478.17 Access to lines — damages.

Individuals or corporations operating such transmission lines shall have reasonable access to the same for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing, enlarging, repairing, or locating the poles, wires, or construction and other devices used in or upon such line, but shall pay to the owner of such lands and of crops thereon all damages to said lands or crops caused by entering, using, and occupying said lands for said purposes. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the execution of an agreement between the person or company owning or operating such line and the owner of said land or crops with reference to the use thereof.

[S13, §2120-t; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §**8324;** C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, §489.16; C66, 71, 73, 75, §489.17; C77, 79, 81, §478.17]