

7848.1500 REQUIRED INFORMATION ON ALTERNATIVES TO PROPOSED HIGH-VOLTAGE TRANSMISSION LINES.

Any biennial transmission projects report that seeks certification of a high-voltage transmission line in the course of the biennial transmission report proceeding must include the following information for each feasible alternative to each high-voltage transmission line proposed:

- A. a detailed description of the alternative;
- B. an analysis of the economic, environmental, and social consequences of the alternative;
- C. the probable location of the alternative and a list of all locations under serious consideration;
- D. the estimated cost of constructing the alternative and the effect of those costs on rates;
- E. the estimated annual cost of operating and maintaining the alternative and the effect of those costs on rates;
- F. a summary of the input the utility has gathered from local government officials, tribal government officials, and members of the public on the alternative;
- G. the expected depreciation and service lives of the alternative;
- H. an analysis of the effect of the alternative on service reliability, both within the utility's assigned service area and throughout the state;
- I. a description of measures the utility could take to mitigate any adverse environmental impacts from construction, operation, or maintenance of the alternative;
- J. the amount of land required for construction of the alternative and for its operation and maintenance, and a description of the uses to which the land is currently devoted; and
- K. a list of all other state agencies, federal agencies, local governments, and tribal governments whose approval of the alternative must be obtained for it to proceed, and an analysis of the alternative's compliance with their policies, rules, and regulations.

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