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To: Russ Anderson; Brandon Kuznia; Mark Melby; Storm, Bill (COMM); rep.dan.fabian@house.mn; Gary; kmbeck@wiktel.com
Subject: RE: MN Power
Date: Friday, March 14, 2014 11:14:27 PM

Bill,
Hello,
I am Dan Penas.
As a Stokes Township Supervisor, and a landowner, I need to inform you that I agree with the opinions being expressed within these emails.

Considerations are not being given to the facts of the loss of income, the hazards to residents, and certainly not to the "less costly" ($) alternatives for the proposed line routes.

I ask that you strongly voice the constituents concerns to MN Power.

My family is directly affected as the "proposed" routes are to run directly north and south of my farmstead. Not only will we be hindered from potential income from the farm land, but also, we will be threatened with the loss of our investment in the property, and finally, we may have to deal with future health risks.

Thank you,
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From: **Russ Anderson** <russ@pelanco.com>
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Bill,

I am a Supervisor of Dewey Township, Roseau County, MN. I am calling a "spade a spade" and

am very concerned with the route choices that MN Power has made!

My main concerns are that many of the routes proposed are crossing private tax paying land. Why would you even think of devaluing private land when we have thousands of acres to build this on that we all own? This means State and Federal land that can and should be crossed. Early on in the mapping process, it seems ironic that they tried to go around any State land. Why is that?????? Very easy answer: It is easier to do Eminent Domain on private taxpaying landowners than to deal with the State and Federal Agencies for land we all own. Why is that? In these hard economic times when governments are overspending our tax dollars, why would you want to slap us in the face with a power line running through private land, devalue it, and tax us like there is nothing wrong? To me this is plain and simply wrong.

When meeting notices came out and stated "environmental process" it made me sick! Why on God's Green Earth do they think private, taxpaying landowners are so stupid that we can't see through the smoke and mirrors? It is a sell job that they needed to do to tell us private landowners that there is too much impact on "State land" but there is none on ours? Come on!!! If people are that naive to believe that there is less "impact" on private land than the land we all own they are totally wrong and could easily be proven with a drive along the proposed route on private land. It is another sell job on the private landowner. Let me ask you this; Would you rather buy a piece of land that has a huge power line running through it or one without? The answer is simple! This is a multi million dollar impact on the private landowners of MN when it doesn't have to.

Sometimes there are no alternatives than to run it on private land, but this is not the case. Canadian companies and MN Power are the only winners in this case. Run it as far east in Canada then drop it down to the Arrowhead on Public Land to Duluth. Simple.

If you have any questions or comments for me, my contact info is below.

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