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Subject: POWER Engineers, Inc. Project No. 122832
Harris County, TX
Expanded Study Area Boundary for the Proposed 138 kV Springwoods Project

Dear Ms. Vasse:

We sent a letter to you previously, dated June 17, 2011, requesting a project review. Since that time the study area boundary for this project has expanded to the southeast to provide more routing options for the proposed transmission line. We are requesting that your office review the revised project study area boundary map to determine if your office has any additional input.

CenterPoint Energy is proposing to construct a new double-circuit 138 kilovolt (kV) transmission line located in north Harris and south Montgomery counties, Texas. The new transmission line will connect the existing 138 kV transmission system to the proposed Springwoods Substation. The location of the proposed Springwoods Substation site has not yet been determined. Please refer to the enclosed map depicting the project study area.

POWER Engineers, Inc. (POWER) has been contracted by CenterPoint Energy to prepare an Environmental Assessment and Alternative Route Analysis to support an application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT). POWER is identifying environmental and land use constraints within the study area that will be incorporated into the creation of an environmental and land use constraints map. Based on this information, POWER will identify potential alternative routes for the proposed transmission line project.

We are requesting that your office provide information concerning existing and planned environmental and land use constraints regarding storm water, water rights, water quality, or any other issues of interest to the TCEQ within the study area. Your input will be an important consideration in the development of alternative routes and in the assessment of potential impacts. Upon PUCT certification of a route for the proposed project, CenterPoint Energy will identify and obtain necessary permits. If permits are required from your office, CenterPoint Energy will contact your office at that time.

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Thank you for your assistance with this proposed electric transmission line project. Please contact me at 281-765-5507 or by e-mail, lisa.barko@powereng.com, if you have any questions or require additional information. We would appreciate receiving your reply by August 16, 2011.

Sincerely,



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Project Manager

Enclosure(s):
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