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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
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**Re: PUCO Case No. 14-0684-EL-BLN Sporn-Muskingum River 345 kV  
Transmission Line Rebuild Project**

Dear Chairman Johnson:

Attached please find the public notice filed concerning the proposed major utility facility in the above-referenced case. The notice was published in pursuant of Rule 4906-5-08, Ohio Administrative Code.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

//s/Yazen Alami  
Yazen Alami

Attachments

## Community calendar

The Mental Health and Recovery Services Board will hold three meetings on Thursday, May 8, at the Zanesville office of Thompson Treatment, Inc. at 1175 Newark Road. The full schedule includes a 7 p.m. meeting of the Finance/Audit committee, a 7 p.m. meeting of Partners Workgroup and the Regular Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

The Morgan County Suicide Prevention Coalition hosts a support group for those who have been impacted by suicide. Meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Grace United Methodist Church, 73 S. 9th St., McConnelsville.

The Boards of County Commissioners from Monroe, Morgan, Noble, and Washington Counties, have scheduled a Workforce Investment Area No. 15 Council of Governments Meeting to be held at 10 a.m. Friday, May 16, at Lori's Restaurant in Caldwell, Ohio.

Local 1340 of the United Mine Workers of America will meet at 5 p.m. Thursday, May 8, at the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall on South Main Street in New Lexington.

The Morgan County Democratic PAC will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 14, in the meeting room of the Kate Love Simpson Library. At the regular monthly meeting, planning for upcoming events to promote Democratic candidates will take place. All Democrats are urged to attend, participate and help make the events a success.

The Morgan County Family and Children First Council will meet at 9 a.m. Friday, May 9, for a regular monthly meeting. The meeting will be held at Morgan Behavioral Health Choices. For more information, contact Lisa A. King, Council Coordinator at 962-6933.

Backyard Friends Homemakers Club will meet at 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, at the Kate Love Simpson Library meeting room. Guests are always welcome.

Study Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 14, at the Market House Restaurant.

Wesley Township Volunteer Fire Department women's auxiliary announced their Mother's Day smorgasbord dinner for May 11, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bartlett Fire House. Cost will be \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under. Menu will include turkey roll ham, and chicken and noodles.

The SouthEastern Ohio Joint Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors has scheduled its next meeting for 1 p.m. Monday, May 12, at the Lori's Family Restaurant, 17020 McConnelsville Road, Caldwell.

The Morgan County Board of Health will be having its regular Board of Health meeting at 7 a.m. Tuesday, May 13, in the classroom of the Adult Learning Center.

### GRANGES

Nechville Grange No. 299 will meet on Thursday, May 8 at 7:30 p.m. An item for discussion will be the pancake breakfast to be held on Saturday, May 17 (8 to 11 a.m.). This will be the only meeting for the month of May.

### LODGES

Doric Lodge 172 F&AM will hold a stated meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, at the Masonic Temple in Denver town. Pot-luck dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. Paul L. Williams is master and Burrell K. Pettit II is secretary.

Corinthian Masonic Lodge No. 111 will hold a stated meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 13. The Master Mason Degree will be conferred. All Master Masons are invited. Refreshments will be served. Dan Jenkins is master and Mike Oliver is secretary.

## Special meetings - events

MAY 24 - 100th Pennsville Alumni Association and Homecoming Banquet, Pennsville United Methodist Church, Saturday, May 24. Dinner 6:30 p.m. Reservations by Saturday, May 17, to Martha Harlow, 270 Poplar Drive, McConnelsville, OH 43756, or call 744-982-3059.

## Manchester Alumni Banquet set

The Manchester Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, May 17, in the Reinersville cafeteria. A baked steak dinner will be served at 12 noon.

Cost is \$13, plus \$2 for dues. Anyone who ever attended Reinersville School is welcome to attend.

For reservations, call Skeet Brownrigg at 558-2772.

## Birthday calendar

Joann M. Worthington, 8233 S. State Route 555, Chesterhill, OH 43728, 81, May 7.

Rita Wright, 341 W. Jefferson Avenue, McConnelsville, OH 43756, 89, May 8.

Madine Scott, 6881 Woolman Road, Chesterhill, OH 43728, 87, May 10.

Loretta Green, 1650 Beach-Hillman Road, Stockport, OH 43787, May 15.

Elsie Bogolin, 654 Blenn Lake Road, Parkersburg, WV 26101, 98, May 16.

Margaret McCormick, 620 E. Main Street, McConnelsville, OH 43756, 91, May 18.

## Card shower set

Rick Hurst of Stockport is in Good Samaritan Hospital, recovering from major surgery. He is in room 814. He will soon be going to Riverside Landing in McConnelsville for rehabilitation and will appreciate cards.

Family and friends are planning a get well card shower for former resident, Pearl Bingham, who is recuperating from a broken hip.

Cards may be sent to her at the following address: Pearl Bingham, 6476 Post Road, Apt. 118, Dublin, OH 43016-6206.

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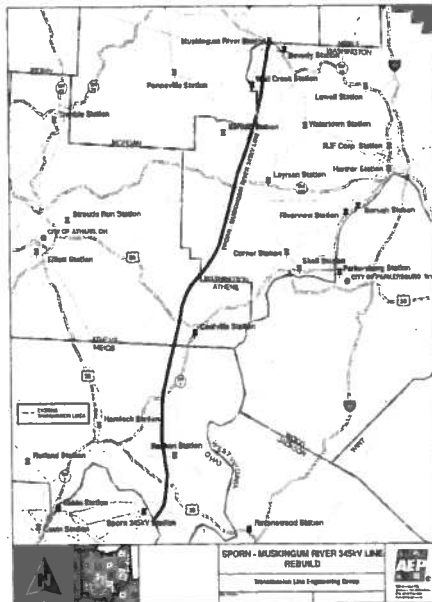
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Ms. Tara Sidwell, Director  
358 East Main Street  
McConnelsville, Ohio 43756  
740-962-2533

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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
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Morgan County Board of Commissioners  
Mr. Adam Shriver  
Mr. Tim Van Horn  
Mr. Mike Reed  
155 East Main Street, Room 216  
McConnelsville, Ohio 43756

Morgan County Engineer  
Mr. Steven Hook  
155 East Main Street, Room 208  
McConnelsville, Ohio 43756

Morgan County Planning Department  
Mr. Shannon Wells  
155 East Main Street, Room 205  
McConnelsville, Ohio 43756

Windsor Township Board of Trustees  
Mr. Heath Hummel, Trustee  
Mr. Steve Hanson, Trustee  
Mr. Mark E. Murphy, Trustee  
Ms. Kerrie Grevey, Clerk  
4555 Chase Hill Road  
Stockport, Ohio 43787

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- Ohio Department of Development
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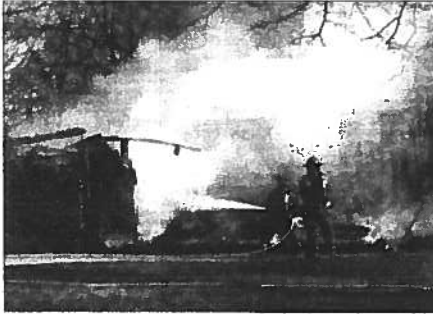
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AEP Ohio Transmission Company  
700 Morrison Road  
Baltimore, Ohio 43230  
Attention: Edward Gilbert,  
Project Manager

## Lick Run Road fire destroys garage



Firefighters from York Twp. battle flames that destroyed this garage located on the property of 14767 Lick Run Road in York Twp. Tuesday afternoon. Nelsonville Fire Department assisted. Homeowner Fred Kirkendall was working in the garage when the fire started. He attempted to put out the blaze with fire extinguishers before calling 911. Kirkendall suffered minor burns to his hand. No one else was injured in the incident.

MESSANGER PHOTO BY JOE HIGGINS

## TRIMBLE

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about the students and reaching out to them before they experiment with drugs, but that the sheriff is also there to help with addiction services for those in need.

Deputy John Kulchar, accompanied by canine Ryder, spoke about the use of the dog in searches for drugs. Since beginning with the Athens County Sheriff's Office in August, Ryder has been used over 150 times. Kulchar and Ryder recently completed searches in the parking lots of Nelsonville-York High School and Tri-County Career Center.

Kulchar explained that Ryder is trained as a dual purpose dog, meaning he can search for narcotics as well as working in apprehension and tracking.

Curtis reminded students that their lockers, cars and book bags can be searched at any time. Students then heard from Peck, an Athens County native who is a recovering drug addict. Peck stated that he had been a heavy addict for 11 years, but has now been clean for nearly 18 months.

Peck started using drugs at age 11 when he first tried pot, by age 13 he was charged with his first felony. By age 16 he was in and out of treatment facilities and foster



Recovering addict Dana Peck speaks during the assembly.

homes. His struggles continued as he transitioned from the juvenile system to adulthood.

At age 21, Peck hit a turning point in his battle with addiction. As he described it, he had been selling drugs for a year when he was pulled over. He had a lot of drugs in his possession, but was somehow let go by the officer.

It was then that he posed the question to himself, "Do you want to throw your life away for drugs and do you want to live like that?"

With the answer to those questions being "no," Peck joined Celebrate Recovery. In the four-plus years since joining the program there have been some relapses, but June will mark 18 months without drugs and alcohol for Peck.

"Nothing good in life happens when doing drugs," said Peck. He

is now attending college and taking part in the recovery group.

Peck concluded by telling the students that it is important to understand the consequences and that drug use is not a road that is fun and that a person wants to go down.

Brown was the final speaker to address the students. She has been speaking to students for over three years as part of the Hope Blooms Foundation, which was established following the death of her daughter, Hannah. Hannah died of what her mother described as "a bad choice, a lapse in judgment. She ingested a prescription narcotic that did not belong to her, along with alcohol. I fell asleep and quit breathing."

Just because the drugs are prescription, that does not make them safe, said Brown. She added that some prescription drugs have the same chemical structure as heroin and those using them can become addicted.

In a video played for the students, Brown states, "If it can happen to my Hannah, it can happen to you and you can never take it back."

Brown said she wants to make sure students are informed about the dangers of drug use.

"You are valued and loved," said Brown in closing. "Make wise choices and take care of one another."

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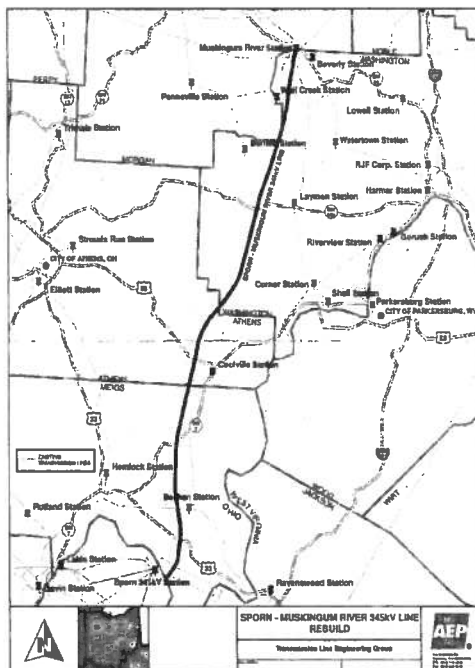
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Ms. Lauren Miller, Director  
95 West Washington Street  
Nelsonville, Ohio 45764  
740-753-2118

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**Public Utilities Commission of Ohio**  
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Mr. Charlie Adkins  
Mr. Chris Chumel  
Mr. Lenny Elison  
15 South Court Street, 2nd Floor  
Athens, Ohio 45701

**Athens County Engineer**  
Mr. Rex Jeffrey Maiden  
16000 U.S. Route 50  
Athens, Ohio 45701

**Athens County Planning Department**  
Ms. Lori Burchett, Director  
69 South Plains Road  
The Plains, Ohio 45780

**Carthage Township Board of Trustees**  
Mr. Chris Nuttall, Trustee  
Mr. Robert V. Pullins, Trustee  
Mr. Ramon Calaway, Trustee  
Ms. Dorothy L. Cox, Fiscal Officer  
42698 State Route 145  
Lewisville, Ohio 43754

**Rome Township Trustee**  
Ms. Pearl Coen  
8295 Frost Road  
Coolville, Ohio 45723

**Rome Township Trustee**  
Mr. Kenneth D. Garrett  
7225 Green Valley Road  
Guyville, Ohio 45735

**Rome Township Trustee**  
Mr. William Earl Barnhart  
8454 State Route 329  
Stewart, Ohio 45778

**Rome Township Fiscal Officer**  
Ms. Willard Dunfee  
6306 Green Valley Road  
Guyville, Ohio 45735

**Mayer Tracy William Taylor**  
Village of Coolville  
28339 Main Street  
Coolville, Ohio 45723

**Troy Township Trustee**  
Mr. Leroy Guess  
25 Dobbins Road  
Coolville, Ohio 45723

**Troy Township Trustee**  
Mr. Mike Putman  
80 Four Mile Creek Road  
Coolville, Ohio 45723

**Troy Township Trustee**  
Mr. Donald Allen Welch  
26355 Smith Road  
Coolville, Ohio 45723

**Troy Township Fiscal Officer**  
Mr. James Neal Ford  
1751 Youba Ridge Road  
Coolville, Ohio 45723

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700 Morrison Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230  
Attention: Edward Gilabert,  
Project Manager

## Thunder star Durant wins first MVP award

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Kevin Durant has plenty of scoring titles. Now, he finally has an MVP trophy to go with them.

The Oklahoma City Thunder star won the NBA's top individual honor Tuesday, grabbing 119 first-place votes. Miami's LeBron James, who had won the last two MVP awards and four of the previous five, finished second with six first-place votes and Blake Griffin of the Los Angeles Clippers was third.

Durant, a 6-foot-9 forward, won his fourth scoring crown in five years this season by averaging 32 points per game. He helped the Thunder finish the regular season with a 59-23 record, second-best in the league, despite playing much of the season without their All-Star Russell Westbrook by his side because of a nagging knee injury.

"He's been the most consistent guy all season long," Westbrook said at the end of the regular season. "He's done a great job of leading us to where we are now. He's basically put himself in front of everybody else in the league and shown that he's the best player in the world."

James agreed, saying Monday: "Much respect to him and he deserves

it. He had a big-time MVP season."

Durant's run of 41 consecutive games this season with at least 25 points was the third-longest streak in NBA history. In all, he scored at least 40 points 14 times. He also averaged 7.4 rebounds and a career-high 5.5 assists while shooting 50 percent from the field.

"He does everything," New Orleans coach Monty Williams said. "You just can't recall a guy that long who can do what he does every single night. Shooting from 30 feet on the floor with confidence and driving to the basket and dunking on guys, and then go post up, and on top of it, a great teammate and good kid."

Durant moved to the front of the pack while Westbrook was out following his most recent knee surgery. Durant averaged 35 points and 6.3 assists during that stretch as the Thunder went 20-7 and remained among the league's elite. Westbrook's injury gave Durant an opportunity to use his improving skills as a playmaker.

"I've always been a player that was excited for my teammates' success," Durant said. "Not just mine, but my teammates' as well. Wanting to see

them do well translates to my game, which is wanting to pass the ball and seeing my teammates reap the benefits."

Teammates and opponents say Durant became a more complete player this season. They praised him for improving his court vision, consistently making the extra pass and moving more efficiently without the ball.

"What he does is tough to do," teammate Nick Collison said. "I think we take it for granted. To be able to stay on for long periods of time — have to cut hard, catch the ball in the right spot and defend on the other end — is tough to do. To be able to show that shows that he has an edge to him. He doesn't take a night off."

Durant's slight build could be considered one of his few weaknesses, but he has especially improved in dealing with opponents who try to push him around. "People have been trying to do that since he's been in the league, and obviously, he's just gotten better every season, so I don't really think that matters with him," Westbrook said. "He just takes on the challenge. When people try to be physical, he takes on the challenge and becomes more aggressive."



The Oklahoma City Thunder's Kevin Durant (35) shoots in the third quarter against the Miami Heat's LeBron James (6) at American Airlines Arena in Miami on Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2014. The Thunder won, 112-95.

Pedro Porral | El Nuevo Herald | MCT photo

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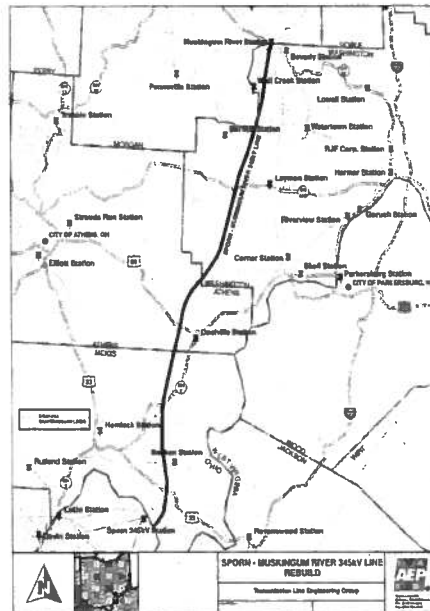
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Pomeroy, Ohio 45769  
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Mr. Randy Scott Smith  
Mr. Michael W. Barnum  
100 East 2nd Street, #301  
Pomeroy, Ohio 45769

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Mr. Eugene N. Triplett  
33410 Rockspings Road  
Pomeroy, Ohio 45769

**Meigs County Planning Department**  
Mr. Perry Varnadoe  
238 West Main Street  
Pomeroy, Ohio 45769

**Chester Township Trustee**  
Mr. Elmer Curtis Newell  
46220 Ervin Drive  
Pomeroy, Ohio 45769

**Chester Township Trustee**  
Mr. Ray Alan Hohor  
34421 Dairy Lane  
Pomeroy, Ohio 45769

**Chester Township Trustee**  
Mr. Rodney Lee Kaller  
47289 State Route 248  
Long Bottom, Ohio 45743

**Chester Township Fiscal Officer**  
Mr. Philip Raymond Werry  
45545 Township Road 67  
Chester, Ohio 45720

**Mayer Julian Scott Hill**  
Village of Racine  
405 Main Street  
Racine, Ohio 45771

**Letart Township Board of Trustees**  
Ms. Joan Ellen Manuel  
Mr. Christopher Tod Wolfe  
Mr. David Cole Graham  
Mr. Michael Lee Roush  
49457 State Route 338  
Racine, Ohio 45771

**Orange Township Trustee**  
Mr. Ernest Hultbert Calaway  
44875 State Route 681  
Cookville, Ohio 45723

**Orange Township Trustee**  
Mr. Gerald Wayne Burke  
40501 Summer Road  
Reedsville, Ohio 45772

**Orange Township Trustee**  
Mr. Roger Allen Ritchie  
47976 State Route 681  
Reedsville, Ohio 45772

**Orange Township Fiscal Officer**  
Ms. Deborah Joan Watson  
4245 Woods Road  
Coolville, Ohio 45723

**Sutton Township Board of Trustees**  
Mr. Laurence C. Ebersbach, Trustee  
Mr. Jerry Lee Hayman, Trustee  
Mr. Larry C. Smith, Trustee  
Mr. Roger William Hysell, Fiscal Officer  
31681 Pleasant View Road  
Racine, Ohio 45771

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700 Morrison Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230  
Attention: Edward Gilbert,  
Project Manager

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## FFA

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and recording sales and work along the way FFA members submit their work on each level and are given time to correct mistakes before submitting final work.

The state degree is one step below the American degree that FFA members can only attain after graduating from high school.

"There are all these benchmarks where you have to make so much money, do so much community service and work so many hours," said Alexis Coffman, a junior and

the president of Warren FFA and one of the state degree recipients. "Then usually you get the state degree as a junior."

Coffman lives on a dairy farm where she milks and feeds calves and markets her animals, and plans on continuing her work to eventually attain her American degree.

The degrees are like levels you would attain taking a foreign language," she said. "As the levels increase the pool of people goes down, so it becomes more of an accomplishment when you get this."

Becca Griffin, also a junior and the group's secretary, keeps animals of her own on

Coffman's family farm, and completes landscaping and lawn care work for family and neighbors for a profit.

"As long as you work hard at what you do, you can attain it," she said. "We even came in on snow days this year to make sure we were prepared."

Hellwig, as an advisor, has to supervise student work and continuously help keep records up to date.

"I'm proud of them, and we want as many people as we can to achieve this," she said. "It's a great thing for resumes to show you've done all this."

State degree recipients must have already achieved a

chapter degree, have completed two years of agricultural education and have earned at least \$1,000, or have worked at least 300 hours outside of schedule class time, among other requirements, including 25 hours of community service.

"We have 80 in our chapter alone, and some of the other schools only have about 40, so that bigger pool means we have more opportunities for people to achieve this," Coffman said.

## House

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buyer, said this was also his first campaign experience.

"It was a grueling process. But I've enjoyed talking to people and listening to them about their problems and dreams, which made me really want to get in there and work for them," he said. "And even if I don't win, I've always been involved with the community, and I will work to get (Dennis) elected in any way I can. We need someone who

will be a servant to the people of this district."

Leslie Haas, chairwoman of the Washington County Republican Party Executive Committee, expressed disappointment with the low turnout for Tuesday's election.

"People just don't understand what a privileged right we have in this country," she said. "I think people pay less attention to an off-year primary, but every election, every candidate and every issue is important."

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

AEP Ohio Transmission Company (AEP Ohio Transco) has proposed to improve the transmission system in southern Ohio by upgrading two existing 345-kVolt (kV) transmission lines in Athens, Morgan, and Washington counties in Ohio and Mason County in West Virginia.

The purpose of the Sporn-Muskingum River 345-kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project is to upgrade two 345-kV circuits using existing right of way between Muskingum River Station in Ohio and Waterford Station in Ohio and Sporn Station in West Virginia. The project will traverse through Doctort, Fairfield, Palmer, Waterford and Watertown townships in Washington County as well as Canabaga, Rome and Troy townships in Athens County, Chester, Leart, Orange and Sutton townships in Morgan County, Windsor Township in Morgan County, and Mason County in West Virginia. The project is approximately 50 miles in length. The total project will be an approximate \$70 million investment by AEP in its transmission system with a \$60 million investment in Ohio and \$10 million investment in West Virginia. Construction is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2014.

The project is known as the Sporn-Muskingum River 345-kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project. As required by Ohio Revised Code Section 4906.11 D1, AEP Ohio Transco has filed a Letter of Notification with the Ohio Power Siting Board, under Case No. 14-0684-EL-BLN. This number should be included in all communications with respect to this proceeding.

The project meets the requirements for a Letter of Notification because it is within the types of projects defined by Item 4(a) of Attachment A of the interim process defined in the OPSSB Sept. 4, 2012, Finding and Order in Docket 12-1991-GE-BRO. This states that a project qualifies for a Letter of Notification if the project is:

- (4) Replacing electric power transmission structures with a different type of structure(s) or adding structure(s) within an existing electric power transmission line and
- (a) Two miles or less of new right of way is required.

Petitions to intervene in or comment on the Letter of Notification will be accepted by the siting board up to 10 days following the publication date of this notice required by Rule 4906.5-BRC(1). OAC Petitions should be addressed to Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 and must cite Case No. 14-0684-EL-BLN.

The accompanying map depicts the project area. It should be noted that due to the reduced scale and limited detail, this map should be used only as a general guide. Copies of the actual Letter of Notification, including specific details about the location and construction are available for public inspection at the following locations:

**Washington County Public Library**  
Mr. Justin Mayo, Director  
615 Fifth Street  
Marietta, Ohio 45750  
740 373-1057

**Ohio Power Siting Board**  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
190 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793  
614-466-3292

Electronic versions of the Letter of Notification can be found at <http://www.aeptransmission.com/ohio/> and at the Ohio Power Siting Board website at <http://opsb.ohio.gov>. Search under current cases for Case No. 14-0684-EL-BLN.

The following local city and county government officials have been served with a copy of the application as required by state of Ohio Power Siting Board regulations (Please note that local city and county government officials have been



served copies in all the counties this project traverses. For a complete list please contact the number below:

**Washington County Board of Commissioners**  
Mr. Timothy C. Irvine  
Mr. David Arthur White  
Mr. Ron L. Feathers  
223 Putnam Street  
Marietta, Ohio 45750

**Washington County Engineer**  
Mr. Roger E. White  
103 Westview Avenue  
Marietta, Ohio 45750

**Decatur Township Trustee**  
Mr. James C. Irvin  
90 Burke Hollow Road  
Little Hocking, Ohio 45742

**Decatur Township Trustee**  
Mr. Terrence L. Mayle  
6532 State Route 555  
Little Hocking, Ohio 45742

**Decatur Township Trustee**  
Mr. Terry L. Welch  
819 Robert Kelly Road  
Cutler, Ohio 45724

**Decatur Township Fiscal Officer**  
Ms. Tray Lynn Joseph  
1008 Boggy Hollow Road  
Cohville, Ohio 45733

**Fairfield Township Trustee**  
Mr. Jeremy D. Gribble  
603 Hickman Road  
Waterford, Ohio 45786

**Fairfield Township Trustee**  
Mr. Darrell Joseph Huck  
3810 Tick Ridge Road  
Vincent, Ohio 45784

**Fairfield Township Trustee**  
Mr. Patrick Eugene Gates  
1310 Dixon Road  
Cutler, Ohio 45724

**Fairfield Township Fiscal Officer**  
Mr. Martin B. Clark  
334 Union Cemetery Road  
Cutler, Ohio 45724

**Palmer Township Trustee**  
Mr. Alan Ray Hill  
395 Denby Road  
Waterford, Ohio 45786

**Palmer Township Trustee**  
Mr. Randy K. Pugh  
1290 Pugh Road  
Stockport, Ohio 43787

**Palmer Township Trustee**  
Mr. George Edward Shaffer  
460 Shaffer Road  
Waterford, Ohio 45786

**Palmer Township Fiscal Officer**  
Ms. Jennifer L. Bosner  
283 Shaffer Road  
Waterford, Ohio 45786

**Waterford Township Trustee**  
Mr. James Randall Harper  
517 Story Run Road  
Beverly, Ohio 45715

**Waterford Township Trustee**  
Mr. Timothy C. Rossiter  
908 Park Street  
Beverly, Ohio 45715

**Waterford Township Trustee**  
Mr. Douglas Allen McCutcheon  
1187 Coryhill Road  
Waterford, Ohio 45786

**Waterford Township Fiscal Officer**  
Ms. Lori Ann Schilling  
350 Ray Har Road  
Beverly, Ohio 45715

**Watertown Township Trustee**  
Mr. Thomas Joseph Neill  
14274 State Route 339  
Waterford, Ohio 45786

**Watertown Township Trustee**  
Mr. Douglas B. Patis  
3440 Watertown Road  
Waterford, Ohio 45786

**Watertown Township Trustee**  
Mr. Walter E. Morris  
2297 Turkeyhen Road  
Flaming, Ohio 45729

## Watertown Township Fiscal Officer

Ms. Annette Marie Schott  
90 Plum Run Road  
Waterford, Ohio 45786

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### Proof of Publication

I, Walt Dozier, do hereby attest that the AEP Legal Notice did appear in the following newspaper as ordered:

Morgan County Herald	5/7/14
Athens Messenger	5/8/14
Pomeroy, Daily Sentinel	5/7/14
The Marietta Times	5/7/14

Walt Dozier  
Walt Dozier

5/16/14  
Date

State of Ohio  
County of Franklin

On this day, the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014 before me, Patricia A. Conkle, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Walt Dozier, proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name was subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed it.

Witness my hand and official seal.



Patricia A. Conkle  
Notary Public, State of Ohio  
My Commission Expires 06-17-2014

Patricia A. Conkle  
Notary Public

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