BEFORE THE POWER SITING BOARD OF THE STATE OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Construction Notice Application by American Transmissions Systems, Incorporated for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Lemoyne Substation Expansion

Case Number: 14-1177-EL-BNR

Members of the Board:

Chairman, Public Utilities Commission Director, Development Services Agency Director, Department of Health Director, Department of Aging Director, Environmental Protection Agency Director, Department of Natural Resources Public Member Ohio House of Representatives Ohio Senate

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 August 21, 2014, 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 August 21, 2014, 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,

Patrick Donlon Executive Director Ohio Power Siting Board (614) 644-8932 ContactOPSB@puc.state.oh.us

OPSB STAFF REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

Case Number:	14-1177-EL-BNR	
Project Name:	Lemoyne Substation Expansion	
Project Location:	Wood County	
Applicant:	American Transmission Systems, Incorporated	
Application Filing Date:	July 9, 2014	
Filing Type:	Construction Notice	
Inspection Date:	August 8, 2014	
Report Date:	August 13, 2014	
Automatic Approval Date:	August 21, 2014	
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 a minor expansion of the Lemoyne Substation. The substation currently occupies 690,419 square feet. The overall substation footprint would increase by approximately 3,200 square feet, along the southern boundary. The proposed expansion is needed to facilitate the installation of a new 345 kilovolt (kV) circuit breaker. This would accommodate the addition of a new 345 kV transmission line into the substation (ref: 13-1800-EL-BLN).

Site Description

No new right-of-way or easements are required. Land use in vicinity of the substation is primarily agricultural.

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: Staff Report of Investigation electronically filed by Ms. Yvonne W Inman on behalf of Staff of OPSB