



Salem-Hazleton TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

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Salem-Hazleton Construction Proceeding; Work Underway in Dubuque County

Dear Neighbors:

The hot, dry summer has allowed construction to proceed on schedule on the Salem-Hazleton line. Crews have installed 343 of the 592 structures that will be built for the line. Approximately 27 miles of the 81 miles of line are complete, with structures in place and conductor and static wire (the wire that helps protect against lightning impact on the line) strung in those sections.

Work is currently focused on the segments of the line located in Dubuque County. Crews in July and August built structures on line segments LS2, LS4 and LS5, as referenced on the map at right. Line work is moving into section LS3 and crews are beginning to pour structure foundations for segment LS1.

The crews from ITC Midwest's construction contractor, MJ Electric, continue to take great care to minimize the impact on the land as they work. We continue to appreciate your patience and support as we make progress on construction. Please remember that ITC Midwest will be following up with landowners after construction to reconcile crop losses or other property damages, including damages to fences.

Resolution of Court Case – The other major development for the Salem-Hazleton project occurred July 20, when the Dubuque County District Court affirmed the 2011 decision by the Iowa Utilities Board approving the project and granting the right of eminent domain on the 11 parcels of land for which owners were not willing to grant voluntary easements. In making the decision, the judge also lifted the attendant stay of proceedings that had halted construction on the land owned by the landowners who filed suit. The company and some of the landowners have since come to an agreement for voluntary easements on their property.



For those who chose not to sign voluntary easements, the Dubuque County compensation committee convened to determine the amount of payment for the individual landowners, based on the easements approved by the Iowa Utilities Board and recent land values in the county. At this time, all of the easements on the line route have been finalized and ITC Midwest is proceeding with construction.

The end result of this process is that work will be able to proceed along the entire length of the Salem-Hazleton line. This final step is allowing ITC Midwest to make progress in our effort to complete the project and energize the line by mid-2013.

Keeping you informed – Crews will continue to take advantage of the favorable construction weather to make progress this fall. Thank you for your ongoing support and interest in this project. If you have any questions about our work or the line status, please contact a representative from ITC Midwest or JCG Land and we will be happy to get your questions answered. ■

Sincerely,

Doug Collins
President, ITC Midwest



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ITC Midwest Approaches Five-Year Milestone

In December 2007, ITC Midwest acquired the electric transmission lines previously owned and operated by Alliant Energy – Interstate Power and Light. In December 2012, ITC Midwest will mark five years of operations in Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois and Missouri. From its beginning through June 30, 2012, the company has invested more than \$980 million in the electric transmission system in the region. The company's investments are helping to improve regional electric reliability, expand transmission capacity to support economic development and growth, and reduce bottlenecks and constraints on the grid that contribute to higher electric costs for customers. Thank you for your support as we mark five years of working to improve the productivity, affordability and quality of life for the region. ■

Do you have new contact information?

ITC Midwest wants to make sure we have your current contact information so we can reach you or your tenants if construction activities are moving into your area. Please contact Senior Property Management Specialist Jeanne Archie, at (319) 297-6764 or jarchie@itctransco.com if you have a tenant on your property or other update information. We want to make sure we are doing everything we can to keep you informed of our activities. Thank you! ■



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