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**January 2015 Open House Questionnaire
Tuco-Yoakum-Hobbs 345 kV Transmission Line**

Welcome and thank you for taking the time to attend this public open-house meeting for the proposed Tuco-Yoakum-Hobbs 345 kV transmission line project. The purpose of this open-house is to present information, receive your ideas and concerns, and answer your questions about the project. Before Xcel Energy, Inc. (Xcel Energy) and their routing consultant (POWER Engineers, Inc.) make any final decisions concerning which potential routes will be filed for consideration by the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission, and which transmission structure type to select, we want to hear your opinion.

We welcome your comments on the Tuco-Yoakum-Hobbs 345 kV transmission line project. Please take a few minutes to answer the following questions. To ensure that your comments will be incorporated into the analysis of alternatives, please return this form at the open-house or not later than February 15, 2015 to the following address: PO Box 4144, Waterloo, Iowa 50704. You may also submit your comments by email to Ed.Trapp@contractlandstaff.com. To find more information, we encourage you to visit the project website, <http://www.powerfortheplains.com/projects>.

1. Which public open-house meeting did you attend?

Hobbs, NM, Jan. 6, Yes ____ No ____, Denver City, Jan 8, Yes ____ No ____

Brownfield, Jan. 13, Yes ____ No ____, Lubbock, Jan. 15, Yes ____ No ____

2. In your opinion, has the purpose for the project been adequately explained?

Yes ____ No ____

3. How could we have improved on this effort? Was there something that did you not understand?

4. Do you believe the public open-house format and the information that was provided were helpful for your understanding of the project?

Open-house Format Yes ____ No ____

Information Provided Yes ____ No ____

5. As explained at one of the stations of the open-house, the routing of a transmission line involves many considerations. Please circle the number corresponding to the level of importance that each specific factor in the routing of the transmission line is to you.

FACTORS

RATINGS

	Not Important	-----	Somewhat Important	-----	Very Important
a) Maximize distance from residences	1	2	3	4	5
b) Maximize distance from businesses	1	2	3	4	5
c) Maximize distance from public facilities (e.g., parks & schools)	1	2	3	4	5
d) Maximize length along existing transmission lines	1	2	3	4	5
e) Maximize length along highways or other roads	1	2	3	4	5
f) Maximize length along property boundary lines	1	2	3	4	5
g) Maintain reliable electric service	1	2	3	4	5
h) Minimize length through wetlands/floodplains	1	2	3	4	5
i) Minimize crossing and paralleling of streams/ rivers	1	2	3	4	5
k) Minimize length across cropland	1	2	3	4	5
l) Minimize loss of trees	1	2	3	4	5
m) Minimize visibility of the line	1	2	3	4	5
n) Minimize total length of line (reduces cost of line)	1	2	3	4	5
o) Minimize length through grassland or pasture	1	2	3	4	5
p) Maximize length through undeveloped land	1	2	3	4	5
q) Minimize impacts to archaeological and historic sites	1	2	3	4	5

6. If you wish to comment on the factors listed in the previous question, or add any factors that you think should be considered, please use the space below and the back of the questionnaire, if necessary.

7. If there are any other features in the study area that you feel are important, please describe the locations and/or mark them on the study area maps attached.

8. If you have a concern with a particular transmission line segment shown on the displays and the attached maps, please indicate the segment (by segment designation) and describe your concern.

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9. Which of the following applies to your situation?

☐ Potential segment is near my home

☐ Potential segment is near my business

☐ Potential segment crosses my land

☐ Other (please specify)

Please provide any additional comments below:

We would appreciate having your contact information below, however, it is optional.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS!

Mail comments to – P.O. Box 4144 – Waterloo, Iowa 50704 or
Email to Ed.Trapp@contractlandstaff.com