

BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

In the Matter of the Construction Notice)
Application for the Panda Road 138-kV) **Case No. 14-1120-EL-BNR**
Transmission Line Extension Project)

**MOTION FOR WAIVER OF
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER OHIO TRANSMISSION COMPANY**

Pursuant to Rule 4906-1-03, Ohio Administrative Code, American Electric Power Ohio Transmission Company (“AEP Ohio Transco”) moves the Ohio Power Siting Board (“Board”) for a waiver allowing AEP Ohio Transco to submit the above-captioned project as a Construction Notice. As discussed further in the accompanying memorandum in support, while the project meets the requirements of a Letter of Notification, good cause exists for granting this waiver and allowing AEP Ohio Transco to submit the project as a Construction Notice.

WHEREFORE, AEP Ohio Transco respectfully requests that the Ohio Power Siting Board grant a waiver allowing AEP Ohio Transco to submit the above-captioned project as a Construction Notice.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

I. Introduction

Access Midstream Partners, L.P. (“Access”) has requested AEP Ohio Transco to provide 138kV service to a compressor station located in Lee Township, Carroll County, Ohio. To meet Access’ requirements, AEP Ohio Transco plans on constructing a new 138kV line. This project will be known as the Panda Road 138kV Transmission Line Extension Project. The full project length is 0.27 miles.

II. Argument

Good cause exists for granting this waiver and permitting AEP Ohio Transco to proceed with the Panda Road project as a Construction Notice. First, the project is being constructed to meet the requirements of Access’ compressor station, which is projected to be operational in September 2014. The 42-day approval timeline under a Construction Notice (as opposed to the 90-day approval process under a Letter of Notification) will help ensure the Panda Road project is completed in time to supply service to Access’ compressor station. Second, because the existing land in the project area consists of reclaimed strip mine and the majority of the area is being used for industrial activities, socioeconomic and environmental impact studies (both requirements under a Letter of Notification but not under a Construction Notice) are unnecessary for this project. Finally, under the interim application matrix attached to the September 4, 2012, Finding and Order in Case No. 12-1981-GE-BRO, the length of the Panda Road project is only .07 miles (370 feet) too long to qualify as a Construction Notice (i.e., under item 1(c) of the interim matrix). Given this de minimis addition length, the industrial nature of the project area, and the customer’s

construction schedule, good cause exists for granting this waiver and permitting AEP Ohio Transco to proceed with the Panda Road project as a Construction Notice.

III. Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, good cause exists for granting this waiver and for allowing AEP Ohio Transco to submit the above-captioned project as a Construction Notice. Due to the construction schedule discussed above, AEP Ohio Transco has submitted the Panda Road project as a Construction Notice contemporaneously with this motion pending the Board's decision on this waiver request.

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