

July 10, 2019

Re: Okatie - Bluffton 115 kV Tie Siting Study

Dear Area Property Owners and Residents:

I hope you were able to participate in the community workshop conducted by Dominion Energy on March 21, 2019 regarding the addition of a new 115,000-volt (115 kV) line that will be required to tie Dominion Energy's electrical grid to the Santee Cooper electrical grid in the Bluffton area. Since the workshop, information received from interested parties in the siting study area has been compiled, analyzed, and combined with an array of environmental, cultural resources, scenic resources, and land use data gained from various sources, including extensive field studies in the project vicinity. The combined data has allowed the development of a map identifying a network of route segments that can be connected in various ways to form seven (7) alternate route corridors between Dominion Energy's Bluffton Substation on Burnt Church Road and the Santee Cooper substation located near Bluffton Parkway. A map showing the siting study area and the locations of the alternate route corridors is printed on the reverse side of this letter.

You are invited to continue your participation in the line siting effort by attending a second community workshop on **Wednesday**, **July 24**, **2019** where you will be able to closely examine the alternate route corridors. Any substantive information you provide about any of them will be considered as they are carefully evaluated prior to the selection of the final corridor. This open-house style workshop will be held at the following location:

Bluffton Branch Library 120 Palmetto Way Bluffton, SC 29910

The workshop will be informal, and you may drop by anytime between 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. The Dominion Energy siting team will be available to answer questions you may have and to document any substantive information you provide. The alternate route corridors will be evaluated within a reasonable period of time following this workshop, and one of them will be selected as the route for the future 115 kV tie line. Soon thereafter, you will be notified of its location.

We look forward to seeing you at the workshop on July 24th. If you have any questions in the meantime, feel free to visit us online at <u>www.sceg.com/about-us/electric-transmission-projects</u> where you will find more information.

Sincerely,

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