

From: [Rokala, Joe A \(DNR\)](#)
To: dmccourtney@allete.com
Cc: [Engesser, John \(DNR\)](#); [Sellner, Jim M \(DNR\)](#); [Clevenstine, Peter T \(DNR\)](#); [Reed, Rian H \(DNR\)](#); [Sutherland, Jennifer \(DNR\)](#)
Subject: Routing of Transmission Line (Crossing of School Trust Fund land in NE1/4-SE1/4 and NW1/4-SE1/4-S36-T58N-R-18W, St. Louis Co)
Date: Friday, March 01, 2013 11:45:00 AM
Attachments: [20130301 Raod Eaement 133-023-048 \(S36-T58-R18, Leonidas\).pdf](#)

Mr. McCourtney,

Thank you for meeting in Grand Rapids to discussion the proposed transmission line crossing of School Trust Fund land in NE1/4 of the SE1/4 and NW1/4 of the SE1/4, Section 36, Township 58 North, Range 18 West. As we discussed, the State land contains a known taconite resource. DNR would consider licensing mono poles within the existing road easement right of way on the north side of the road (Road Easement 133-023-348). Attached please find excerpts from the road easement document.

Since the proposed transmission line footprint will encumber a known taconite resource, the utility license would be cancelable upon reasonable notice by the State for mining or related activity. In advance of future mining or related activity, the licensee would be required to remove from the lands all the utility lines and related structures owned by it at no expense to the State.

Additional land may be considered for license purposes, but no utility facilities would be authorized on the State land lying northerly of the road easement right of way.

The transmission line should not interfere with county highway operations or other utilities in the corridor.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Thank you,

Joe Rokala, Regional Operations Supervisor
Division of Lands and Minerals