ORAL STATEMENT BY GORDON WOOD REPRESENTING
HIMSELF, MR. ROBERT SEAMANS, MS. SUSAN DICK AND THE
FORESIDE COMMONS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT A COPY OF THIS ORAL STATEMENT BE INCLUDED IN THE RECORD.

WELL, HERE WE ARE AFTER THE DENIAL OF MY REQUEST ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND OTHERS TO DELAY THIS HEARING. MY REQUEST TO DELAY THIS HEARING WAS WELL REASONED, MOST APPROPRIATE AND HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. IT BRINGS ME TO ASKING WHY THE RUSH TO JUDGMENT.

CAN SOMEONE EXPLAIN WHY THIS HEARING WAS NOT DELAYED? HOW

COULD WE POSSIBLY PREPARE FOR A HEARING WHEN WE HAD INCOMPLETE,

DELAYED, AND CHANGING TECHNICAL DETAILS – WITHOUT PROPER NOTICE. IN

FACT, THE DETAILS NOT MADE AVAILABLE TO US AS PROMISED REPEATEDLY BY

DPL OVER MONTHS BUT NOT MADE AVAILABLE WERE SIGNIFICANTLY

REVISED AND GIVEN TO US AS LATE AS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. DOESN'T THIS

VIOLATE SOMETHING IN REGULATIONS OR STANDARD PROCEDURES? OF COURSE

IT DOES!

I REQUEST NOW THAT THIS HEARING BE ADJOURNED NOW, SINE
DIE, BUT FOR SOME REASONABLE PERIOD WHICH CAN BE WELL UTILIZED TO
ACCOMPLISH A JUST AND CORRECT OUTCOME.

HEAR ME OUT.

DPL REPRESENTATIVES AND I MET <u>YESTERDAY</u> AND I RECEIVED THEIR

LATEST DETAILED DRAWING OF THEIR REVISED POWER LINE LOCATION PLAN. IT

SEEMS TO HAVE REAL MERIT, AND WE CAN SUGGEST AN OUTCOME SATISFYING
TO NOT ONLY THOSE I REPRESENT, BUT ALSO DNREC, THE PUBLIC AND DPL. I
BELIEVE WE CAN FAIRLY QUICKLY AGREE TO A DETAILED LOCATION PLAN
WHICH CAN BE IMPLEMENTED AND FOR WHICH DPL WOULD STIPULATE IT
WOULD NOT BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE TO US AND WITH APPROVAL OF
THOSE I REPRESENT. FRANKLY, I BELIEVE WE ARE CLOSE TO BEING THERE.

UPDATED DRAWINGS WITH ADDED DETAIL NEED TO BE PREPARED AND REVIEWED. WITH THEM AND ASSURANCE NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE WITHOUT SUCH AN AGREEMENT, ALL SIDES CAN COME TO A SOLUTION WITHOUT A FURTHER CONTESTED HEARING BEING ADVOCATED BY US.

AS THE HEARING OFFICER YOU WOULD BE ACTING IN THE STATE'S, THE PUBLIC'S AND DPL'S INTEREST WITH SO MUCH LESS BUREAUCRATIC WORK.

YES, THIS IS A DIFFERENT PROCESS, BUT IT IS IN EVERYONE'S INTEREST. WE CAN BE ASSURED THE INFORMATION PROCESS WILL BE IMPROVED, THAT WE KNOW ALL THE FACTS WITHOUT CHANGES, AND DPL CAN BE LICENSED OR PERMITTED TO PROCEED.

I ASK THE DPL REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT IF THEY CAN AGREE TO THIS SUGGESTED PROCESS. I BELIEVE THEY WILL. IF NOT, MY PROTEST OF THE DECISION NOT TO DELAY THIS HEARING CONTINUES. TO WHAT EFFECT? DELAY, INCREASED COSTS TO DNREC, DPL AND US - AND UNCERTAINTY.

THE UNACCEPTABLE PAST PROCESS OF NOT TIMELY RECEIVING PROMISED DOCUMENTS, I BELIEVE, WILL BE CHANGED.

DELAYS IN RECEIVING PROMISED INFORMATION AND LAST MINUTE

RECEIVING OF DETAILS FROM DPL (AS LATE AS YESTERDAY) WHEN OUR

STATEMENT FOR THIS EVENING HAD ALREADY BEEN PREPARED HAS PREVENTED

US FROM BEING ABLE TO PREPARE MEANINGFUL AND FULL STATEMENTS AT THIS

HEARING. DPL HAS APOLOGIZED TO ME FOR THIS UNACCEPTABLE PROCESS, AND

I HAVE CONFIDENCE WE CAN CONTINUE NOW WITH GOOD FAITH ON BOTH SIDES.

THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX. GIVE US AND DPL THIS CHANCE. EVERYONE WILL BENEFIT.

WHILE WE APPRECIATE DNREC'S AGREEING TO HOLD A HEARING AS WE
AND OTHERS REQUESTED, WE STRONGLY PROTEST NOT DELAYING THIS
HEARING. A SOLUTION SEEMS TO BE AT HAND. LET US PROCEED TO IMPLEMENT
IT.

ON BEHALF OF MR. ROBERT SEAMANS, MS. SUE DICK AND THE FORESIDE COMMONS HOA.