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Ms. Tanowa M. Troupe Ohio Power Siting Board PUCO Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor Columbus, OH 43215-3716

Re: Case No. 16-253-GA-BTX Ohio Department of Natural Resources Clearance for Freshwater Mussel

Dear Ms. Troupe:

Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., is filing, herewith, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources clearance letter for the freshwater mussel.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Emily A. Olive, CP Paralegal

From:	John.Navarro@dnr.state.oh.us
Sent:	Thursday, July 16, 2020 5:19 PM
То:	Teagan Loew
Subject:	RE: Duke Energy - Freshwater Mussel Assessment

Report accepted, project can proceed.

From: Teagan Loew <<u>teaganloew@stoneenvironmental.com</u>> Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2020 8:57 AM To: Navarro, John <<u>John.Navarro@dnr.state.oh.us</u>> Subject: Duke Energy - Freshwater Mussel Assessment

Hi John,

I have sent you a report via OneDrive. This report is the Freshwater Mussel Assessment Report for the Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke Energy) Central Corridor Pipeline Extension. The assessment included 15 stream crossings, where a habitat suitable assessment was completed at all sites, mussel reconnaissance survey was completed at five sites, and a full mussel survey employing a timed search per designated cells was completed at two sites.

As requested by Duke Energy, please supply your concurrence of the report. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks, Teagan

## Teagan Loew, PWS, CESSWI Senior Ecologist





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