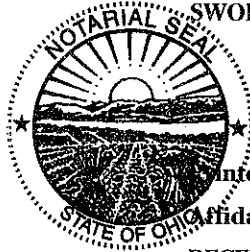


STATE OF OHIO }  
ERIE COUNTY }

I John Bennett

of the Sandusky REGISTER a daily newspaper, printed and published at Sandusky, Erie County, Ohio, and of general circulation therein, do solemnly swear that a notice (a copy whereof is hereunto annexed) has been published in said Newspaper for 1 consecutive ~~weeks~~ <sup>days</sup> commencing on the 8th day of Oct - 20 12 according to the best of my knowledge and belief. The Sandusky Register has a bona fide paid circulation of more than (15,000) at the time the attached notice was published for which itemized bill is given below; and that the price charged in said itemized bill for same does not exceed the rates charged for like amount of space to other advertisers in the general display advertising columns.



SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, this 8th day of Oct A.D. 20 12

LUISA DORITY  
Notary Public

In and for the State of Ohio

My Commission Expires

February 20, 2016

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Noter's Fee..... \$

Affidavit..... \$ 79.80

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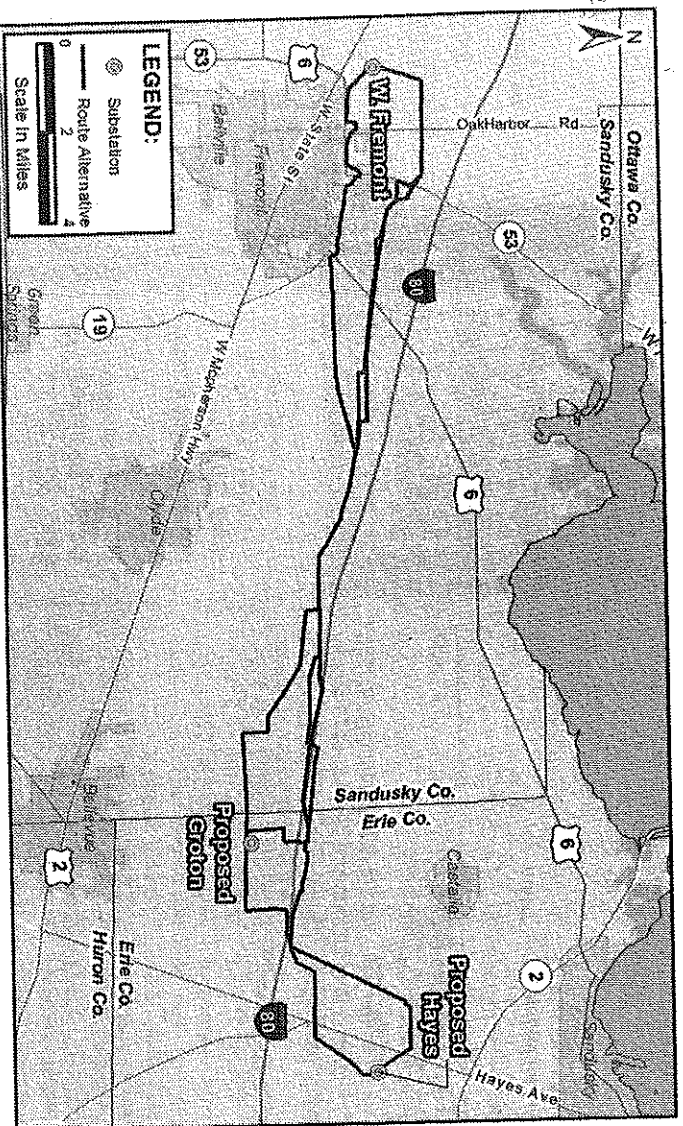
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OFFICE OF  
THE BELLEVUE GAZETTE  
BELLEVUE, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO,  
COUNTY OF HURON.

Patricia A. Binsack being sworn, says she is Business Manager at OHIO COMMUNITY MEDIA LLC, which company publishes THE BELLEVUE GAZETTE, a newspaper in and of general circulation in said counties of Huron and Sandusky, and State of Ohio, and that the legal notice PROPOSED UTILITY FACILITY here unto attached was published in THE BELLEVUE GAZETTE on the date OCTOBER 9, 2012 and in the following number of publications of said paper.

Patricia A. Binsack

Sworn to before me by said Patricia A. Binsack and signed by her in my presence this 9th day of October, 2012.

Kathryn A. Nageotte

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Notary Public.

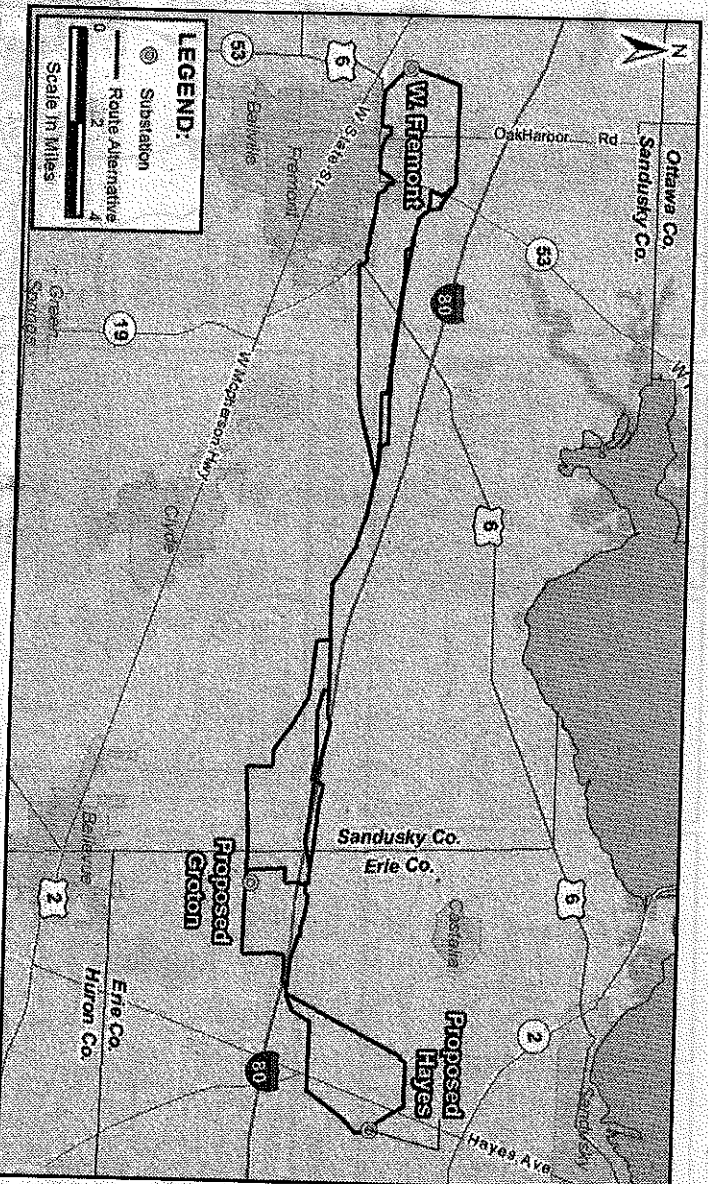
My Commission Expires August 1st, 2014

1st Pub.	\$	<u>539.00</u>
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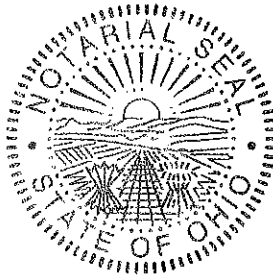
## Affidavit of Insertion

I, Michelle McCarron, Administrative Assistant for the Media Network of Central Ohio, hereby certify that the First Energy Notice of Public Meeting ran in the Fremont News Messenger on Monday, October 8, 2012.

Signed Michelle McCarron

Date Oct 8, 2012

Notary Signature Sharon K. Courson

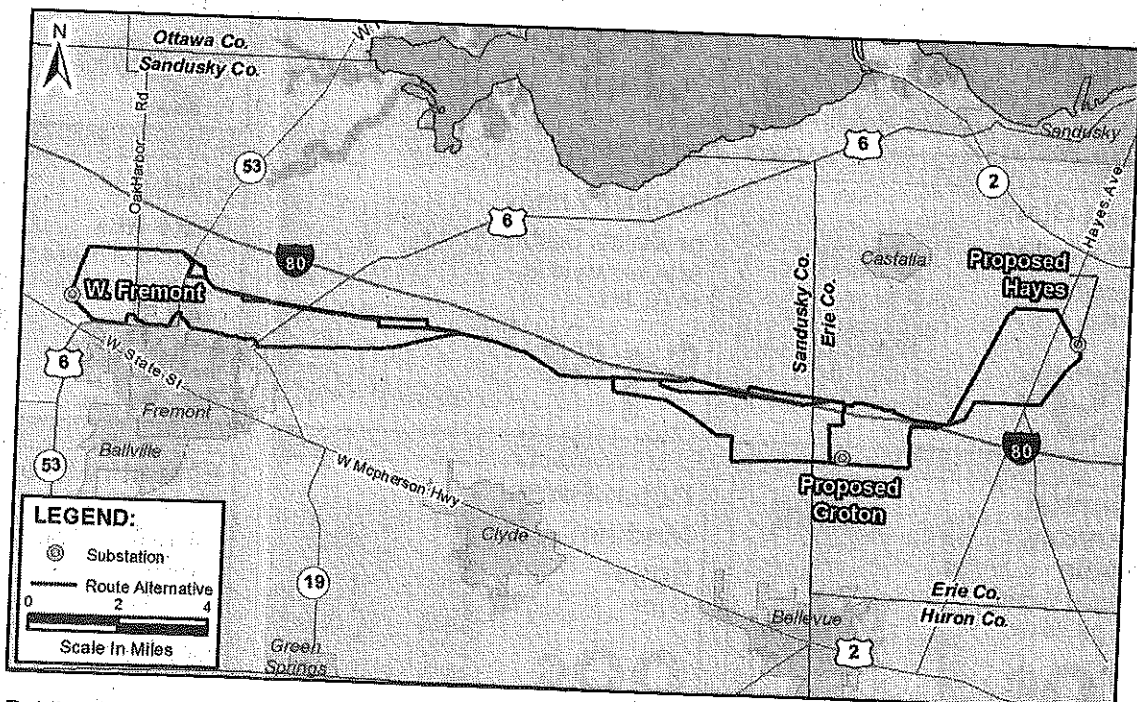


SHARON K. COURSON  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF OHIO  
Recorded in  
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My Comm. Exp. 11/3/14

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Summary: Proof of Pub Proof of Publication Notice of Public Information Meetings  
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