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Good afternoon,

Can you please file the e-mail below into the docket for the Laketown 115 KV Transmission Line, docket 26-122? Can you please file it as a late-filed public comment? Let me know if you have any questions, thanks much!

Sam

From: Jack Worm <jack.worm@mun.ca>
Sent: Monday, January 5, 2026 3:32 PM
To: 'City of Saint John (New Brunswick)' <CityofSaintJohn@mun.ca>; 'In Reply to: Jack Worm' <jack.worm@mun.ca>; 'Patty and Tim Eiden' <patty@mun.ca>
Subject: Re: New Laketown Substation

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On Monday, January 5, 2026, 3:24 PM, Jack Worm <jack.worm@mun.ca> wrote:

Hello my name is Jack Worm.

Sorry to be so late on this, I have been consulting with Tim and Patty Eiden this past year about the New GRE's Proposed Route.

The other day I was driving South on County Road 42. I passed Hamersley Road then stopped at the North property line of the Bruce Madsoners farm that is the GRE's Preferred Route for the new power line.

I looked East and West then South imagining this new line. It will be starting at Guernsey Ave. heading West approximately two miles then heading North. This new line will be approximately 1.8 mile North from the existing 115kV line on County Road 140 running parallel.

Just looking at this would be very confusing to the average person!

There is already a 115KV line just to the South going East to West on the South side of County Road 140. There is a 3 phase distribution line going North South on the East side of the road on County Road 43, then there's another 3 phase line going East to West on the North side of county Road 140.

Starting to look like a mini Monticello power plant!

This line would really affect alot of future growth in that area cutting up the landscape for future housing!

Prime farm land!

This really got my attention, I was raised in the Augueta area, and I know 95% of the people that are being affected by all routes being looked at for this new Preferred Route.

These people are all friends of mine and I thought with my background I should get involved!

I should give you a little of my background.

I went to Linneam school right out of high school.

I started with the City of Chatham Line Department in July of 1979. I was 20 at the time.

At 24 years old, I was promoted to Line Foreman because people were retiring or moving out of state.

I had to learn a lot in a hurry for this position, eventually they promoted me into the Line Superintendent position.

Responsibilities:

Maintenance

Daily crew activities

Vehicle design and purchase

Safety

Line Scheduling Orders

Line design

Substation design and location

Working with MVEC, NVEC, and EXCEL on joint projects

I was involved with the construction of three New Substations and one Generation Substation facility. Then two 15KV transmission lines that were built through our territory.

I was involved in many out of state storm situations going aid to fellow municipalities.

I went to field three years in a row voluntarily involved with design and development of a Generation Sub Station and distribution circuits through the town of Pignon that had no power.

In 35 years of Line Design, the city did not have an on Staff Engineer.

The city contracted Heartland Engineering and Power Systems Engineering (PSE) to review all my designs and very seldom did they come back with any corrections.

I retired in 2024 after 45 years and 6 months of a very rewarding and gratifying career!

The Preferred Route, is probably the most UNDESIRABLE.

Very unrightly!!

It crosses over valuable farm land!

Interference with wildlife areas!

Undesirable for future maintenance and access to equipment and also creates a hazard for Linemen working near the railroad tracks.

GRE would need to acquire permitting from the railroad to parallel and cross over.

It interference with Future growth of the City of Carver.

In the future when GRE needs land for a Green Field Breaker along Guernsey Ave., where are they going to put it?

There is a home located in that location, this has never been discussed??

Looking at the one line 115KV diagram in my opinion the Greenfield Breaker. It should be put on the Radial Feed Tap that goes to the Bavaria Substation.

It is better reliability for the rest of the circuit!

The most desirable, feasible and less intrusive route in my opinion would be the Kelly Ave. to Augueta Road, then north on Juniper Ave., to County Road 10, then east to the New Laketown Substation.

It is the Shortest Route.

Minimal maintenance.

More acceptable to the public.

There would be no need to buy an much assessment!

Year around safe access to all structures!

Has never been explained why they would need a future Greenfield Breaker installed?

Why wouldn't the breakers at the Bavaria and Dalrymple Switch yards be sufficient?

I would strongly recommend MVEC and EXCEL putting their distribution lines on the same poles, No separate lines across the road!

Some of the core values that I have used throughout my career:

Honesty.

Respect.

Transparency!

I do not feel that GRE has been transparent.

They need to go door knocking, if they would do this on the Kelly Avenue Route, they would find that people are willing to have the power line on the Kelly Route, as to the GRE's Proposed Preferred Route!

Face to Face is always better than putting people in nervous situations in front of others in large meetings!

Community values!

In GRE was looking at what is best for the Community or what's easiest for them?

If I would have been on this design team I would have looked at locating the Future Laketown sub on the north west corner of Augueta rd and Juniper ave and then running underground distribution 1000mcm or 750 mcm conductors to their desired locations or at least have priced it out?

Too late miles of transmission line.

The location they have chosen is going to be on very desirable land in the future, put it out of sight out of mind!

Common sense!

The shortest route for any project and least expensive and least intrusive only makes sense to anyone looking from the outside in!

Thank you for reading my thoughts!

Respectfully yours

Jack Worm

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