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Ms. Barcy F. McNeal, Secretary
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: PUCO Case No. 15-324-EL-BLN, In the matter of the Notice of Construction for the
Duke Energy Ohio 138 kV Transmission Line Tap to Enyart Substation

Dear Docketing,

Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke Energy Ohio), filed a Letter of Notification, pursuant to O.A.C. 4906-5-02 and 4906-11-01, on February 23, 2015, concerning a proposed project known as the 138 kV Transmission Line Tap to Enyart Substation. The Ohio Power Siting Board Staff issued its report on March 11, 2015, recommending automatic approval of the project on March 23, 2015, provided that three conditions were satisfied.

1. Prior to the commencement of construction, the Applicant shall obtain all applicable permits and authorizations as required by federal and state entities for any activities where such permit or authorization is required.
2. The Applicant shall adhere to seasonal cutting dates from October 1 through March 31 for removal of suitable Indiana bat habitat trees, if avoidance measures cannot be achieved.
3. The Applicant shall utilize best management practices when working in the vicinity of environmentally sensitive areas. This includes, but is not limited to, the installation of silt fencing (or similarly effective tool) prior to initiating construction near streams and wetlands. The installation of erosion control measures shall be done in accordance with generally accepted construction methods and shall be inspected regularly.

Duke Energy Ohio adopts and accepts all three required conditions and agrees to satisfy them.

Respectfully submitted,


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