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Dear Joyce/ Wimpie

## Garona – Aries 400 kV Transmission Line

With regards to the query on the alternate line routes proposed by the environmentalist.

- 1. Route 2A is approximately 12 km longer than the proposed route which would work out to about 15 million extra. There is also the problem of larger bend angles which require heavier towers also adding to the cost.
- 2. Route 1 B proposed is about 3 km longer which adds about 4.5 million to the cost. There is also the problem of the large bend angles as well as the mountainous area. On the mountainous terrain , self supporting towers would be used making construction more difficult and costly.

Yours sincerely

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