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Mr. Tommy Antill
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Subject: Application for Certificate
Don Marquis 138 kV Loop #1 Project
Case Number 07-715-EL-BTX
Clarifications for Staff Investigation

Dear Mr. Antill:

Attached please find Staff questions for clarification in regards to the proposed American Electric Power (AEP) Don Marquis transmission line project. Please respond by providing each question as a heading and AEP's response/clarification following.

In order to ensure a timely investigation of your application, please provide this information for the record as soon as possible.

Please contact Jon Pawley at (614) 644-7631 if you have any questions regarding this information.

Sincerely,

Klaus Lambeck, Chief
Facilities, Siting & Environmental Analysis Division

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Clarifications/Questions from Staff regarding the Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need

1. How will this project affect the Regional Bulk Electric System?
2. What is the approximate number of linear feet of agricultural use spanned by the Preferred and Alternate Routes?
3. What is the approximate acreage of active agricultural use projected to be taken out of production for the Preferred and Alternate Routes if constructed?
4. Applicant's response dated December 21, 2007 indicated neither line is located within an Agricultural District parcel. How many Agricultural District parcels are within 100 and 1,000 feet of the Preferred and Alternate routes?
5. What will happen to excess soil piles at structure locations?
6. Does the applicant have contingency measures in place should existing drainage systems on agricultural lands be damaged or destroyed as a result of construction of the proposed line?
7. In the application, p. 7-18 describes the Short's hedge hyssop as being approximately 200 feet west of Wetland 2 in a ditch crossing the Preferred Route. However, this information does not seem consistent with Figure 3D. Please clarify the location of Short's hedge hyssop.