

BEFORE THE POWER SITING BOARD OF THE STATE OF OHIO

**In the Matter of the Letter of Notification Application by )**  
**American Transmissions Systems, Incorporated for a )**  
**Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public ) Case Number:**  
**Need for the Burger-Knox 138 kV Transmission Line ) 14-0786-EL-BLN**  
**Tap to Stacy Substation )**

Members of the Board:

Chairman, Public Utilities Commission	Ohio House of Representatives
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Director, Environmental Protection Agency	
Director, Department of Natural Resources	
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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 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  
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## OPSB STAFF REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

**Case Number:** 14-0786-EL-BLN  
**Project Name:** Burger-Knox 138 kV Transmission Line  
Tap to Stacy Substation  
**Project Location:** Archer Township, Harrison County, Ohio  
**Applicant:** American Transmission Systems, Incorporated  
**Application Filing Date:** May 22, 2014  
**Filing Type:** Letter of Notification  
**Inspection Date:** June 11, 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 the installation of approximately 150 feet of 138 kilovolt (kV) transmission line and four associated wood structures. The line is needed to provide a tap source for an anticipated filing by South Central Power Company. It is expected that South Central Power will need an additional 1,715 feet of new transmission line to connect their existing Stacy Substation to the proposed Burger-Knox Transmission Line Tap.

### Site Description

The project is surrounded by vacant fields and wooded lots. Staff has reviewed the Applicant's access plan to ensure that mechanized encroachment to a nearby stream is avoided. The Applicant plans to utilize existing access roads for all needed ingress and egress.

### Conclusion

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