

# **Attachment C**

Affidavit of Tim Langdon

Landowner at 5802 Highway 19, Cannon Falls

**STATE OF MINNESOTA  
BEFORE THE  
MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**Beverly Heydinger  
J. Dennis O'Brien  
David C. Boyd  
Phyhs A. Reha  
Betsy Wergin**

**Chair  
Commissioner  
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**In the Matter of Application for a Route Permit  
for the CapX 2020 Hampton-Rochester-LaCrosse  
High Voltage Transmission Project**

**MPUC: E002/TL-09-1448**

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**MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION**

**SUPPORTING LANDOWNER AFFIDAVIT**

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STATE OF MINNESOTA    )  
                                      ) ss.  
COUNTY OF GOODHUE    )

I, Tim Langdon, states and deposes as follows:

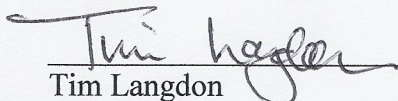
1.     My name is Tim Langdon and my wife Jennifer Langdon and I own property at 5802 Hwy 19/, Cannon Falls, Minnesota, 55009.
2.     My family is potentially affected by the CapX 2020 Hampton-Rochester-La Crosse transmission line. We have lived here for 10 years we have 4 children who play in the yard with 4 other neighbor kids along with many of their 10 year old friends. They play in a tree house that would be directly in the path of the power line.
3.     The line would cross over my property and as it appears on the map the easement could be within 30' of my house. This would be an extreme hardship for us because we have spent the last 4 years remodeling our house. We tore the interior walls down to the stud walls, ran new wiring, insulation, sheet rock, windows, heat, new doors and windows trim, new kitchen, new hardwood floors, new carpet, new siding and rock, new roof, new roof line, basically this is a new house. I have over 3000 hours of my own time invested in this property and over \$150,000 committed. The financial



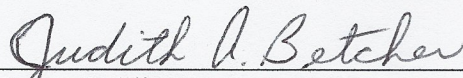
impact of this line would set our financial goals back 10 to 20 years, this would be impossible to overcome at our age. At this time, we are contemplating the "Buy the Farm" option so that the utility would have to buy out our interest in our property and we could get out from under the line.

4. I did not receive proper notice of the very late addition of a potential route that affected my property. I receive a telephone call from Tom Hillstrom, according to their records, Hearing Exhibit 96, it was June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7 days after the public hearing. During this conversation, Mr Hillstrom, told me "not worry because it was not a route option that Xcel was interested in."
5. I also went to a Public Hearing in Cannon Falls and did not give my comments due to not having enough time to fully comprehend the situation. They are proposing a new route that does not have any existing infrastructure. Had I had enough time to prepare, I would have informed the ALJ of the flight path of the helicopter servicing the Hospital. If a 170' tower was constructed in this path I would estimate a helicopter landing would come within 100' of this line and from what I have witnessed that distance would be significantly reduced during takeoff. This I think is of great concern as this flight path passes directly over a school. What also compounds the problem is the Cannon River is within a 1000' and in certain conditions the fog generated from this river reduces visibility to less than 100 feet. I would have also discussed how the agriculture community we live in, along with the close proximity of the Cannon River are prime ingredients that would increase the risk of an affect known as Corona. Corona is when dust settles on the insulators and moisture solidifies the dust. This then interferes with TV, and Radio signals, which could have deadly consequences for a school relying on these devices during, serve weather.

Further your affiant sayeth naught.

  
Tim Langdon

Signed and sworn to before me this  
18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012.

  
Notary Public

