

BEFORE THE POWER SITING BOARD OF THE STATE OF OHIO

**In the Matter of the Letter of Notification Application by)
American Transmission Systems, Incorporated for a)
Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public) Case Number:
Need for the London-Tangy 69 kV Transmission Line) 13-2163-EL-BLN
Tap to Jefferson Industries Substation)**

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 November 18, 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 one business day prior to November 18, 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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Ohio Power Siting Board
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OPSB STAFF REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

Case Number: 13-2163-EL-BLN
Project Name: London-Tangy 69 kV Transmission Line
Tap to Jefferson Industries Substation
Project Location: Jefferson Township, Madison County, Ohio
Applicant: American Transmission Systems, Incorporated
Application Filing Date: 1 November 2013
Filing Type: **Expedited** Letter of Notification
Inspection Date: 8 November 2013
Report Date: 12 November 2013
Automatic Approval Date: 18 November 2013
Waiver Requests: 28-day filing time requirement for expedited processing
Staff Assigned: J. O'Dell & D. Rostofer

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 2.4 miles of 69 kV transmission line that would provide service to a new customer-owned substation at Jefferson Industries. The line is jurisdictional to the Board because the line is being designed for and capable of 138 kV operation. The Applicant has requested a waiver of the 28-day expedited time filing requirement to accommodate Jefferson Industries' construction schedule. Staff finds this request to be reasonable.

Site Description

The project is located in an industrial area, with some agricultural operations nearby. The line is being designed to minimize guying in agricultural fields to reduce potential impacts to farming operations. In addition, the Applicant has developed an access plan to avoid or reduce impacts to any sensitive resources. The Applicant has secured agreements to provide for right-of-way for the project.

Conclusion

Access is readily available for construction. Significant vegetative clearing is not 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