

Legal Department

October 31, 2014

Honorable Thomas W. Johnson Ohio Power Siting Board Attorney Examiner Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Steven T. Nourse Senior Attorney (614) 716-1608 (614) 716-2950 (F) stnourse@aep.com

Re: PUCO Case No. 13-0430-EL-BTX Biers Run-Circleville

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/Steven T. Nourse
Steven T. Nourse

Attachments

NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

The project is known as the Blers Hun-Ci-cleville 1384V fransmission Line Project. As required by Chio Revised Code Section 4906, AEP Chio seeks a Certificate of En-veronmental Compribibity and Public Need from the state of Otio Power Sring Board.

DATE, TIME AND LOCATIONS OF PUBLIC HEARING

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(a) the first local public hearing, pursuant to Section 4930.08(C). Revised Cado, where the perts of the pe

(b) an adjudicatory hearing commencing at 10 am., Friding November 14, 2014, 1 th Rocc Hearing Room 11-0, at the offices of the Public United Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Strent, Columbias, Ohio, 43215-3793. The hearing on November 14, 2014, at the PLCO offices is open to the public, has participation is limited to the parties in the case as defined by OPC 4906.09

This is the second notice published regard-ing this projects respective hearing dates. The first notice was published September 17, 2014, in the Chillicothe Gazette and the Circleville Horald.

The application for a Cardificate of Entronmental Compatibility and Public Need is pending before the state of Dise Power Saring Beard The application has been assured Case Number 13-03-03-03. E-ITX. This number should be included in el communications with respect to this project.

Petitions to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing will be excepted by the board up to 30 days following publication of the notice required by the 4598-596(10). O.A.C., or by Ciciaber 20, 2014, whicheve is letter However, the board strongly encourages interested persons who with to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing to file their petitions are early as possible. Petitions should be addressed to Pablic Utilities Commission of Disc, 190 East Broad Street, Columbus, Disc, 42515-3739 and cite Case Number 13-0430-EL-BTM.

The proposed Biers Run-Circleville transmission line is part of the overall Biers han Froject, which includes the proposed Biers Run-Rupetwo-Polana 138-4V transmission line. The Othio Power String Board cartified AEP Drivis application for the proposed Biers Run-Rupetwo-Polana 138-4V transmission line. The Othio Power String Board cartified AEP Drivis application for the per-posed Biers Run-Rupetwo-Polana 1884 policy Biers Run-Rupetwo-Delano line in Jerusay 27114

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An electronic version of the siting applica-tion can be found at the Ohio Power String Board website at http://opsb.ohio.gov. Search under current cases for Case Num-ber 13-0430-EL-BTX.

The following local city and county govern-ment efficials have been served writh a copy of the application as required by state of Otto Power String Board regulations:

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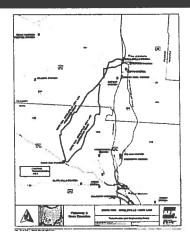
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The state power siting board has served the following state agencies with copies of the application.

- Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
 Dhio Department of Agriculture
 Ohio Department of Development
 Ohio Department of Health
 Ohio Department of Natural

- Resources
 Ohio Department of Transportation
 Dhio Environmental Protection Agency
 Ohio Historical Society

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For more information about the Biers Run Project, please visit AEP Ohio's Transmis-sion Project web page at http://www.aep-transmission.com/ohio/



AEP Ohio Transmission Company 700 Morrison Road Gahenne, Ohio 43230 Attention: Shawn Malone, Project Manager

NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

AEP Ohio, a unit of American Electric Power (AEP), and the AEP Ohio Transmission Company, propose to construct a new 138-kilovolt (V) electric transmission line in Ross and Pickaway

The project is known as the Biers Run-Circleville 139-KV Transmission Line Project. As required by Otio Revised Code Section 4506, AEP Ohio seeks a Cartificate of Environmental Conspatibility and Public Need from the state of Ohio Power Siting

DATE, TIME AND LOCATIONS OF PUBLIC

The public hearing in this case shall consist of two parts:

(a) the first local public hearing, pursuant to Section 4506.08(C). Revised Code, where the Power String Board shall accept written or oral testimory from any person. This non-religidistation's hearing will begin at 6 p.m. Wednesday, November 5, 2014, at the Flower School of Developmental Disabilities, 1/286 Courry Road 550, Chilicotte, Offic, 45501; a second public hearing will begin at 6 p.m. Thursdey, November 6, 2014, at the Armets Post 2556, 818 Tartton Road, Circleville, Ohio 43113; and

(b) an adjudicatory hearing commencing at 10 a.m., Friday, November 14, 2014, 11th Floor, Hearing Room 11-0, at the offices of the Public Unificies Commission of Olino, 100 East Broad Street, Columbus, Olino, 42215-3793. The heering on November 14, 2014, at the PUCO offices in open to the public, but perticipation is limited to the perties in the case as defined by ORC 4800.08.

This is the second notice published regarding this project's respective hearing dates. The first notice was published September 17, 2014, in the Chillicothe Gazette and the Circloville Herald.

The application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is pending before the state of Otho Power String Board. This application has been assigned Case Number 13-0430-EL-BTX. This number should be included

Petitions to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing will be accepted by the board up to 30 days following publication of the notice required by Rule 4506-6400C(1), (1.2 A.C., or by October 20, 2014, whichever is letter, However, the board strongly encourages interested persons who wish to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing to file their petitions are set as a particular petition as each be addressed to Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 100 East Plead Street, Columbus, Ohio, 42315-3793 and cits Case Number 13-0430-E1-BTM.

The proposed Biers Run-Circleville transmission line is part of the overall Biers Run Project, which includes the proposed Biers Run-Hospiston and the proposed Biers Run-Hospiston-Dellano 133-kV transmission fam. The Orite Power Strag Beard certified APP Ohio is application for the proposed Biers Run Substation in Sept. 2013. APP Ohio Ried its application for the Biers Run-Hoppstown-Delano line in January 2014.

The proposed Biers Run-Circleville line will ex-tend from Biers Run Substation to the existing Circleville Substation. The Biers Run-Circleville Substation. The Biers Run-Circleville line will be approximately 15 miles long, de-pending on the route selected. The fire will Rebry traverse Deerfield and Union toverships in Ross Country and Circleville, Deer Creek, Jackson and Weyne townships in Pickaway County.

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AEP Ohio will invest an estimated \$37 million into overall project. The Biers Run-Circleville line investment will be approximately \$23 million. This line will provide an estimated \$1 million in tax revenue annually for the commanity. The Biers Run Substantion investment is approximately \$18 million and is estimated to contribute more than \$1 million and usely in tax revenue for the commanity. The Biers Run-Hopptown-Delano time investment will be approximately \$17 million. This line is expected to provide more than \$500,000 in tax revenue armusity for the community.

The accompanying map depicts the two pro-posed line roctes for the Biers Run-Circleville line, It should be noted that the to the reduced scale and limited detail, this map should be used only as a genoral golds. Copies of the schull str-ing application, including specific details about the location and construction are available for public inspection at the following locations:

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or District Public Library 1160 North Court Street Circleville, Ohio 43113 740-477-1644

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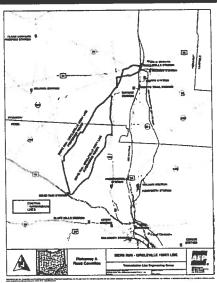
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- The basis of need for the facility;
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- The facility represents the minimum adverse environmental impact, consider-ing the state of available technology, the nature and economics of alternatives and other pertinent considerations;

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- The facility will serve the public interest, convenience and necessity;
- The facility's impact on the viability as agricultural land of any land in an existing agricultural district established under Chapter 929 of the Revised Code that is located within the site of the proposed major utility facility, and
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The chairman of the power sitting board shall cause each application filed with the board to be investigated and shall, not less than 15 days prior to the date any application is sof for hearing, sobmit a written report to the located and to the applicant. A copy of such report shall be made evaluable to any person upon request. Such report shall set forth the nature of the investigation and shall contain recommended findings with regard to division (A) of Section 4506.10 of the Revised Code and shall become part of the record and served upon all parties to the proceeding.

For more information about the Biers Run Project, please visit AEP Ohio's Transmission Project web page at http://www.aeptransmission.com/ohio/

concern about the project, please call the AEP Ohio Transmission Project Information Line tolfree at 1-477-215-3251 or sand an email inquiry to beschmied@aep.com.



AEP Ohio Transmission Company 700 Morrison Road Gahanna, Ohio 43230



Affidavit of Publication

State of Ohio County of Franklin) ss.

Being duly sworn, Walter Dozier says as follows: the AEP Legal Notice did appear in the following newspaper as ordered:

Chillicothe Gazette Circleville Herald

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Sworn to and subscribed in my presence this 23 day of October, 2014

Notary Public

Patricia A. Conkle Notary Public, State of Chio My Commission Expires 06-17-19

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Summary: Proof of Pub -Biers Run-Circleville electronically filed by Mr. Steven T Nourse on behalf of AEP Ohio Transmission Company