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The Honorable Jeffrey R. Jones  
Attorney Examiner  
Ohio Power Siting Board  
180 E. Broad Street, 12<sup>th</sup> floor  
Columbus, OH 43215

Re: In the Matter of the Application of the Columbus Southern Power Company  
for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the  
Roberts-OSU 138kV Transmission Line Project, Case No. 08-170-EL-BTX.

Dear Examiner Jones:

Through this letter the Ohio Power Siting Board Staff (Staff) addresses the Company's motion for a waiver of the one-year notice requirement of Section 4906.06(A)(6), Revised Code. Regardless of the route selected by the Board in this case, Staff acknowledges that coordination with local jurisdictions will be critical. The Applicant has demonstrated that such coordination has already begun, in turn delaying the filing of the application from early to late 2008. The Applicant asserts that the need, or end result of the project has not changed.

Staff does not object to the Applicant's request for waiver of this requirement should the application be approved by the Board. The Staff, however, reserves the right to investigate and contest any other issue presented in the application.

Very truly yours,

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