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PROJECT NO. 50664

**ISSUES RELATED TO THE STATE OF
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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS**

PUC DOCKET NO. 49523
SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-19-6766

**APPLICATION OF LCRA
TRANSMISSION SERVICES
CORPORATION TO AMEND ITS
CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE
AND NECESSITY FOR THE
MOUNTAIN HOME 138-KV
TRANSMISSION LINE IN GILLESPIE,
KERR, AND KIMBLE COUNTIES**

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS**

ORDER REQUESTING INFORMATION

This Order requests that any party in Docket No. 49523 that desires to physically attend the Commission's open meeting to address the Commission on that docket to respond to this request by Tuesday, May 19, 2020. The response must include the name of each landowner that wants to attend the open meeting to address the Commission.

The Commission has been conducting open meetings only by telephone conference call since governor Abbott's disaster declaration, and access to the William B. Travis building has been restricted. However, the Commission recognizes the importance of transmission-line cases to landowners who may be affected by the location of this transmission line and has been considering whether, and if so, how it can accommodate landowners' desires to address the Commission in person in these types of cases.

Because the LCRA line is currently scheduled for the open meeting currently scheduled for May 29, 2020, the Commission needs the requested information to help it develop a plan for in-person participation at future open meetings.

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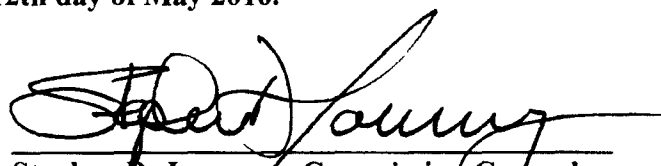
However, the Commission needs sufficient time to prepare a safe environment to accommodate oral presentations by landowners to the Commission. Waiting for requests to address the Commission under the timeline in the Commission's procedural rules will not provide the time needed to make a plan and implement it. Further, the plan will necessarily depend on the number of people that want to address the Commission in person.

The Commission may address a plan for landowner participation at open meetings at the open meeting currently scheduled for May 14, 2020. But a plan for the May 29 open meeting cannot be finalized until the Commission knows the number of people that may be in attendance. Depending on this number, the Commission may need additional time to implement a plan, which could cause this item to be pushed to the open meeting currently scheduled for June 12, 2020. In addition, a plan may need to be tailored for each open meeting based on the number of people that attend the meeting.

If the Commission implements a plan to allow physical attendance at an open meeting, the need to prepare and maintain a safe environment is of paramount importance for both the Commission and people that attend an open meeting. This environment will be designed to accommodate the expected number of people attending. Thus, it is likely that only people that respond to this order will be allowed to physically attend the open meeting.

However, physical attendance at the open meeting is not required to address the Commission on Docket No. 49253. Landowners will be able to address the Commission through the telephone conference call.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 12th day of May 2016.


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