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## Media Inquiry—China and 765kV Line

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Hi Robert,

State law requires the Public Utility Commission of Texas to consider the following factors when evaluating an application for a new transmission line:

- whether the facilities are necessary for the service, accommodation, convenience, or safety of the public
  - the adequacy of existing service;
  - the need for additional service;
  - the effect of granting the certificate on the recipient of the certificate and any electric utility serving the proximate area
  - other factors, such as:
    - community values;
    - recreational and park areas;
    - historical and aesthetic values;
    - environmental integrity;
    - the probable improvement of service or lowering of cost to consumers in the area if the certificate is granted;
    - the need for extending transmission service where existing or projected electrical loads will be underserved;
    - engineering constraints;
    - costs;
    - to the extent reasonable, whether the impact of the line on affected community and landowners can be moderated;
    - whether the routes parallel or utilize existing compatible rights-of-way (ROW) for electric facilities;
    - whether the routes parallel or utilize other existing compatible ROW, including roads, highways, railroads, or telephone utility ROW
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- whether the routes parallel property lines or other natural or cultural features
- whether the routes conform with the policy of prudent avoidance

Thanks,

Ellie

**Ellie Breed**

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