

OPSB STAFF REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

Case Number: 12-2524-EL-BNR
Project Name: Black River – Republic Arc 138 kV Line Extension
Project Location: Lorain County, Ohio
Applicant: American Transmission Systems, Inc.
Application Filing Date: 14 September 2012
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(if approved by the Board)
Waiver Requests: none
Staff Assigned: J. O'Dell

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Summary of Staff Recommendations (see discussion below):

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

Project Description

This project involves the installation of one steel pole structure. The 138 kV structure and associated 55 foot conductor loop would provide an interconnection point for Republic Steel's new Melt Shop switchyard.

Site Description

The proposed project is located entirely upon Republic Steel's property. The surrounding land use is industrial, currently being used for steel manufacturing.

Conclusion

No significant vegetative clearing is required. The construction of this project should pose only minimal negative social and ecological impacts.

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