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Lance John Mulvahill


April 12, 2012

Dear Mr. Mulvahill:

I am writing in response to the email you submitted to the BC Utilities Commission on March 22, 2012 (Exhibit E-1, copy attached). I would like to take the opportunity to clarify some details on the DCAT transmission line routing near the Kiskatinaw River and your property.

Suboption C1-d, as shown in the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) Application (Appendix D Sheet iii) filed on July 11, 2011, is correctly mapped. Similarly, the environmental overview assessment (CPCN Application Appendix F) considers Suboption C1-d as it is mapped.

The CPCN Application (page 4-11, line 25) indicates that sub-option considerations for portions of the transmission line routing were still being evaluated (Suboption C1-d was one of those areas). At the time the CPCN Application was submitted, the plan was to cross the Kiskatinaw River on the south side of Highway 97 and no alternative (i.e. suboption) was considered for that crossing.

As a result of ongoing design work after the CPCN Application was filed, the DCAT transmission line route alignment has been modified in some locations, including the Kiskatinaw River crossing. Geotechnical investigations have shown that the ground may be significantly more unstable at the original planned river crossing on the south side of the highway than on the north side, so a route crossing on the north side of the bridge is being planned. This and other routing changes were filed in the update to the CPCN application, filed on March 23, 2012, and labelled as Exhibit B-1-3 on the BCUC website for the DCAT CPCN Application.

The geotechnical report is currently being finalized and will be available later this month. A copy of it will be provided to you when it is finalized.

If you have any further questions, please contact property representative David Aberdeen at (250) 888-0999 or by email: david.aberdeen@aberdeens.ca.

Sincerely,



Brooke Dutka
Sr. Project Manager

C: British Columbia Utilities Commission
C: David Aberdeen, Properties Consultant

Att: Exhibit E-1, Mulvahill Letter of Comment

From:
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2012 3:40 PM
To: Commission Secretary BCUC:EX
Cc: Lance.Mulvahill@contractor.conocophillips.com
Subject: BCH DCAT

Hello.

I have several concerns about BC hydros application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity.(DCAT Project)

There are few important facts that are not true . On 400/905 page 51 of 207 it states that option route C1-d does not cross a tributary. When in fact it crosses the Kiskatenaw river. The maps indicate it does not. But it in fact goes through my property, crosses the river and through my neighbours ().Also in 504/905 appendix F page 155of 207 the summary of potential effects on land use using VSC's indicates the agriculture and private land use on C1-d sub option is listed as Low . When in reality a 33meter right of way, will remove virgin timber as well as 15 year old planted Spruce trees through the whole length of property. As well it will cross the river and go onto Walper's Property. On walpers it will be right by his house. As well Appendix F 505/905 page 156 of 207 states that there will be low level Visual disturbance and low noise and dust. In fact it will remove almost all tree cover between my house and the hart highway.

I feel these misrepresentations are dishonest.B.C Hydro has a moral and a Legal responsibility to provide truthful facts.

To decide on a route the info must be accurate and not scewed one way or the other. The maps are extremely inaccurate when comparing to the actual site. As well as some important facts about C1-d are not true at all in the least.

Thankyou for your time

Lance Mulvahill