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Staff Investigation Report and Recommendation

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Case No.: 12-2453-EL-BNR

Project: Republic Steel 138 kV Melt Shop Transmission Line

Applicant: Republic Steel

Report Date: 7 September 2012

Automatic Approval Date: 10 September 2012 (**Expedited** Construction Notice process)

Waiver Request: Waiver of the 21-day expedited filing time requirement

Inspection Date(s): 6 September 2012

Staff Assigned: J. O'Dell

Summary of Staff Recommendations (see report text for discussion):

Application: ☒ Approval ☐ Disapproval ☐ Approval with Conditions
Waiver: ☒ Approval ☐ Disapproval ☐ Not Applicable

Summary of Staff Recommended Conditions (see report text for discussion):

- None

Projected Docket Closure Date (if automatically approved): 1 May 2015

Investigation Report

Project Description: This project involves the installation of approximately 907 feet of 138 kV transmission line. Two wood and three steel structures would be constructed to provide an interconnection to the Applicant's planned distribution substation. The steel structures require concrete foundations. The project is needed to provide service to a new multi-million dollar facility that is expected to employ over 400 people.

Site Description: This project is located entirely on the Applicant's property; therefore, new r-o-w is not required. The surrounding industrial land use is currently being used for steel manufacturing. This project is located in the City of Lorain, Lorain County.

Discussion/Comments/Concerns: The Applicant has requested waiver of the expedited filing time requirement to meet a critical path construction requirement. The construction of this project should pose only minimal negative social and ecological impacts.

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