

November 19, 2007

The Honorable Corey A. Stewart
Chairman, Board of Supervisors
County of Prince William
1 County Complex Court
Prince William, VA 22192

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I write to you as the Executive Director of Virginia's Commitment, a not-for-profit coalition of concerned citizens, homeowners, landowners, consumers and business people which seeks 21st century approaches to promote Virginia's growth and prosperity.

Virginia's Commitment is respectfully requesting a thorough and fair review and a sound decision by the State Corporation Commission in deciding the request by Dominion/TrAILCo to construct 150-foot high, 500 kV power lines through an 81-mile corridor that will spoil miles of beautiful landscape, historic resources and could harm our environment, with the end point terminating in Prince William and Loudoun Counties.

Virginia's Commitment is encouraged by the article in the Monday, November 19, 2007 edition of the *Potomac News* stating that the Prince William County Board of Supervisors is deciding whether to have the county attorney's office ask the SCC to study the possibility of putting the Meadow Brook-Loudoun power line underground.

We applaud this consideration by the Board. Virginia's Commitment stands ready to provide the county staff with counsel and technical assistance on questions concerning the transmission line proposal that goes beyond the scare tactics being used by Dominion.

Virginia's Commitment is represented by one of the nation's foremost environmental lawyers, Michael Gerrard, of the New York law firm, Arnold and Porter, and Dr. Ren Orans, founder of the consulting firm, Economics and Environmental Energy (E-3), based in California. Dr. Orans is a nationally recognized expert in the fields of electricity pricing, integrated resource planning and regulatory theory and finance. He is a leading expert on transmission pricing, small-scale generation demand side management and utility transmission and distribution systems.

While Virginia's Commitment is dedicated to promoting a 21st century approach to providing reliable energy sources for Northern Virginia's thriving economy, we feel it must be tempered by a balanced approach that enhances property values and protects the county's important scenic and historic resources.

We look forward to being of assistance and responding promptly to any technical assistance needs you or your staff may have.

Sincerely,

David Jeffers
Executive Director

