



Township of Byram
10 Mansfield Drive
Stanhope, NJ 07874

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Dear Township of Byram

Last year, PSE&G announced plans for an important electric reliability project. As a property owner along the selected route for this project, we would like to provide you with more information about how this route was selected and the next steps in the project.

The Susquehanna-Roseland project is a 500,000-volt transmission line that will be built between Pennsylvania and New Jersey. PSE&G is partnering with PPL Electric Utilities (PPL) in Allentown, PA to construct the line. PSE&G will build the New Jersey portion of the line and PPL will build the Pennsylvania portion. The Susquehanna-Roseland project has been mandated by the PJM Interconnection, the regional entity responsible for planning the transmission system. This project will help to ensure that safe, reliable power continues to flow into New Jersey for the benefit of all utility customers in our region.

On June 5, 2008, PSE&G and PPL announced three possible routes for the new Susquehanna-Roseland power line. PSE&G held public workshops in the three affected counties to collect public input. An experienced New Jersey-based siting contractor performed a detailed analysis of the three routes, considering factors such as impacts on property owners, environmental concerns, economics, reliability and public input.

After careful evaluation, PSE&G and PPL have selected Route B, which is an existing transmission line in New Jersey, for this important reliability investment. Route B begins in Hardwick Township, Warren County, and proceeds east to Andover Township, Sussex County, and on to Jefferson Township, Morris County. The route continues east to Montville Township and turns south to Roseland Borough, Essex County. The municipalities along the route are: Andover Township, Boonton Township, Byram Township, East Hanover Township, Fredon Township, Hardwick Township, Jefferson Township, Kinnelon Borough, Montville Township, Newton Township, Parsippany-Troy Hills Township, Rockaway Township, Roseland Borough, Sparta Township and Stillwater Township.

PSE&G has determined that Route B is the best choice for this project because of the following factors:

- This route would be constructed entirely within an existing 230,000-volt (230kV) transmission right-of-way, which already contains transmission structures and wires, for its entire length in New Jersey. This minimizes the impact to the environment, requiring no construction on virgin right-of-way and minimal clearing of vegetation.
- This route crosses the least amount of wooded wetlands and forested lands, and has the least potential to permanently alter these important habitats.
- This route has the least impact on aesthetics where the line will be built and provides the least environmental, engineering and construction challenges.

PSE&G personnel are developing engineering design plans to support the required federal, state and municipal permitting requirements. Once the engineering plans have been developed, PSE&G will contact municipal officials and property owners to provide information pertaining to potential project impacts and to discuss the concerns associated with those impacts. PSE&G will notify you as the project develops and provide as much information to you and your local representatives as possible.

PSE&G has more than a century of experience in building and maintaining power lines that provide safe, reliable, low-cost and clean electricity to New Jersey residents. We are committed to building the Susquehanna-Roseland transmission line according to all safety and environmental standards, while being sensitive to the needs and concerns of those along the route.

Please visit the project Web site -- reliabilityproject.pseg.com -- to learn more about the project, sign up to receive project updates (via the "Contact Us" button) and to offer your feedback.

If you have any questions or become aware of concerns in your community about this project, please call me at 973-365-6999.

Sincerely,



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