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May 2, 2008

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

Reference Number: PUCO Case Number 07-0171-EL-BTX

Dear Sirs

The Claridon Township Trustees passed a resolution in support of our fellow Boards of Trustees in Huntsburg, Montville, and Thompson. I have enclosed a copy of this resolution.

Sincerely

Lea Hlifka, Claridon Township Secretary

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## CARE Resolution # 08-11 adopted April 28th, 2008

The Board of Trustees of Claridon Township, Geauga County, Ohio met in regular session at 5:30 pm on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008 with the following members present: David L. Brockway, Edward Ward, and Mary Briggs.

Ms. Briggs moved for the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS we, the duly elected representatives of the people of Claridon Township, recognize the economic and esthetic value of Geauga County's natural environment, and are sensible of and appreciate the efforts of preceding generations to preserve it; and

WHEREAS we are highly aware of the fragility and irreplaceable nature of our natural heritage; and

WHEREAS we have learned that the First Energy Corporation, acting through several of its subsidiaries, has made application to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio to construct a new 138 kV transmission line within a 60'-wide, clear-cut corridor passing through Thompson, Montville, and Huntsburg Townships contrary to the expressed wishes of the Board of Trustees of those three townships; and

WHEREAS we have come to understand that this opposition is based upon the fact that there do exist alternative civil corridors where this necessary power line could be sited with far less impact on the environment;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of our responsibility to the future generations, and in the interest of preservation and conservation of productive farmland, wetlands, forest, wildlife habitat, and the right of our citizens to be left alone in the enjoyment of their property,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Board of Township Trustees of Claridon Township, Geauga County, Ohio, join our neighboring Geauga County townships in their opposition to the construction of a new power corridor through the untouched spaces of Thompson, Montville, and Huntsburg Townships, and hereby petition the Ohio Power Siting Board to disallow the application of American Transmission Systems, Incorporated and The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, identified as Case No. 07-0171-EL-BTX, and known as the Geauga County 138 kV Transmission Line Supply Project.

Mr. Ward seconded the motion and the roll being called the vote of the Claridon Township Board of Township Trustees was as follows:

<u>Trustee</u>	<u>yes or No</u>
David L. Brockway	<u>yes</u>
Edukul Ward	yes
Mary Briggs	<u> 1es</u>
Adopted the $\frac{28^{t+}}{2008}$ day of $\frac{4pril}{2008}$ .	
Attested to by:	Linguis Ols
	Township Fiscal Officer

Lisa Millet