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Ms. Barcy F. McNeal, Secretary  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: **In the Matter of the Notification for Inland-  
Harding (S-8) 345 kV Transmission Line  
Structure Replacement Project  
Case No. 14-2131-EL-BLN**

Dear Ms. McNeal:

Enclosed for filing are the original and 1 copy of the proof of publication in the above-captioned case. The public notice appeared in the December 17, 2014 in The Cleveland Plain Dealer.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Robert J. Schmidt, Jr.  
Attorney for Applicant American Transmission Systems, Inc.

Enclosure

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## BUDISH

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He also would not commit to maintaining staffing cuts made by outgoing Executive Ed Fitzgerald that targeted the county's patronage-biased payroll. "I'm not going to say yes or no to that," Budish said. "But [hiring] won't be patronage-driven, I can assure you of that."

**Denies being insider:** Some critics view Budish, a 61-year-old former minority leader and speaker of the Ohio House, as a Democratic insider and his victory as a setback to the county's post-reform momentum.

When asked about that portrayal, Budish, who ran for his first elected office at the age of 53, said with a chuckle, "I've never been viewed by the insiders as an insider."

"It's funny that's been mentioned, because I wasn't even in politics until eight years ago."

**Addresses big-ticket projects:** Budish said he's not sure how he'll address competing needs for overhauls of the MetroHealth campus and the county's Justice Center, which houses the county's Common Pleas Court, County Jail, county prosecutor's office and Cleveland Police Department.



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In an interview Tuesday, Armond Budish offered few details on his plans to lead Cuyahoga County.

among other agencies. The two projects are likely to cost in the hundreds of millions of dollars.

"Something needs to be done in both of these cases," Budish said. "We're talking about a lot of money. And I don't know where that money is coming from yet. We have a balanced budget, and that's a good thing. But I don't know that we have a whole lot more capacity for new building projects given the current economic of the county budget."

**Zinga 'win tax':** Oh win tax. We barely knew thee.

For those who don't remem-

ber, Fitzgerald floated the idea of tying funding for public stadium improvements in part to on-the-field performance of the teams who play in the facilities.

He called his proposal the "win tax," a play on the county's "sin tax" on alcohol and cigarettes that pays for stadium upkeep.

Budish wouldn't commit when asked how he might divide the sin tax revenue, other than to indicate he's talked with Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson about the subject.

But pressed on whether on-the-field performance might

be a factor, Budish said with a smile: "I don't think that's gotten a lot of traction."

**Reconnects with county employees:** Budish has been careful to not bash Fitzgerald, who spent the second half of his four-year term running for governor, while articulating possible areas of improvement for the county.

That said, on Tuesday he said that county employees have welcomed meetings he scheduled with them but that they expressed skepticism whether he'll still be interested six months from now.

"I guess they haven't seen administration officials much," Budish said, and then, appearing to catch himself, added, "Of course, people get busy."

**Reaches out to Republicans:** Budish has been on a whirlwind listening tour, talking to community and political leaders of all stripes.

Among his first post-election meetings was with Republican County Councilman Jack Schen, whom Budish defeated in the Nov. 4 election.

"Great meeting," Budish said.

Budish said he's also contacted Republican Gov. John Kasich, whose support he may eventually need. Although his role as a state representative involved frequently lobbying partisan cri-

tics against Republican legislation, Budish said he doesn't think his new job will require much of a change.

"I don't think there's going to be any difficulty in taking a different tack here and working together, which we ultimately did when I was a speaker. We did come together on key pieces of legislation," he said.

Budish went on to describe some Republican lawmakers as friends, but he agreed, jokingly, that some of them might not publicly acknowledge as much.

**Leaves his TV show:** Budish said he'll be walking away from his law practice, as well as his long-standing role as the host of "Golden Opportunities," his weekly infomercial that focuses on issues facing senior citizens. Budish did take a hiatus from the show during his campaign.

That means Budish will no longer have business ties to the county's subsidized MetroHealth System, which was an advertiser on the TV show.

"That's an ongoing process. Tonight I have to go pack boxes," he said.

He said he hopes the show will continue in his absence.

**Repeats 'personal better' approach:** Budish said he would retain the county's 59 cities and villages a share of money for

demolition of blighted structures, or what he described as a "personal better approach."

He said that when spending money, he prefers targeting areas that are most in need.

"There's always that, no matter what group you're in, there's a drive for spreading things like peanut butter," he said. "One of our jobs [as county executives] will be to try to avoid that."

**Hints at priorities:** Budish may have been vague about his possible policy initiatives, but he did talk about his policy interests.

Budish said he wants to promote Lake Erie as an economic asset, while preventing the water contamination that left Toledo temporarily without drinking water last summer.

He also said he hopes to tackle infant mortality by encouraging all eligible residents to enroll in Medicaid, the government-subsidized health care program for the poor.

Finally, he said he'd like to see the county's economic development efforts more aligned with social services and education.

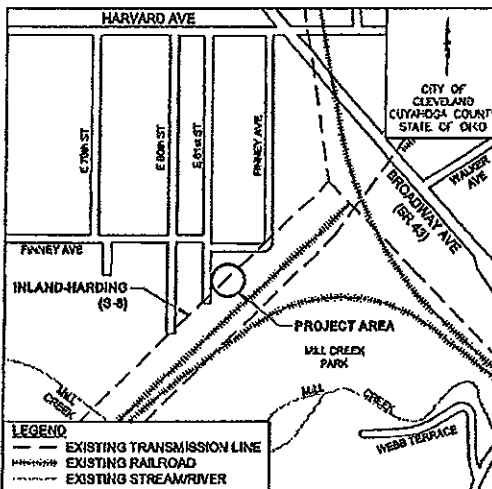
"If someone comes in for Medicaid, we need to talk about offering them training so they can get off government help so they can be sustainable on their own. I think that's what people want, and the county needs to support that," he said.

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## NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

American Transmission Systems, Incorporated (ATSI), a FirstEnergy Company, proposes to construct the Inland-Harding (S-8) 345-kVolt (KV) Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project (Project), in a Letter of Notification Application submitted to the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board) for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need.

The proposed Project is located within existing transmission line right-of-way in the City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. ATSI proposes to add a steel monopole transmission structure with concrete foundations next to existing Structure #15517 on the Inland-Harding (S-8) 345 KV Transmission Line. The new structure #15517A will be placed within existing right-of-way 30 feet to the northeast of existing structure #15517, which will remain. The new structure will be located along E 81st St 0.2 miles south of the intersection with Harvard Ave.



The following public officials and agencies have been served with copies of the Application as required by the Ohio Power Siting Board regulations:

Mr. Ed Fitzgerald, Cuyahoga County Executive  
Ms. C Ellen Connelly, Cuyahoga County Council President  
Mr. Jack Schen, Cuyahoga County Council District 6  
Ms. Jeanne Schlotzer, Cuyahoga County Clerk of Council  
Mr. Nathan Kelly, Cuyahoga County, Planning Commission Chair  
Mr. Glenn Coyne, FAICP, Cuyahoga County, Planning Commission Executive Director  
Mr. Bonita Teowen, P.E., Cuyahoga County, Director of Public Works  
The Honorable Frank G. Jackson, City of Cleveland, Mayor  
Mr. Kevin J. Kelley, City of Cleveland, Council President  
Mr. Anthony Brancatelli, City of Cleveland, Ward 12 Councilman  
Ms. Patricia J. Britt, City of Cleveland, Clerk of Council  
Mr. Freddie Collier, City of Cleveland, Planning Commission Director

A copy of the Application is available for public inspection at the offices of the Ohio Power Siting Board, c/o Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Utilities Department, 12th Floor, Borden Building, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793, www.ospsohio.gov.

A copy of the Application has been sent to the following libraries:

Fleet, Cleveland Public Library, 7224 Broadway Avenue, Cleveland, OH, 44105  
Garfield Heights, Cuyahoga County Public Library, 5409 Turney Road, Garfield Heights, OH, 44125

A Letter of Notification Application for a certificate to construct, operate, and maintain the above named electric transmission line facility is now pending before the Board. The Inland-Harding (S-8) 345 KV Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project has been assigned Docket No. 14-2131-EL-BLN, and the docket number should be referenced in all communications about this proceeding.

In accordance with the Ohio Power Siting Board regulations (Admin. Code Rule 4906.0-08), the following sections of the Ohio Revised Code plus additional information are shown.

## Section 4906.10(A)

(A) The Power Siting Board shall render a decision upon the record after granting or denying the Application as filed, or granting it upon such terms, conditions, or modifications of the construction, operation, or maintenance of the major utility facility as the Board considers appropriate. The certificate shall be conditioned upon the facility being in compliance with standards and rules adopted under sections 1501.33, 1501.34, and

4561.32 and Chapters 3704, 3734, and 6111 of the Revised Code. The period of initial operation under a certificate shall expire two years after the date on which electric power is first generated by the facility. During the period of initial operation, the facility shall be subject to the enforcement and monitoring powers of the director of environmental protection under Chapters 3704, 3734, and 6111 of the Revised Code and to the emergency provisions under those chapters. If a major utility facility constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of its certificate is unable to operate in compliance with all applicable requirements of state laws, rules, and standards pertaining to air pollution, the facility may apply to the director of environmental protection for a conditional operating permit under division (3) of section 3704.03 of the Revised Code and the rules adopted thereunder. The operation of a major utility facility in compliance with a conditional operating permit is not in violation of its certificate. After the expiration of the period of initial operation of a major utility facility, the facility shall be under the jurisdiction of the Environmental Protection Agency and shall comply with all laws, rules, and standards pertaining to air pollution, water pollution, and solid and hazardous waste disposal.

The Board shall not grant a certificate for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a major utility facility, other as proposed or as modified by the Board, unless it finds and determines all of the following:

- (1) The basis of the need for the facility if the facility is an electric transmission line or gas or natural gas transmission line;
- (2) The nature of the probable environmental impact;
- (3) That the facility represents the minimum adverse environmental impact, considering the state of available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives, and other pertinent considerations;
- (4) In the case of an electric transmission line or generating facility, that the facility is consistent with regional plans for expansion of the electric power grid of the electric systems serving this state and interconnected utility systems and that the facility will serve the interests of electric system economy and reliability;
- (5) That the facility will comply with Chapters 3704, 3734, and 6111 of the Revised Code and all rules and standards adopted under those chapters and under sections 1501.33, 1501.34, and 4561.32 of the Revised Code. In determining whether the facility will comply with all rules and standards adopted under section 4561.32 of the Revised Code, the Board shall consult with the Office of Aviation of the Division of Multi-Modal Planning and Programs of the Department of Transportation under section 4561.341 of the Revised Code.
- (6) That the facility will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity;
- (7) In addition to the provisions contained in divisions (A)(1) to (6) of this section and rules adopted under those divisions, what its impact will be on the viability as agricultural land of any land in an existing agricultural district established under Chapter 829 of the Revised Code that is located within the site and alternative site of the proposed major utility facility. Rules adopted to evaluate impact under division (A)(7) of this section shall not require the construction, creation, substitution, or production of any information, document, or other data pertaining to land not located within the site and alternative site.
- (8) That the facility incorporates maximum feasible water conservation practices as determined by the Board, considering available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives.

## Section 4906.07. Public hearing on application

(A) Upon the receipt of an application complying with section 4906.06 of the Revised Code, the Power Siting Board shall promptly fix a date for a public hearing thereon, not less than sixty nor more than ninety days after such receipt, and shall conclude the proceeding as expeditiously as practicable.

(B) On an application for an amendment of a certificate, the Board shall hold a hearing in the same manner as a hearing is held on an application for a certificate if the proposed change in the facility would result in any material increase in any environmental impact of the facility or a substantial change in the location of all or a portion of such facility other than as provided in the alternatives set forth in the application.

(C) The chairman of the Power Siting Board shall cause each application filed with the Board to be investigated and shall, not less than fifteen days prior to the date any application is set for hearing submit a written report to the Board and to the applicant. A copy of such report shall be made available 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 4906.10 of the Revised Code and shall become part of the record and served upon all parties to the proceeding.

At this time, no public hearing has been scheduled.

## 4906.08(C). Parties - testimony

(C) The Board shall accept written or oral testimony from any person at the public hearing, but the right to call and examine witnesses shall be reserved for parties. However, the Board may adopt rules to exclude repetitive, immaterial, or irrelevant testimony.

## Intervention

Persons to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing will be accepted by the Board up to 10 days following publication of this notice as required by the order issued in Docket No. 12-1981-GE-BRO or later if good cause is shown. However, the Board strongly encourages interested persons who wish to intervene to file their petitions as early as possible. Petitions should be addressed to the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 and cite the above-listed case number (Docket No. 14-2131-EL-BLN).