


**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (CPUC)**
**Scoping Comments**
**Proposed Jefferson-Martin 230 kV Transmission Line Project**
**Wednesday, January 29, 2003**
**Name\*:** Hugo Miranda
**Affiliation (if any):\*** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:\*** 1251 Laurel Hill Dr.
**City, State, Zip Code:\*** San Mateo, Ca. 94402
**Telephone Number:\*** (650) 573 1242
**Email:\*** \_\_\_\_\_

I strongly oppose to PG & E project because, like many others residents, my concerns are:

- a) Negative impact on aesthetics
- b) Negative impact on property values.
- c) Negative impact on health

Best solution for PG & E project is to go underground.

*\*Please print. Your name, address, and comments become public information and may be released to interested parties if requested.*

Please either deposit this sheet at the sign-in table before you leave today, or fold, stamp, and mail. Insert additional sheets if needed. Comments must be received by February 27, 2003. Comments may also be faxed to the project hotline at (650) 240-1720 or emailed to [jeffmartin@aspenerg.com](mailto:jeffmartin@aspenerg.com).



# CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (CPUC)

## Scoping Comments

Proposed Jefferson-Martin 230 kV Transmission Line Project

Wednesday, January 29, 2003

Name\*: Dennis Tom MD

Affiliation (if any)\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Address\*: 379 Barbara Way

City, State, Zip Code\*: Hillsborough, CA 94010

Telephone Number\*: 650-742-2490

Email\*: dennis.Tom@kp.org

Please consider the following alternative route from Jefferson <sup>substation</sup> → San Bruno (I heard someone mention this idea at the scoping mtg). It would address many of the concerns about EMF exposure/neighborhood values/environment/habitat. PGE might benefit too (↓ expense, community recognition). Sierra Pacific has done undergrounding of overhead wires under a CPUC program for years. \* Jefferson substation → underground along Canada Rd to Edgewood Rd. Then underground combined 60kV/230kV lines parallel <sup>(alongside)</sup> and adjacent to current towers to MP4. Lines would then somehow need to cross over 280/92 junction (? underground or overhead across freeways). From MP5 → Hillsdale substation continue underground alongside current towers. Lines would then run overhead across Crystal Springs Road to MP7 in Hillsborough (this would avoid undergrounding at <sup>San Mateo Creek/</sup> Crystal Springs ~~Creek/Dam~~ areas). MP7-MP9 continue underground to Carrolands substation → begin overhead directly across to West side of 280 along existing rights of way/access roads all the way to MP15 (San Bruno) / keep lines on West side of 280 btwn MP10-MP11. Effects of undergrounding on Watershed lands (eg serpentine grass) would be offset by removal of current towers MP1 → MP9/Cambria and planting of new native flora. It would be a great way to return the watershed <sup>(also protects endangered bird spp.)</sup> to its natural beauty. Thanks for your consideration.

\*Please print. Your name, address, and comments become public information and may be released to interested parties if requested.

Please either deposit this sheet at the sign-in table before you leave today, or fold, stamp, and mail. Insert additional sheets if needed. Comments must be received by February 27, 2003. Comments may also be faxed to the project hotline at (650) 240-1720 or emailed to joffmartin@aspenerg.com.

## Jefferson-Martin Transmission Project

---

From: Joanne Hong [gnibho2@mindspring.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2003 9:22 AM  
To: Jeffmartin@aspeneq.com  
Subject: Proposed Jefferson Martin 230kV transmission project.

Dear Mr. Martin,

I am a long time resident of Hillsborough and I am opposed to the proposed Jefferson Martin 230kV transmission project.

I am extremely concerned about the health issues from increased Electric and Magnetic Field (EMF) emissions from the proposed project being in such close proximity to our homes and schools where people live, work and play. Most recent studies by the California Health Department show exposure to EMF's resulted in higher incidence of childhood leukemia, brain tumors, and miscarriages.

I am concerned about the negative impact on aesthetics and the quality of life of our community. The bigger, wider towers and noisy current will certainly decrease the quality and attractiveness of our town.

I object to the negative impact on the town's property value and tax base. According to real estate sources, the proposed project will certainly decrease property values significantly in areas adjacent to the project, thereby, lowering the property value and tax base of the entire town.

I support the Town of Hillsborough efforts to have the proposed 230kV lines installed underground, and at the same time install the current 60kV lines underground, and/or evaluate whether this project is needed at all. Undergrounding and proper shielding of the lines eliminates the above concerns and seems to be the most prudent option for all concerned.

I believe it is the CPUC's job is to protect the public. Placing this proposed 400,000 watt transmission line so close to homes and schools certainly does not protect our community and its citizens, in fact it seems very irresponsible. In addition, the transmission project only serves the interests of San Francisco and PG&E, while the residents of Hillsborough, San Mateo and Burlingame suffer short term as well as long term consequences.

Please evaluate carefully all the ramifications that this kind of action would have and consider carefully that there are alternatives available that would accomplish CPUC's goals as well as protect the welfare of California's most valuable resource---people!!!

Sincerely,

Joanne Hong

## Jefferson-Martin Transmission Project

---

From: Teresa Tom [Teresa\_Tom@gap.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2003 5:07 PM  
To: jeffmartin@aspeneq.com  
Subject: CPUC-Proposed Jefferson-Martin 230 kv Transmission Line - Scoping Comments

### CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (CPUC) SCOPING COMMENTS

#### Proposed Jefferson-Martin 230 kv Transmission Line Project

Name: Teresa Tom  
Affiliation: Area home owner  
Address: 1832 Black Mountain Road  
City., State, Zip Code: 94010  
Telephone Number: (650) 347-3867  
Email: Teresa\_Tom@gap.com

Health issues form increased Electric and Magnetic Field (EMF) emissions so close to my home and families, especially for my elderly mother.

A negative impact on aesthetics from the visibility of bigger, wider towers and noisier current, impacting the views, both from my home and from within the neighborhood.

Increased risk of lightning striking the higher towers  
A potentially significant negative impact on property value from safety and health concerns about more EMF emissions and aesthetics.

A long construction period involving loud, heavy equipment such as helicopters and earthmovers, and possible blasting.

It seems it would be better on many levels to choose an alternate path, preferably west of the Crystal Springs Reservoir, where the project will not disrupt an existing neighborhood. Please let me know if I can provide further information.

Teresa Tom