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Keith and Mariann Tompkins  
12150 Falls Road  
Chardon, Ohio 44024

Re: American Transmission Systems, Inc.  
Geauga County-138 kV Transmission Line Supply Project  
Case No. 07-171-EL-BTX

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Tompkins:

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.

Please be advised, the local public hearings have been postponed. This postponement is to allow both the Applicant and the Power Siting Staff an opportunity to review the impacts of the Maple Highlands Bike Trail right-of-way and utilization of an abandoned railroad corridor through the City of Chardon as a viable route selection for the proposed transmission line.

Once investigations of this route consideration are complete and the hearings re-open, the applicant will publish appropriate notice in local newspapers of general circulation in the area. Interested persons may testify at only one of the two local public hearings.

As we continue to appreciate all input into the siting process, your document will be shared with members of the Board and placed in the official docket for the case. Should you wish to view activity involving this application, visit our web site at [www.OPSB.ohio.gov](http://www.OPSB.ohio.gov). Again, the Board thanks you for your interest.

Very truly yours,

Klaus Lambeck, Chief,  
Ohio Power Siting Board

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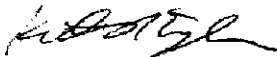
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Office of Chairman  
P.U.C.O.

Dear Mr. Schriber:

We are writing to you to express our strong opposition to the routing of First Energy's high voltage transmission line down The Geauga Park District's Maple Highlands Trail bike path. Since we are recently retired we ride the path 3 or 4 times a week. Most times the entire length from Chardon to Headwaters Park. It is one of the most beautiful, unspoiled pieces of property in the area and really epitomizes Geauga County. What a crime to violate this great asset for all of our counties people, young and old. We understand that there likely is no perfect route but there has to be some way to preserve the bike path and satisfy the counties electrical needs. We respectfully request that you not allow the transmission line down our bike path.

Best regards,



Keith R. Tompkins



Mariann C. Tompkins