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Dan B. Bell, Medical Director

To: Arkansas Public Service Commission

On 4/30/13 The Board of Directors of ECHO (Eureka Christian Health Outreach) voted unanimously to oppose SWEPCO's plan to run High Voltage Power lines through the Heart of the Ozarks. It is opposed on the following grounds:

- 1. There is no clear need for additional transmission capacity in our area.
- 2. Each of the selected route options will scar forever one of the most beautiful part of the Ozarks, along the shores of the White River.
- 3. Substantial health risks are possible with these High Voltage lines.
- 4. Tourism, our only local economy, would be adversely impacted.
- 5. Wild life and the environment will be adversely impacted.
- 6. Other technologies, such as underground lines, are now feasible that should be considered.

We request that the proposed project by SWEPCO be cancelled. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Suzie Bell

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