

Typical Transmission Line Application Process*
(when hearing is anticipated)

1. Applicant anticipates need for transmission capacity.
2. Applicant meets with representatives of local government, SCC, and state and federal environmental agencies, and holds public meetings.
3. Applicant files application and supporting testimony for Certificate, map/sketch of route, and other information in accordance with staff guidelines.
4. Staff reviews application.
5. Staff commences consultation with DEQ on wetlands and coordinated environmental review.
6. DEQ submits its schedule for wetland impacts analysis and coordinated environmental review.
7. SCC issues Order of Notice and Hearing.
8. As directed by SCC Order, Applicant serves copy of SCC Order on local officials.
9. As directed by SCC Order, Applicant mails notice and route maps to property owners on the rights-of-way of the proposed and alternative routes.
10. As directed by SCC Order, Applicant publishes notice and route maps in local newspapers.
11. Respondents file notice of participation.
12. Respondents and Staff initiate discovery.
13. Respondents file written testimony.
14. Staff files written testimony.
15. Interested individuals and organizations submit written comments on the application.
16. Hearing Examiner conducts local hearing for public witnesses.
17. Applicant files written rebuttal testimony.
18. Hearing Examiner conducts evidentiary hearing in Richmond with examination of expert witnesses.

19. Applicant, Respondents, and Staff file post-hearing written legal briefs and/or make oral arguments.
20. Hearing Examiner issues report summarizing evidentiary record and making recommendations.
21. Applicant, Respondents and Staff file comments on Hearing Examiner's Report.
22. Commission issues Final Order.
23. Commission issues Certificate.
24. Applicant and/or Respondents may file Petition for Reconsideration.
25. Applicant and/or Respondents may appeal Commission's decision to Virginia Supreme Court.

* This flow chart excludes filing of motions by various parties that can't be known in advance.