

October 23rd, 2018

Ms. Marla Eddy Forestry - Madison Parks Department 1402 Wingra Creek Parkway Madison, WI 53715

Dear Ms. Eddy,

American Transmission Co. (ATC) is applying for a permit to perform utility line clearance operations including pruning and removal of trees in the public right-of-way within the City of Madison.

ATC will be performing the work to maintain safe and reliable clearances to its high voltage transmission facilities. Wisconsin Administrative Code Public Service Commission (PSC) 114 requires electric utilities maintain safe clearance between vegetation and electrical conductors. Additionally, PSC 113 requires electric utilities to identify potential natural power line hazards. ATC will be performing the work to maintain safe and reliable clearances to its high voltage transmission facilities in accordance with these codes.

ATC will carefully evaluate trees in the public right-of-way to determine appropriate action whether it be pruning or removal. ATC contract crews will be pruning trees as outlined in ANSI A300, the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) guide to pruning, and ANSI Z133.1 tree care operations. We will also be working with the City Forester regarding appropriate prune or removal prescriptions.

ATC's contractors will begin conducting line clearance operations once Habitat Stewardship Committee approval is obtained and a permit is issued. Exhibit A is attached showing areas we anticipate being affected by our line clearance work listed by street name and block number.

Sincerely,

Joe Benzschawel

Sr. Transmission Vegetation Management Specialist

Chapter PSC 114, Wisconsin State Electrical Code,