

BEFORE THE POWER SITING BOARD OF THE STATE OF OHIO

**In the Matter of the Letter of Notification Application by  
American Transmissions Systems, Incorporated and the  
Ohio Edison Company for a Certificate of  
Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the  
East Akron-Hanna 138 kV Transmission Line Tap to Old  
Forge Substation**

) **Case Number:**  
) **13-108-EL-BLN**  
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Members of the Board:

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To the Honorable Power Siting Board:

Please review the attached Staff Report of Investigation, which has been filed in accordance with the Board's rules.

The applicant's accelerated certificate application in this case is subject to an automatic approval process as required by Section 4906.03 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The application will be automatically approved on April 8, 2013, unless suspended by the Board's chairperson, the Executive Director, or an administrative law judge. If suspended, the Board must render a decision on the application within 90 days from the date of suspension.

Any concerns you or your designee may have with this case must be presented to the Executive Director of the Power Siting Board at least four business days prior to April 8, 2013, which is the automatic approval date. To contact the Executive Director with concerns, reply to the email to which this document was attached, or use the ContactOPSB email address listed below.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director  
Ohio Power Siting Board  
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## OPSB STAFF REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

**Case Number:** 13-108-EL-BLN  
**Project Name:** East Akron-Hanna 138 kV Transmission Line  
Tap to Old Forge Substation  
**Project Location:** Brimfield Township, Portage County, Ohio  
**Applicants:** American Transmission Systems, Incorporated  
Ohio Edison Company  
**Application Filing Date:** 7 January 2013  
**Filing Type:** Letter of Notification  
**Inspection Date:** 6 February 2013  
**Report Date:** 28 March 2013  
**Automatic Approval Date:** 8 April 2013  
**Projected Docket Closure Date:** 1 June 2015  
(if approved by the Board)  
**Waiver Requests:** none  
**Staff Assigned:** J. O'Dell

### 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 a radial tap structure to provide an interconnection for the Old Forge Substation. Approximately 300 feet of new 138 kV transmission line would be required. Associated switching structures would be installed within the r-o-w of the existing transmission line.

### Site Description

No new easements are necessary to complete the project. Land use in proximity to the project primarily consists of agricultural and rural residential uses.

### Conclusion

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

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Summary: Report of investigation electronically filed by Mr. Adam S Bargar on behalf of Staff of OPSB