

## Jefferson-Martin Transmission Project

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**From:** MaryJeanK88@aol.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 23, 2003 5:12 PM  
**To:** jeffmartin@aspenEG.com  
**Subject:** 280CCC response

I am a home owner who lives in Hillsborough along highway 280 with my family.

I have many concerns about the proposal to build new power lines on the eastside of 280 in my neighborhood. I understand that there is growing need for electricity everywhere as cities and neighborhoods grow in size and in population. My main concern is with the situations that will cause harm to my and my family's health when the new power lines are inplace.

My suggestion is to create more local electricity generation within the cities where the electricity is needed. There have been reports about how much electricity will be lost while the electrons are moving along the wires from Hillsborough to San Francisco. It just does not make sense to build these new power lines and then to lose most of the electricity that the plants are trying to produce. I believe that the proposal will be inefficient and waste a lot of money and energy.

I also agree with the argument that moving the power liens west of 280 will damage and harm the environment and natural habits. The question that arose in my mind was this: If building the power lines on the west side of 280 damaging the enviornment, isn't building power lines on the east side of 280 also damaging the environment (i.e out living environment). If this is the case, then, again, I urge you to create more local power production.

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From: Stan Lew [sayiew@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Sunday, February 23, 2003 4:52 PM  
To: jeffmartin@aspeneq.com  
Subject: Proposed Jefferson-Martin 230 kV Transmission Line Project

As concerned citizens of the San Mateo Highlands, we wish to add our opposition to the proposed Jefferson-Martin 230 kV Transmission Line Project. We are particularly concerned that this project would create additional health problems for the residents of this area due to increased Electric and Magnetic Field emissions.

Other concerns include the negative impact on property values, aesthetics, noise pollution, etc.

We strongly urge the CPUC to give serious consideration to viable alternatives such as local generation in San Francisco, alternative routes, undergrounding the lines, etc.

Respectfully,

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**From:** whmahkey [whmahkey@prodigy.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 23, 2003 1:16 PM  
**To:** Jeffmartin@aspeneq.com  
**Subject:** PG&E Power Tower Project

1. Why at this time does PG&E need an increase in power of an added four time the supply to a given area that is supplied with 60kva? We all know that we must reduce the use of electrical power because of source of supply with no known source of renewable in sight!!
2. FACT! PG&E has been unable to operate the current system to comply with current FCC, Federal Communications Commission, regulations to date! Causing undo radio and video interference over a number of years.

A. Line loss and EMF will be raised 5 fold adding to what is already causing interference to miles of home and business owners let alone the home owners with-in a few feet of the lines. They also will be placed close, with-in 10 to 20 feet of natural gas pipe supply lines above and below ground which if broken could cause unknown damage for miles around.

3. The danger of added height to the steel towers due to earthquake and at this time sabotage damage could cause towers to fall on property in many places!

4. Property values will fall for the above reasons plus the aesthetics, this is a positive statement.

IF, it is found that there is a need for this much power to be transported to the given area, which I doubt, move the lines to the WEST at least 1/4 mile or more even if they are placed under ground!!!

SIGNED BY HOME OWNER,

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**From:** Noreen Hui [noreenhui@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2003 9:36 AM  
**To:** jeffmartin@aspenEG.com  
**Subject:** Jefferson-Marin 230K V Transmission line

To whom it may concern:

I am extremely concerned about the increase in the kilovolts in the transmission lines behind Lexington Ave. homes and one block from my son's school (Highlands School). I am mainly concerned about the potential health risks this project poses (brain cancer, childhood leukemia, birth defects etc.).

Please do not expose our children to these electromagnetic fields. Please relocate your project away from residential areas and away from schools.

Thank you.

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**From:** marco wise [marco\_wise@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2003 5:44 PM  
**To:** jeffmartin@aspeneg.com  
**Cc:** pak@houzen.com  
**Subject:** Proposed Jefferson-Martin 230 kV Transmission Line Project

We live at 1491 Laurel Hill Drive, San Mateo, CA 94402 (650 341 5683).

We've learned that PG&E's is proposing to replace the current power towers with larger ones carrying four times more electricity as the current ones. We are very concerned about the environmental impact these towers will have on our neighborhood.

We are concerned about the possibility of increased risk from EMF emissions, the health concerns associated with them, the negative impact on property value and the beauty of the area. We ask that you consider placing the power lines underground where they would not be seen, heard or felt. We also believe this is what should have been done in the first place. Why not do it right this time?

Thank you,

Pak Ho and household

February 20, 2003  
California Public Utilities Commission  
RE: Scoping Comments on the Proposed Jefferson-Martin 230 kV Transmission Line Project  
Attention: Billie Blanchard  
c/o Aspen Environmental Group  
235 Montgomery Street, Suite 800  
San Francisco, CA 94104

Dear Sirs:

We are residents of the San Mateo Highlands Community, one of the areas in which the proposed Jefferson-Martin 230 kV Transmission Line Project is expected to be installed. We are writing to indicate to you that we do not support the plan as it is currently envisioned.

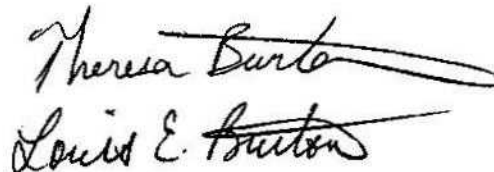
There are many reasons why we believe a more thorough consideration of this plan is merited:

- At the moment, we have 60 kV transmission lines already in close location to our home and can readily see these power towers and lines from our front door, daily. Further, we can attest that when the fog rolls in, the electrical buzz or minor arcing from these structures increases – no doubt this would be further enhanced for lines carrying greater power levels.
- While we recognize that definitive evidence of the health effects of EMF emissions on local inhabitants' health (both long and short term), we believe that recent NIH studies indicating a potential health risk should take precedence over any implied lack of information.
- Likewise, the close proximity of EMF emissions to anyone's home could interfere with selected electronic equipment such as communication or computing devices.
- The aesthetics of our living environment has already been impacted by the aforementioned 60 kV lines. Adding or replacing the current system with larger, taller devices would only decrease this aspect of our home. Economically, the potential for negative impact on our property can also not be ignored. The need for heavy construction in order to carry out such a plan, will have short term noise and dust damage impact. In addition, a longer term effect on the protected wildlife area through which the towers currently run, will be a slow recovery from the mechanical impact of construction, if the area ever really does recover.
- Finally, given the several alternative options to the current plan that we are aware of, it seems more than reasonable to give these due consideration or explain completely to the affected population, why the current plan is superior. The ability to install underground as well as away from the currently populated area surely deserves more (or a first) consideration as an alternative solution.

As residents of one of the potentially affected areas, we do not want to see further disruption to and added risk to, our home living environment unnecessarily. We ask that you seriously reconsider your current plans and seek a much more viable, all-around solution to increase power transmission, IF it is indeed required.

Sincerely,

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