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

Re: OPSB Case No. 19-398-EL-BNR / Duke Energy Ohio Construction Notice for the  
F7481– 138kV Blue Ash Road Improvement Project

Dear Ms. Troupe:

Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke Energy Ohio), filed a Letter of Notification, pursuant to O.A.C. Chapter 4906-6, on February 19, 2019, concerning a proposed project known as the F7481– 138kV Blue Ash Road Improvement Project. The Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) Staff issued its report recommending automatic approval of the project on March 13, 2019, provided that the following 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.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Jeanne W. Kingery*

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