  
 The center of the proposed corridor begins on this map at White Tail Peak - an almost sacred spot in the Northern Hills where locals + visitors stand in awe at the nearly 360° view of glorious mountains + meadows, with no development in sight. To have a transmission line here - God himself will cry! Not only would the site be ruined, but the view OF white tail peak from surrounding areas will be ruined - from here the line runs East, crossing one of the most scenic stretches of the Mickelson Trail, and twice crossing roads within 1 mile of Rockford - Rockford has a rich history + is appreciated for its turn of the century flavor.  
 Route A will require so many spans - peak to peak - and require so much clearing + be so hard to maintain. Surely there is a more appropriate alternative!

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Mark Carda, Manager of T&D Engineering  
 Black Hills Power  
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 Rapid City, SD 57709





**Carda, Mark**

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**From:** GLENDA ROBERTSON [glendarobertson@wildblue.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 06, 2010 10:12 AM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Teckla-R.C. transmission line

Good Morning, Mr. Carda;

I attended the recent informational Open House at the Dahl Art Center where I had the opportunity to speak with a number of your representatives about the proposed 230 kV transmission line that you propose to build from your Teckla substation to Rapid City. In particular I was interested in the route of Alternate A, because I live within the corridor.

My initial reaction was that this is a totally inappropriate route for such a line, but I did not fill out my Comment Form at the Open House because I wanted time to further research the route and make my comments based on as much information as possible. I have now had time to plot the proposed corridor onto detailed Forest Service and Pennington County maps, and, even more than before, think this is an inappropriate route. I will be mailing my completed Comment Form to you; but in the meantime I have some suggestions about how the Open House was handled and how you might better communicate with the public.

First, you stated in your invitation to the Open House that you had previously placed notices about a prior meeting in the Rapid City Journal and had very small attendance at that meeting. This would be because most of the concerned people do not live in Rapid City and do not subscribe to the Rapid City Journal. So, although probably legally required, communication through the Journal is not an effective way of reaching people outside of Rapid City.

Second, some landowners/residents in the proposed corridor (in Alternate A) around Rochford did not receive the informational packets/notice of Open House that you mailed. Your representatives stated that they tried very hard to contact everyone. It is hard to understand how they could miss so many. Property records are easily researched on-line. I just did this as a test and easily found mailing addresses for ALL of the folks I know did not receive your mailing. (Pennington Co. Property Search, search by street). When you do not mail letters to all property owners some people to think you are only making a token effort and do not have a real interest in contacting everyone.

Third, the mailings were sent too late. We received them about four days before the Open House. I know of people who think this was done on purpose so the attendance would not be as high. It would be reasonable to give 10-14 days notice so people have a better opportunity to schedule their attendance at your Open House.

Fourth, Before the Open House I called Black Hills Power to check that detailed maps would be available at the meeting (since the one from your website has hardly any

landmarks) and was assured that "Yes, we will have lots of detailed maps as well as aerial photos". The map at the Open House was the same one as on the website, not showing roads, towns or other major landmarks. This was a disappointment to us, as we learned nothing about the proposed route than we didn't know from the website. And there were no aerial photos of OUR area.

Fifth is the issue of mixed "messages". Your representatives at the Open House were very enthusiastic in encouraging us all to fill out the Comment Forms because "we are very interested to hear what you have to say and will take into consideration all of your comments in making our decision". If this is true...that you really want as much input from the public as possible and that you will use our comments in reaching your decision... then it would be good to structure your communications with us in such a way that people feel you are making a serious effort to keep them informed.

One more suggestion, would be to start collecting e-mail addresses for the folks who send in Comment Forms. It would have been good to have a space for that on the comment form. Then you could easily keep us advised of the progress.

\*\*\*Do you have a revised/current expectation as to when a decision on the preferred route will be made? There is a lot of confusion about this because we were told at the Open House that no one has actually physically checked out the route of Alternate A ("We just drew a line on the map"); yet you are soon starting Environment Impact Studies....It is hard to believe that you would go to the expense of doing Environment Impact Studies on routes that may physically be inappropriate for transmission lines. Or are you required to do studies on all three proposed routes ?

I hope you have stuck with me to the end here !

I know this is long, and that no one likes to get long e-mails; but it wasn't a lot of fun to WRITE such a long e-mail either.

Regards,  
Glenda Robertson  
11516 Melchert Place  
Rochford, SD 57745

605-584-1775  
[glendarobertson@wildblue.net](mailto:glendarobertson@wildblue.net)

# Public Open House Comment Form

Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line

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As part of our project planning process, Black Hills Power is holding an open house to educate and inform the public about the proposed Teckla – Osage – Rapid City 230 kV Transmission Line Project. The open house is meant to help us obtain comments, and identify issues related to the project which will be included in subsequent project document preparation. Please take a few moments to answer the questions below and return this sheet to the comment table or mail to the address on the back of this form.

**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

GERALD J. SCHMIDT

Address:

4718 CAPITAL ST.

City/State/Zip:

RAPID CITY SD 57702

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ Website

☒ Project flyer

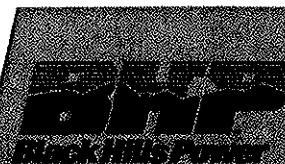
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

We plan to build a house on our property which would be almost directly under the centerline of your proposed alternative B route. It would take minimal realignment to move it south between the private land on Norris Peak Road and keep it greater than 300 feet away from those properties for low EMF and decreased easement costs. We prefer alternative A or C.

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

Lined area for providing additional comments.

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Sieck  
11504 Melchert Place  
Hill City, SD 57745  
(605)584-9910

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☒ Other Neighbor

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

- ① Out of site of the public - there's plenty of BHPF to corridor the thru and logging roads for access
- ② Away from housing areas for health issues
- ③ Why re-locate line ground path when you have an existing cleared area - how financially responsible is that???

(Please see back)

Route C

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**BHPF**  
Black Hills Power

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

④ Only one person in our immediate area was contacted by BHP - Wow is that ever a Red Flag!!!!!!  
We will now expect to be contacted

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**Please provide your current mailing address:**

Your Name:

Joyce Sugrue

Address:

13090 Timber Lane

City/State/Zip:

Rapid City, SD 57202

How did you hear about this meeting? (this helps us to know how best to provide project information to the public)

- ☐ Newspaper advertisement  
☐ Project flyer

☐ Website

☒ Other landowner letter

1. Please describe any issues that should be considered during siting and selection of proposed transmission line corridors and routes:

The lines should be located so they impact private dwellings as little as possible. The Pine Cliff development, new Johnson Siding, does not allow overhead lines by covenants.  
Please continue to keep us informed.  
Thank you for meeting with us.

(Please see back)

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2. Please provide any additional comments you may have on the project.

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**Carda, Mark**

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**From:** Erica Welu [weluem@q.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 02, 2010 5:38 PM  
**To:** Carda, Mark  
**Subject:** Proposed power lines

Mark,

My name is Mike Welu. I live at 23779 Hidden Mine Lane, Hill City, SD. Legal description of property: Sunnyside Lode MS 1080 and Sec 13 1080 Sunnyside Lode.

I am writing to voice my concern with the proposal to run the power line through the Hill city area. Many of us that live along the Deerfield road have a view of Harney Peak. The installation of the power line would be directly in our line of sight. Harney Peak is a main Blackhills attraction. Therefore, any construction that hinders not only residents but tourist's views of this attraction should not be pursued.

In addition, the Hill City area prides itself on a small town, rustic image. A back drop of high wire power lines would be detrimental to this image.

Please consider an alternate route.

Sincerely,

Mike Welu

