

Public Comment Sheet
SCOPING MEETING
Xcel Energy Glencoe – Waconia HVTL Project
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Comments:

Our home, for the last 20 years, is located at 10100 118th Street, Cologne Minnesota. We moved to a country setting to raise our family of five children. When we purchased our property it was with the knowledge of an existing 69kv power line located across the street, running parallel to our property line without an easement, to our knowledge. The proposed 115kv power line and easement, without a doubt would have been a huge factor in whether we would have bought this property or not.

Our concerns now are:

#1 The long term health risk of (EMF) a much larger power system 115kv versus a 69kv: Even with the documentation we received explaining the affects, we are fully aware that an increase in power so near to our home definitely causes an increased health risk.

#2 The effects of the final footprint of the easement and how it will affect our landscape: On our side of the road, we have a berrum and greenery in place to help minimize the extreme dust from the gravel road—should the location of the line change—this would greatly affect us. When will a final location be determined? It is our strong desire that if this new line indeed runs down our road, that it remain on the south side of 118th St.

#3 Property Value: We have not seen sufficient data as to the effect/loss`'s in property value due to the larger power polls and voltages associated with the proposed power line. What information do you have to offer in regard to this.

#4 Costs: We understand there are huge costs involved in a project of this size, tens if not hundreds of millions of dollar have gone into research, design, development and permitting, but little to nothing toward the affected land owners/residents near the power line who are making all the sacrifices. What monetary compensation is there for the landowners who are affected by this?

#5 Interference: Xcel Energy and its affiliates as well as the end users of this power line stand to benefit while we stand to lose. I have worked around these high voltage power lines and know they constantly sizzle, buzz and hum and you can feel the energy when you are anywhere near them. I also know there is a tremendous amount of interference which will affect most all electronic devices ranging from heart pace makers to TV, radio, and cell phone use just to mention a few.

We are requesting your consideration prior to the permitting of this project. We feel our views and concern are notable and real. We are not able to come up with a better route for this power line--we have not the time nor resources that Excel energy has dedicated to the development of this project, we only want to be made whole for our loss`s if this project is to be permitted. Please feel free to contact us at our home with any comments or question.

Thank you. 952-466-2658