

BEFORE

THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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

ENTRY

The administrative law judge finds:

- (1) On December 30, 2008, Columbus Southern Power Company (CSPC) filed a motion to waive the one-year notice provision set forth in Section 4906.06(A), Revised Code. In support of the waiver application, CSPC submits that the construction of this line will enhance reliability for the Columbus, Ohio and The Ohio State University campus area. CSPC asserts that the delay in filing this application is due to the need to coordinate this project with local officials in Upper Arlington and other entities to ensure the least amount of disturbance along the route to both the environment and individuals in the area. CSPC plans to begin construction of the electric transmission line as soon as it is authorized by the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board) and hopes to commence construction by October 2009. Without this waiver, however, CSPC claims the company will not be permitted to commence construction at all in 2009.
- (2) On January 29, 2009, the Ohio Power Siting Board staff filed a response indicating that it does not object to CSPC's motion for waiver.
- (3) Section 4906.06(A), Revised Code, permits the Board to grant a waiver of the filing time requirements. With respect to the motion for a waiver of the applicable filing time requirement, the administrative law judge finds that it is reasonable and should be granted.

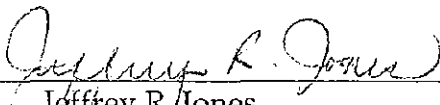
It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That CSPC's motion for a waiver of the requirement, in Section 4906.06(A), Revised Code, that an application be filed at least one year prior to the planned date of commencement of construction, be granted. It is, further,

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ORDERED, That a copy of this entry should be served upon all parties of record.

THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD


By: Jeffrey R. Jones
Administrative Law Judge

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Renee J. Jenkins
Secretary