### BEFORE THE POWER SITING BOARD OF THE STATE OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Construction Notice Application by	`
Monongahela Power Company for a Certificate of	)
<b>Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the</b>	Case Number
Corner-Parkersburg 138 kV Transmission Line	) 14-2036-EL-BNR
Reconductor	)

# Members of the Board:

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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 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 **January 14, 2015**, 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.

Please present any concerns you or your designee may have with this case to my office at least four business days prior to **January 14, 2015,** which is the automatic approval date.

Sincerely,

Patrick Donlon

Interim Executive Director Ohio Power Siting Board

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### OPSB STAFF REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

Case Number:	14-2036-EL-BNR	
Project Name:	Corner-Parkersburg 138 kV Reconductor	
Project Location:	Washington County	
Applicant:	Monongahela Power Company	
Application Filing Date:	December 2, 2014	
Filing Type:	Construction Notice	
Inspection Date:	December 19, 2014	
Report Date:	January 5, 2015	
itomatic Approval Date: January 14, 2015		
Waiver Requests:	None	
Staff Assigned:	J. Whitis, R. Huckleberry, A. Holderbaum	
Summary of Staff Recommendations (see discussion below):		
Application: Approval Disapproval Approval with Conditions		
Waiver: Approval Disapproval Not Applicable		

### **Project Description**

Monongahela Power Company proposes to reconductor approximately 0.05 miles of the existing Corner-Parkersburg 138 kilovolt (kV) Transmission Line within the state of Ohio. Monongahela Power will replace the existing 336 ACRS conductor with new 336 ACSS conductor on the existing Corner-Parkersburg 138 kV Transmission Line that extends approximately 0.33 miles from the existing Parkersburg Substation, located in Wood County, West Virginia, to American Electric Power Company's Tower #2, located in Washington County, Ohio. Construction of the project would begin March 1, 2015 and be completed by June 1, 2015.

# **Site Description**

Approximately 0.05 miles of the project is located in Washington County, Ohio, and approximately 0.28 miles of the project is located in Wood County, West Virginia. The area is mainly residential, and no new structures would be installed as part of the proposed project. This project is entirely located on the existing right-of-way for the Corner-Parkersburg 138 kV Transmission Line.

### **Capital Cost**

The capital cost for this project is estimated at \$369,000.

#### Conclusion

The project would alleviate import capacity limitations, improve thermal overloads under certain contingency situations, and add capacity to the Belpre/Parkersburg area for future growth.

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Summary: Staff Report of Investigation electronically filed by Mrs. Yvonne W Cooper on behalf of Staff of OPSB