

# OPSB STAFF REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

<b>Case Number:</b>	12-2912-EL-BLN
<b>Project Name:</b>	East Akron-Sammis 138 kV Transmission Line Connection to Utica East Ohio Midstream Substation
<b>Project Location:</b>	Columbiana County, Ohio
<b>Applicant:</b>	American Transmission Systems, Inc.
<b>Application Filing Date:</b>	6 November 2012
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<b>Projected Docket Closure Date:</b> (if approved by the Board)	1 May 2015
<b>Waiver Requests:</b>	none
<b>Staff Assigned:</b>	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 approximately 2,115 feet of 138 kV transmission line, with an associated three-breaker ring bus for line protection. A total of eight wood pole structures are required. The line would provide service to the Utica Gas pumping station.

## Site Description

Land use in proximity to the project consists of agricultural grazing and rural residential uses. Adequate access is readily available for construction.

## 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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