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Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

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

Case No. 07-171-EL-BTX

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Radigan:

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> Robert Boggs Ohio Department of Agriculture

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John Hagan Ohio House of Representatives

> Bob Schuler Ohio Senate

jason Wilson Ohio Senete 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.opsh.obio.gov.

Very truly yours,

Klaus Lambeck, Chief Ohio Power Siting Board

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Cc: The Honorable Timothy J. Grendell State Senator, 18th District State House Columbus, Ohio 43215

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Project #: 07-0171-EL-BTX

This is to protest the proposed placement of the transmission lines in Thompson Township, Geauga County - not only on Clay Street or Route 528 but ANY location east in Thompson Township. Although there have been many man hours accumulated in the study of possible routes, there have to be less costly solutions, not only in terms of people affected, but also to ATSI/FirstEnergy in financial terms.

Using existing corridors to erect poles and string lines eliminates the need to disrupt peoples' lives and the landscape, and still remain cost effective to ASTI/FirstEnergy, and promote goodwill. As property owners in Thompson Township, and near future residents, we are concerned about the community.

If Ashtabula County and southern Geauga County are the areas to be served with the additional electricity, then utilize existing sites and areas within, and closest to, those communities to expand the service.

Carol Radigan

William Radigan

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Mr. Timothy J. Grendell State Senator, 18th District Senate Building Columbus, Ohio 43215

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Dear Mr. Grendell,

Your support presented at the Montville Community Center on March 31, 2007, regarding the proposed paths of the transmission line in Thompson Township is appreciated.

However, the Clay Street and Route 528 residents are not the only property owners who are horrified by the ATSI/FirstEnergy proposal. To suggest that the proposed transmission line route be moved further east in Geauga County is no less horrifying to property owners in that corridor. Certainly the impact on other residents' health, safety, land values and esthetics to appease FirstEnergy should not be acceptable, either. Who will defend us?!

As property owners with fifty acres, home and garage, 17879 Thompson Road at the Geauga and Ashtabula county lines in Thompson Township, two years ago we acquired a classification of Forest Land from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry for forty-seven of those acres. Recently, we have had dialogue with Carla Macklin of Western Reserve Land Conservancy to explore their program and benefits of preserving our rural area of Thompson Township. Because you serve on the Committee of Environment and Natural Resources, you can appreciate our interest in preserving land and forest.

Please continue to support the exploration of established transmission line corridors in Ashtabula County and southern Geauga County, which would not only minimize disruption of lives and land, but also reduce the costs to the utility company and promote goodwill among their customers.

Sincerely.

Carol and William Radigan

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(near future residence - 16740 Thompson Road)

cc: FirstEnergy

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