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Re: American Transmission Systems, Inc. / Geauga County -138kV Transmission

Lee Fisher Ohio Decartment of Development Line Supply Project Case No. 07-171-EL-BTX

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Thank you for your concerns regarding the proposed American Transmission Systems, Inc. / Geauga County -138kV Transmission Line Supply Project. As with the consideration of all transmission projects, local and surrounding businesses, residents, municipalities and officials are invited to discuss the present and long-term economical and environmental feasibility of such projects. The response we receive from these entities convey an interest in environmental, ecological and social implications associated with the proposed transmission line.

To date, American Transmission Systems held public information meetings on both March 5-6, 2007 in Huntsburg and Thompson Ohio that residents might be informed on the proposed project. Still at this time, American Transmission Systems has not submitted an application for the project before the Ohio Power Siting Board.

As we appreciate all input into the siting process, once an application is filed, your document will be shared with members of the Board and placed in an official docket for the case. Further, should you wish to view activity involving this application, please visit our web site at www.OPSB.ohio.gov.

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March 31, 2007

The Ohio Power Siting Board 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215

RE: Geauga County 138kV Transmission Line Supply Project Project Case Number: 07-0171-EL-BTX

Dear Sirs,

As suggested by First Energy's Representatives, I am putting in writing my concerns about the project. I am sending this letter to express my concerns about the proposed. power line through Geauga County. In 2005, I purchase property in Geauga County to build a house. The parcel number is 30-049810. Construction of the house is to begin early April 2007 and will be completed by July 2007. The east proposed power line route will run through the parcel directly east of my parcel. Judging by the map I received from the public hearing, it will be about 100 ft from my property line. My house is to be built about 65ft from the east property line which would put the power line roughly 165ft away. Most importantly, my concern is about how close it's going to be to my house and my family. My wife and I are expecting our first child this October and plan to live here for some time. I'm worried about the existence of an electric or magnetic field that exists around such high voltage lines and how it could possible affect your health due to long term exposure. Also, I worried about the affect it will have on the landscape of the county. I lived in Willowick, OH for the previous five years and I'm looking forward to living in the country. I don't want a transmission line taking up the landscape so close to houses. I believe that there are better routes to take than the ones First Energy is proposing that could keep it away from people's homes. Please contact me with any questions or information. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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