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**BEFORE
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

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In the Matter of: The Application of)	
American Transmission Systems)	
Incorporated for a Certificate of)	11-5855-EL-BSB and
environmental Compatibility and Public)	11-5856-EL-BTX
Need for the for the Black River Project)	

**AFFIDAVIT OF PROOF OF NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS AND
AFFECTED TENANTS**

Section 4906-5-08 (C)(3) of the Ohio Administrative Code directs each Applicant, in Board proceedings, to send a letter describing the facility to each property owner and affected tenant. This letter should additionally briefly describe the certification process and include the date of the public hearing. This letter is to be sent first class mail. Further the name and address of each landowner on the mailing list shall be submitted to the board and to each public official entitled to service of the application pursuant to Section 4906-5-06 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

On behalf of the Applicant in the above captioned Board proceeding, pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code Rules 4906-5-08 (C)(3), the undersigned states that a letter describing the facility and the certification process in the above captioned proceeding was sent via first class mail to each property owner and affected tenant on or about January 20, 2012. The list of each property owner and affected tenant is attached hereto. For the Board's convenience, a sample of these letters is attached.

Further, the undersigned states that the name and address of each landowner on the mailing list was submitted to each public official entitled to service of the application pursuant to Section 4906-5-06 of the Ohio Administrative Code on February 22, 2012. For the Board's convenience, true and accurate copies of the transmittal letters dated February 22, 2012 to the identified public officials are also attached to the Affidavit of Proof of Notice.

This is to certify that the images appearing are an accurate and complete reproduction of a case file document delivered in the regular course of business.
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Jessica L. Thacker

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Transmission Engineer
FirstEnergy Service Company
330-384-5955

State of Ohio)
)
County of Summit) ss

Sworn and subscribed before me this 22nd day of February, 2012.

SAMANTHA B. SARAH
NOTARY PUBLIC • STATE OF OHIO
Recorded in Summit County
My commission expires Dec. 21, 2014

Samantha B. Sarah

Notary Public

PROPERTY OWNER NOTIFICATION MAILING LIST

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Letters were mailed via first class mail to the following property owners and affected tenants who own property, and affected tenants, within the proposed Preferred and Alternate Site of the Black River Substation and the Preferred Route, Alternate Route, and Common Route of the Black River Transmission Line Project associated with the Preferred Site and the Alternate Site of the Black River Substation Project, or who the applicants may approach for any additional easement necessary for the construction, operation, or maintenance of the facilities to notify them of the project and the public hearings.

A-1 Welding & Fabricating, Inc.
1005 E. 32nd St.
Lorain, OH 44055

North Ridgeville, OH 44039
Patricia Echko
301 E 48th St.
Lorain, OH 44055

Baltimore & Ohio RR CSX System
500 Water St.
Jacksonville, FL 32202

Patricia Echko
303 E 48th St.
Lorain, OH 44055

Earl & Josephine Burkey
4075 Pearl Ave.
Lorain, OH 44052

Fifth Street Realty Company
3976 Tuxedo Rd.
Atlanta, GA 30342

David Carter
FGSK Properties, LLC
P.O. Box 395
Lorain, OH 44052

Current Occupant
443 Fulton Ave.
Lorain, OH 44052

Edgar Carter
9138 Bechtel Rd.
Elyria, OH 44035

Dwayne Hall
1039 Brownell Ave
Lorain, OH 44052

Dettore Farms, Inc.
Eagle Lake Development, LLC
3700 Center Ridge Rd.

Current Occupant
1554 Broadway
Lorain, OH 44052

Todd Hall
924 Grace St.
Lorain, OH 44055

David Higginbotham
412 34th St. E
Lorain, OH 44055

Roy & Patsy Saunders
408 34th St. E
Lorain, OH 44055

Kent & Gertrude Sutton
Suttons Rentals LLC
148 Cherry Valley Dr.
Amherst, OH 44001

Occupant
607 E 34th St.
Lorain OH 44055

David Christman
513 E 28th St
Lorain, OH 44055

Robert & Anthony Frost
5933 Mcpherson St.
Bethel Park, PA 15102

Paul Hric
918 E 32nd St
Lorain, OH 44055

Antonia Perez
906 E 32nd St
Lorain, OH 44055

George Schneider
1214 W 26th St.
Lorain, OH 44052

Current Occupant
331 21st St.
Lorain, OH 44052

Lewis Strnad
P.O. Box 833
Lorain, OH 44052

Josephine & William Maldonado
4242 Oakcrest Dr.
Lorain, OH 44052

Current Occupant
3251 Lowell Ave.
Lorain, OH 44055

South Lorain Community Development
Corp.
2835 Pearl Ave.
Lorain, OH 44055

The Honorable Chase Ritenauer
Mayor, City of Lorain
200 West Erie Avenue
Lorain, OH 44052

Anthony & Deborah Burger
9646 Allegro Ct.
Loveland, OH 45140

Earl Harris
3155 Caroline Ave.
Lorain, OH 44052

Jose Mendoza
238 Jefferson St.
Lorain, OH 44052

TAG Land Company, LLC
3651 Broadway
Lorain, OH 44052

Current Occupant
218 12th St.
Lorain, OH 44052

Matthew Coffing
6737 Southpoint Dr.
Suite 100
Jacksonville, FL 32216

The Honorable Chase Ritenauer
Mayor, City of Lorain
200 West Erie Avenue
Lorain, OH 44052

Noel Tabernacle Church of God in
Christ
3529 Ada Ave.
Lorain, OH 44055

Luis Caldera
721 E 33rd St.
Lorain, OH 44055

Christopher Ferenzi
1412 W 37th St.
Lorain, OH 44055

Leslie Ann Flecha
620 E 33rd St.
Lorain, OH 44055

Mary Virginia Wensorski
924 Grace St.
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The portion of the Project that is located on your property with the parcel numbers listed on the top of this page, involves a new construction portion of the Project. This means that new transmission line and support structures will be installed. As described above, the majority of new poles will be 70-110 foot tall single wooden poles and will support double-circuit 138 kV transmission line.

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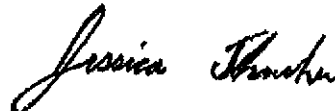
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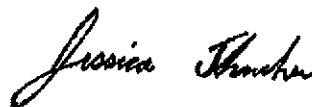
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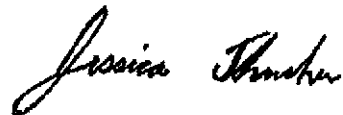
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Your property, as indicated by the parcel numbers at the top of the page, has been identified as the Alternate site for the substation of the Project and the associated transmission line construction.

As described in the Application, the Black River Substation Project, as well as the associated Black River Transmission Line Project, is needed to support planned industrial load growth in the Lorain, Ohio Area. Republic Steel is adding a new electric arc furnace to its site in Lorain, Ohio. Republic Steel's expanded operations are expected to result in approximately 450 new jobs at the site which is a significant investment by Republic Steel, the City of Lorain, and the State of Ohio in the area's economy. The Project is intended to provide reliable and economical electric power service to Republic Steel's new electric arc furnace. The Project also reinforces the existing transmission system that serves the greater Lorain area.

allowing portions of ATSI's existing facilities to be reconfigured in support of local waterfront redevelopment efforts.

In order to construct, operate and maintain the Project, ATSI submitted applications to, and must obtain approval from, the OPSB. The OPSB requires the submittal of a preferred and alternate site for substation projects and a preferred and alternate route for transmission line projects. The OPSB considers many aspects of the project and ultimately decides if the project is needed, and, if needed, on which proposed site and route it should be constructed. The OPSB approval is provided in the form of a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need. On December 22, 2011 ATSI submitted the necessary applications to the OPSB. The OPSB reviewed the applications and found on December 23, 2011 that the application filings were complete and addressed all necessary filing requirements. More information on the OPSB can be found on their website at <http://www.opsb.ohio.gov/opsb.cfm> including an electronic copy of ATSI's applications for the Project. The OPSB has assigned Docket No. 11-5855-EL-BSB and 11-5856-EL-BTX to the applications, which you should refer to in any correspondence about the project. A copy of the applications for the Project has been provided for public review at:

Lorain Public Library, 351 Sixth Street, Lorain, Ohio 44052
South Lorain Public Library, 2121 Homewood Drive, Lorain, Ohio 44055

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The public will be given an opportunity to comment verbally or in writing on the proposed facility at a local public hearing being held by the OPSB. The local public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., at the Lorain City Hall, Council Chambers, 200 West Erie Avenue, Lorain, OH, 44052.

If you have questions regarding this letter or the project, you may contact us through a toll-free information line at 1-800-589-2837.

Sincerely,

Jessica Thacker
Engineer
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February 22, 2012

The Honorable Lori Kokoski
Lorain County Commissioner
226 Middle Avenue, 4th Floor
Elyria, OH 44035

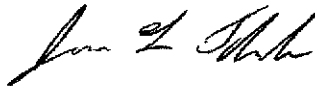
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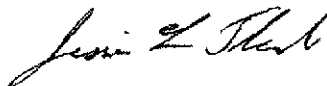
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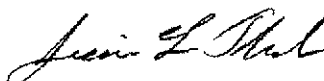
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Mr. Don Romancak, Director
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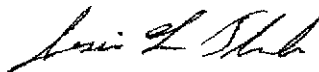
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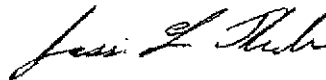
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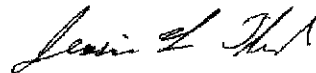
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