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From: jean wright [jawright112047@gmail.com]
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To: Birkholz, David (COMM)
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I am writting with concerns of the proposed alternate route proposed by Xcel Energy-Great River Energy Fargo to St.Cloud 345 KV Transmission Line that is located in Hudson Township sections 13 and 14 and Orange township sections 18-19, 17, 20 portion of Douglas County.

Our residence is located in Orange township section 17 with the south line of section 17 being located approximately 300 to 400 feet from our house.

This area is now a pristine natural landscape. The environmental impact upon the surrounding mature Oak woods and uncompromised area would be very detrimental to the habitat of the many different bird species and animals including owls, wood peckers, wild turkeys pheasants, finches, hummingbirds, nuthatches, indigo buntings, fox, mink, weasels, deer etc. that inhabit this area.

There are several homesteads that are located in the northern portion of the above mention area of the alternate route corridor which would be severely impacted as well. If such route is chosen, by locating the transmission line on the most western and southern portion of the blue corridor would substantially reduce the impact of this area on both the human and wild life that inhabit this area .

Please keep us informed as to the next proceedings involving this matter.

Sincerely,

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