



VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY
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From: David Johnson, Village Manager

Re: ICC Approves Final Ruling on Power Lines

Date: October 8, 2008

Information

HUNTLEY, IL – During an October 8, 2008 Bench Session the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) unanimously approved ComEd’s application to construct power lines through the heart of Huntley’s planning jurisdiction. Village representatives and residents spoke in opposition to ComEd’s application at the hearing. In his comments to the Commission, Village Manager David Johnson argued that ComEd’s route “imposes an unnecessary and unwarranted burden on the Village of Huntley, in particular, our families in Wing Pointe.”

In May 2007 ComEd filed an application with the ICC for a Public Convenience and Necessity Certificate to construct, operate and maintain a 138,000-volt electric transmission line that will run through McHenry and Kane Counties. ComEd plans to construct nearly 12 miles of power lines along the south side of Interstate 90 before turning north in Rutland Township and eventually turning east along Kreutzer Road.

After the meeting Huntley Mayor Chuck Sass expressed the Village’s disappointment in the decision. Sass said, “The Village Board maintains its unanimous opposition to ComEd’s route. We hired utility experts that identified a superior cost efficient route with significantly less impact on occupied homes, and we worked hard to communicate the many regional advantages of our route to the ICC.” Village officials are reviewing the ICC’s decision.

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