

March 2, 2017

Max Karker 3542 East Sparling Road Kingsley, MI 49649

RE: Proposed construction of a wooden fence within an Electric Transmission

Easement Strip in Section 15, T25N, R10W, Paradise Township, Grand

Traverse County, Michigan

Dear Mr. Max Karker:

I am writing in response to your recent inquiry for permission to **install a wooden fence** within the International Transmission Company's ("ITC's") electric transmission easement, as operated under ITC's Michigan Electric Transmission Company, the said land is located in Section15, Paradise Township, Grand Traverse County, Michigan. Landowners may use or allow others to use ITC's easement strip in any manner that does not unreasonably interfere with the exercise of ITC's easement rights.

It is our understanding that what you are proposing to build will be (the "Project") within METC's easement strip. Based on our review of your construction plan from your Exhibit A, ITC would not consider the Project to unreasonably interfere with the exercise of its easement rights, provided that the Project is located so that it does not now or hereafter 1) violate any provision of the National Electric Safety Code ("NESC"), including without limitation, the NESC clearance requirements; 2) block access to ITC's electric transmission structures by ITC's vehicles and equipment for purposes of exercising ITC's easement rights; and 3) preclude the construction of such additional electric transmission lines within the easement strip as ITC may, in its discretion, deem necessary or desirable, and further provided that the work necessary to complete the Project is completed in accordance with the requirements of the attached Exhibit A and Exhibit B Drawings as submitted.

ITC's sole purpose in reviewing the Project has been to determine whether it unreasonably interferes with ITC's easement. ITC has not and will not make any review of the Project to identify actual or potential safety hazards to persons or property. During the planning, design and construction of the Project, it is the sole responsibility of you and/or your contractor to identify and manage ALL safety issues, and to observe ALL applicable workplace and other relevant safety regulations. ITC makes no representation as to safety, and expressly disclaims all liability in any way related to the location of the proposed Project in its easement strip.

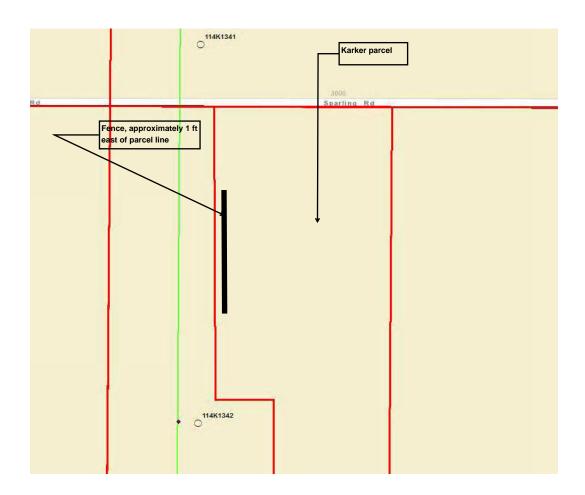
This letter should not be interpreted to limit or modify ITC's easement in any way, nor should it be interpreted to limit or modify such rights or interests as ITC or that you may have by virtue of the easement. ITC expressly reserves the right to use its easement strip for all purposes indicated in its easement, including but not limited to the construction, operation, and maintenance of utility facilities and the trimming and removal of trees. Without limiting the foregoing, ITC's use of the easement strip shall not be unreasonably restricted, limited, conditioned, or interfered with as a result of the Project. Should you have additional questions regarding ITC's easement or the information in this letter, please contact me at 248-946-3767.

Sincerely,

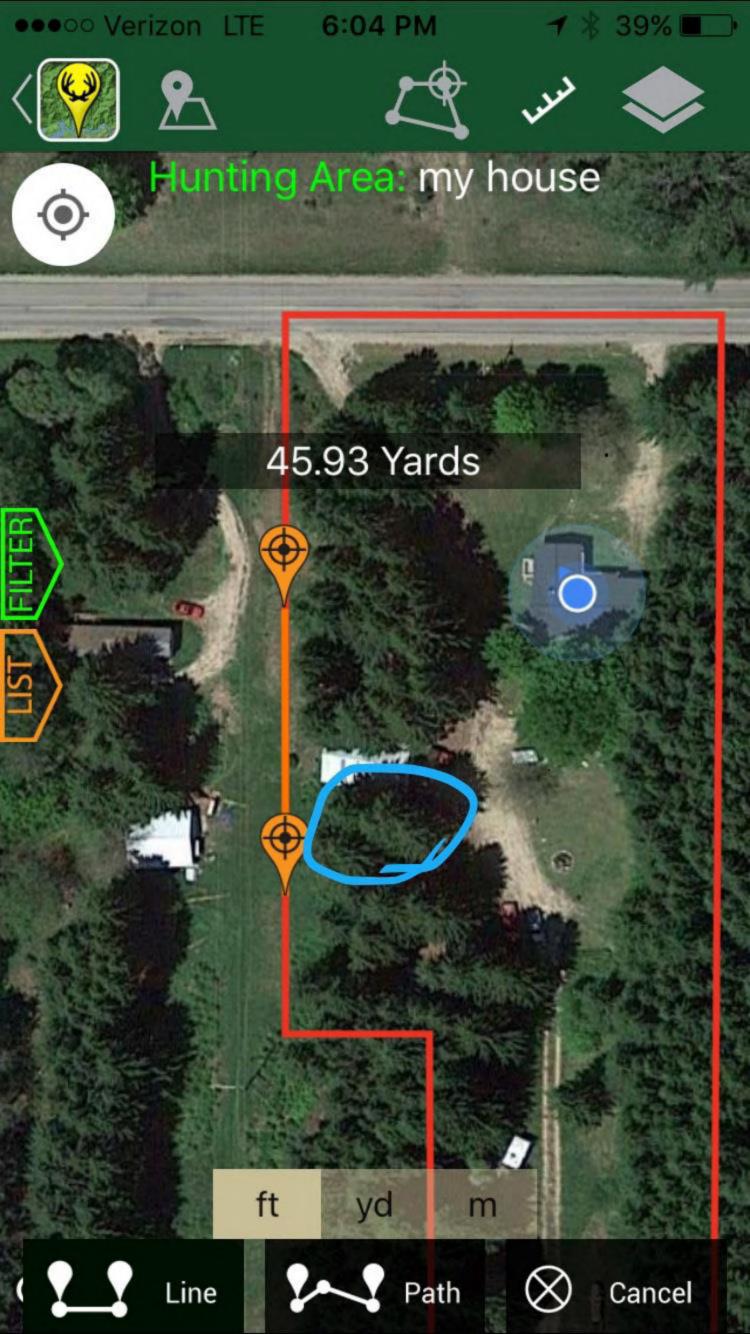
Steven J. Cooper Real Estate Manager – Michigan Operations ITC Holdings Corp.

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## **Exhibit A**





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To: Steve Cooper, Real Estate ITC Holdings Corp

From: Gordie Halt, Asset Management ITC Holdings Corp

Subject: Non-interference Request EEGT0174861

The Technical Solutions group has reviewed this request and calculates no concerns with induced voltages or space potential effects for the proposed design and location. Proper and safe practices must be followed and clearances maintained to keep personnel safe during the construction and operation of facilities adjacent to these ITC transmission lines.

Signed,

Gordon Halt



Date: March 1, 2017

To: Steve Cooper

Real Estate and Rights of Way

**ITC Holdings Corp** 

From: Jessie Gruca

Line Maintenance Engineer, Asset Management

**ITC Holdings Corp** 

Subject: Real Estate Request EEGT0174861

Non-Interference Request

The Asset Management group has reviewed the request from Max Karker seeking to install a 7.5 foot high wooden fence, running parallel to ITC line. The fence would run for approximately 120 feet, placed within 1 foot of ITC's property line in order to create some privacy. This will not interfere with the overhead line maintenance crews' ability to construct, inspect, maintain, repair, and operate any work on the structures or conductors.

This request is approved.

Jessie B. Gruca, P.E.

Line Maintenance Engineer



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Thu 3/2/2017 3:09 PM

Welch, Clayton

RE: Non-Interference Request: Karker - EEGT0174861

To Cooper, Steven; Halt, Gordie; Keeler, Erin; Gruca, Jessica

Hey Steve

Sorry I just got to this. Planning has no plans at this time which concerns the Keystone – Wexford line at this time. So we approve.

Clayton Welch Planning Engineer, Sr Desk: (248) 946-3342 Cell: (734) 625-7610 ITC Holdings Corp. 27175 Energy Way Novi, MI

From: Cooper, Steven

Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 4:34 PM

To: Halt, Gordie; Keeler, Erin; Gruca, Jessica; Welch, Clayton Subject: RE: Non-Interference Request: Karker - EEGT0174861

Gordie,

My apologies, some of my original information was supposed to have been in the PDF that I sent to you. I am updating the PDF for your consideration.

Here is my answer to your questions:

- The fence would be 30 feet to the centerline, approximately 23 feet to the eastern wire (measured on Google Earth).
- 2. All fence materials are wood. The posts are 4x4 posts, cemented into the ground at 6ft intervals.
- 3. The 120 feet, is estimated. It would appear that his proposed fence would run 138 feet (45.93 yards).

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RE: Non-Interference Request: Karker - EEGT0174861

To Cooper, Steven; Halt, Gordie; Gruca, Jessica; Welch, Clayton

Cc DuPree, Ashley

You replied to this message on 3/2/2017 2:00 PM.

Steve,

Design engineering approves this installation.

However, I do have a couple questions:

Why we did not follow the normal process with this request? Consumers is a very process driven company and they hold us to following established processes and procedures during our interactions with them. What was their reasoning for needing to deviate from the normal practice on this request and is there a certain reason we agreed to accommodate it? They have not been very lenient with ITC when we've asked to deviate from process in the past.

Thanks,

-Erin

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