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Ms. Barcy McNeal
Ohio Power Siting Board
PUCO Docketing Division
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Re: OPSB Case No. 17-328-GA-BLN, In the Matter of the Letter of Notification for the Duke Energy Ohio Line D0008 Natural Gas Pipeline Replacement Project

Dear Ms. McNeal:

Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke Energy Ohio), filed a Letter of Notification, pursuant to O.A.C. Chapter 4906-6, on April 4, 2017, concerning a proposed project known as the Line D0008 Natural Gas Pipeline Replacement Project. The Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) Staff issued its report on April 26, 2017, recommending automatic approval of the project on May 3, 2017, provided that four conditions were satisfied:

1. Prior to the commencement of construction activities in areas that require permits or authorizations by federal or state laws and regulations, the Applicant shall obtain and comply with such permits or authorizations. The Applicant shall provide copies of permits and authorizations, including all supporting documentation, to Staff within seven days of issuance or receipt by the Applicant.
2. The Applicant shall adhere to seasonal cutting dates of October 1 through March 31 for removal of any trees greater than or equal to three inches in diameter, unless coordination efforts with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service allow a different course of action.
3. Prior to construction, the Applicant shall submit to Staff, for review and confirmation that it complies with this condition, a project construction plan which includes the specific locations of its laydown areas. If the specific locations chosen appear to have additional adverse impacts, the Applicant shall either propose different specific locations without such impacts, or refile its application.
4. The Applicant shall also continue to coordinate with the Ohio Historic Preservation Office and Staff to ensure minimal adverse impacts to cultural resources as a result of this project.

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

Sincerely,

/s/ Jeanne W. Kingery

Jeanne W. Kingery
Associate General Counsel