



Legal Department

Chairman Thomas W. Johnson  
Ohio Power Siting Board  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

January 26, 2015

**Re: Construction Notice for the Portsmouth Area Structure Relocation  
Project  
Case No. 15-0098-EL-BNR**

Ajay Kumar  
Regulatory Services  
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Dear Chairman Johnson:

In accordance with rules 4906-5-02(B) and 4906-11-02, Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC"), AEP Ohio Transmission Company ("AEP Ohio Transco") submits this Construction Notice for expedited approval. The expedited processing fee will be submitted under separate cover. Construction of the project is scheduled to begin in March 2015 and the project is scheduled to be placed in-service in June 2015.

As required by rule 4906-11-02(C), OAC, AEP Ohio Transco has submitted a copy of the enclosed Construction Notice to the chief executive officer of each municipal corporation and county and the head of each public agency charged with protecting the environment or of planning land use in the area in which the proposed project will be located. Attached to the Construction Notice are copies of the letters that have been submitted.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ajay Kumar  
Ajay Kumar

Attachments

**CONSTRUCTION NOTICE**

**FOR THE**

**PORTSMOUTH AREA**

**STUCTION RELOCATION PROJECT**

**PUCO Case No. 15-0098-EL-BNR**

**Submitted pursuant to OAC 4906-11-02**

**AEP Ohio Transmission Company**

**January 2015**

# **CONSTRUCTION NOTICE**

## **Portsmouth Area Structure Relocation Project**

AEP Ohio Transmission Company is providing the following information in accordance with the procedures delineated in Ohio Administrative Code Section 4906-11-02: Construction Notice Requirements of the Rules and Regulations of the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB).

### **4906-11-02(B) General Information**

**1. The name of the project.**

The name of this project is the *Portsmouth Area Structure Relocation Project* (Project) and the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) Case number is 15-0098-EL-BNR.

**2. A brief description of the project, including a map depicting the facility's location and the reason why the project meets the requirements for a construction notice.**

The Project consists of the modification of AEP Ohio Transmission Company 's existing 138 kilovolt (kV) transmission lines along the following segments due to the Ohio Department of Transportation's Portsmouth Bypass Project. All replacement structures will be within the existing 100-feet AEP Ohio Transmission Company right-of-way (ROW) corridor. The proposed work activities include:

- Lucasville – Sargents 138 kV Transmission Line – replacement of Structures 15, 16, 17, and 18 with taller steel H-frame structures. Structure 17 will be shifted approximately 40 feet north of the existing structure 17, and structure 18 will be replaced with a 3-pole steel angled structure.
- Sporn – Portsmouth 138 kV Transmission Line - The existing lattice Tower 215 will be removed and replaced with a self-supporting steel pole deadend structure and will be shifted approximately 50-feet east along the current centerline.

- South Point – Portsmouth 138 kV Transmission Line – The existing lattice Tower #138 will be removed and replaced with two new steel deadend structures (Structures#138A and #138B).

The Project is located in Harrison and Valley Townships, and Lucasville (a census designated place) in Scioto, County Ohio (Figure 1).

The Project meets the requirements for a Construction Notice because it is within the types of projects defined by in Ohio Administrative Code Section 4906-11-01 Item 9 of Appendix A “Application Requirement Matrix for Electric Power Transmission Lines,” which state:

*(9) Replacement or relocation of an electric power transmission line and associated facilities where the project is required by publically funded entities and is located on or adjacent to right-of-way or land owned by the public entity requiring the project.*

**3. If the proposed construction notice project is an electric power transmission line or gas or natural gas transmission line, a statement explaining the need for the proposed facility.**

Work on the Portsmouth Bypass 138kV lines is being driven by the Ohio Department of Transportation’s (ODOT) new highway construction known as the Portsmouth Bypass. The Portsmouth Bypass is a four-lane, divided, limited-access highway around the City of Portsmouth in Scioto County, Ohio. The highway, to be designated State Route 823 will comprise 16 miles of four lane divided highway, bypassing approximately 26 miles of US 52 and US 23 through Portsmouth.

**4. The anticipated construction schedule and proposed in-service date of the project.**

Access road construction and tree clearing is scheduled to begin in the end of February 2015. Construction of the 138 kV transmission line modifications are expected to begin in March 2015, and is scheduled to be in service June 2015.

**5. The estimated cost of the project.**

The following estimated capital costs for the proposed project have been tabulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Electric Plant

Transmission Accounts:

| FERC ACCOUNTS                   | ESTIMATED CAPITAL COSTS (\$) LUCASVILLE – SARGENTS LINE |                  |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------|
|                                 | Material  | Labor            |
| Overhead Conductors and Devices | \$6,300   | \$91,700         |
| Poles and Fixtures              | \$200,600   | \$536,900        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>\$206,900</b>  | <b>\$628,600</b> |

| FERC ACCOUNTS                   | ESTIMATED CAPITAL COSTS (\$) SPORN - PORTSMOUTH LINE |                  |
|---------------------------------|--|------------------|
|                                 | Material   | Labor            |
| Overhead Conductors and Devices | \$8,200  | \$65,500         |
| Poles and Fixtures              | \$167,800  | \$400,300        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>\$176,000</b>                                     | <b>\$465,800</b> |

| FERC ACCOUNTS                   | ESTIMATED CAPITAL COSTS (\$) SOUTH POINT - PORTSMOUTH LINE |                    |
|---------------------------------|--|--------------------|
|                                 | Material   | Labor              |
| Overhead Conductors and Devices | \$402,000  | \$1,630,600        |
| Poles and Fixtures              | \$26,800   | \$286,100          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>\$428,800</b>   | <b>\$1,916,700</b> |

**6. A description of the operating characteristics, estimated number and types of structures required, and right-of-way and/or land requirements.**

Transmission Line Data

The proposed line will be designed and operated at 138kV. Figures 3 through 5 show the typical steel pole structures to be installed for the Project. The Lucasville – Sargents line will consist of 636 ACSR (26/7) Grosbeak conductor, one 5/16 ESH and one 84 sqmm 20 Fiber shield wire. The Sporn – Portsmouth line will consist of 477 ACSR (26/7) Hawk conductor, and one 159 ACSR 12/7 Guinea shield wire. The new South Point – Portsmouth span will consist of 795 (26/7)

drake conductor, and 96 Fiber OPGW will be installed and supported by the structures.

The existing lines are located on easements that were obtained by Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company, now known as Ohio Power Company. All new structures will be located within the existing transmission line ROW. Property owners will be notified of the transmission line Project prior to the commencement of construction activities while working within our existing easement.

**7. An area map of not less than 1:24,000-scale clearly depicting the facility's centerline with clearly marked streets, roads, and highways, and clearly written instructions for locating and viewing the facility.**

The Lucasville – Sargents line is located within the United States Geological Survey (USGS) Lucasville quadrangle, and the Sporn – Portsmouth / South Point – Portsmouth lines are located within the USGS Minford quadrangle (Figure 1). Figure 2 has been prepared to show the Project location with aerial photography. To locate and view the Lucasville – Sargents line from the City of Portsmouth, Ohio, travel US-23 north for 10 miles, turn right onto OH-728, take first left onto Fairground Road, take first right onto Thomas Hollow Road. The Lucasville – Sargents line is located approximately 0.65 mile down Thomas Hollow Road.

To locate and view the South Point – Portsmouth line from the City of New Boston, Ohio, follow US 52 east and take the exit toward OH-335. Take a slight left onto Gallia Street, continue onto Winchester Avenue for approximately 0.2 mile. Turn left onto Harding Avenue, follow for 1.2 miles. Turn left onto Swauger Valley Road, take first right onto Dutch Ridge Road. The South Point - Portsmouth ROW is located approximately 0.35 mile down Dutch Ridge Road. Project activities are located to the east of Dutch Ridge Road. To view the Sporn – Portsmouth line, continue northeast along Dutch Ridge Road. Turn right onto Stout Hollow Road. The Sporn – Portsmouth ROW is located approximately 0.1 mile down Stout Hollow Road. Project activities are located east of South Hollow Road.

**8. A list of properties for which the applicant has obtained easements, options, and/or land use agreements necessary to construct and operate the facility and a list of the additional properties for which such agreements have not be obtained.**

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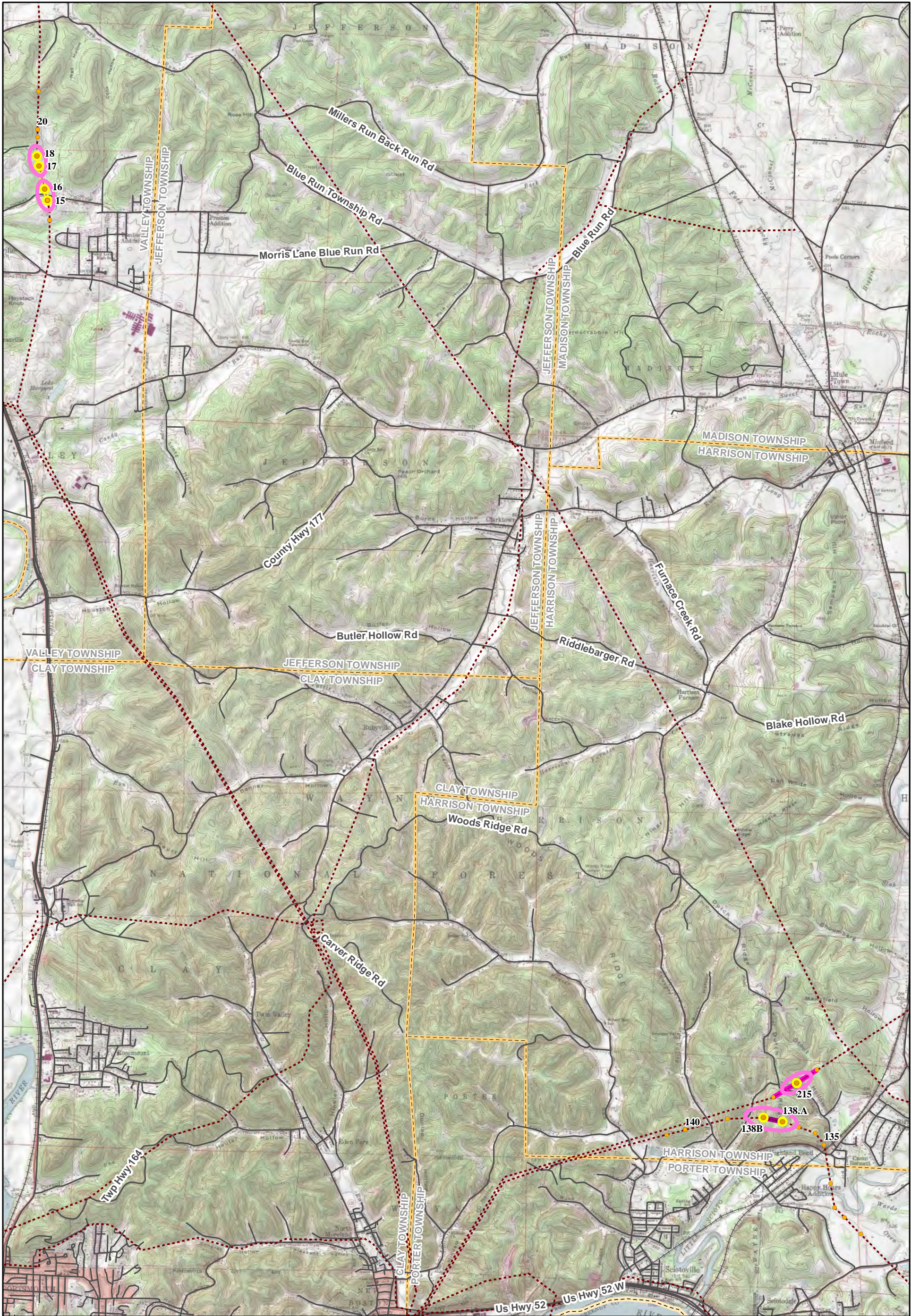
## ***Appendix A***

### ***Figures***

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- Existing Structure
- Proposed Structure (Portsmouth Bypass Project)
- Lucasville-Sargents 138 kV Alignment (Portsmouth Bypass Project)
- South Point-Portsmouth 138 kV Alignment (Portsmouth Bypass Project)
- Sporn-Portsmouth 138 kV Alignment (Portsmouth Bypass Project)
- Existing Transmission Lines (Not part of project)
- Structural Fixes
- Roads
- Railroads

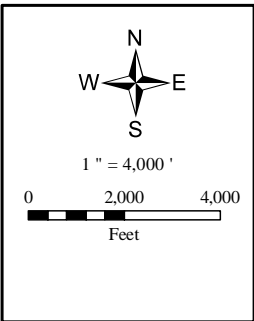


Figure 1

The State of Ohio

Scioto County:  
Harrison, Valley, and Porter Townships

NAD 1983 StatePlane Ohio South FIPS 3402 Feet  
Foot US  
Lambert Conformal Conic  
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Portsmouth Bypass  
138 kV

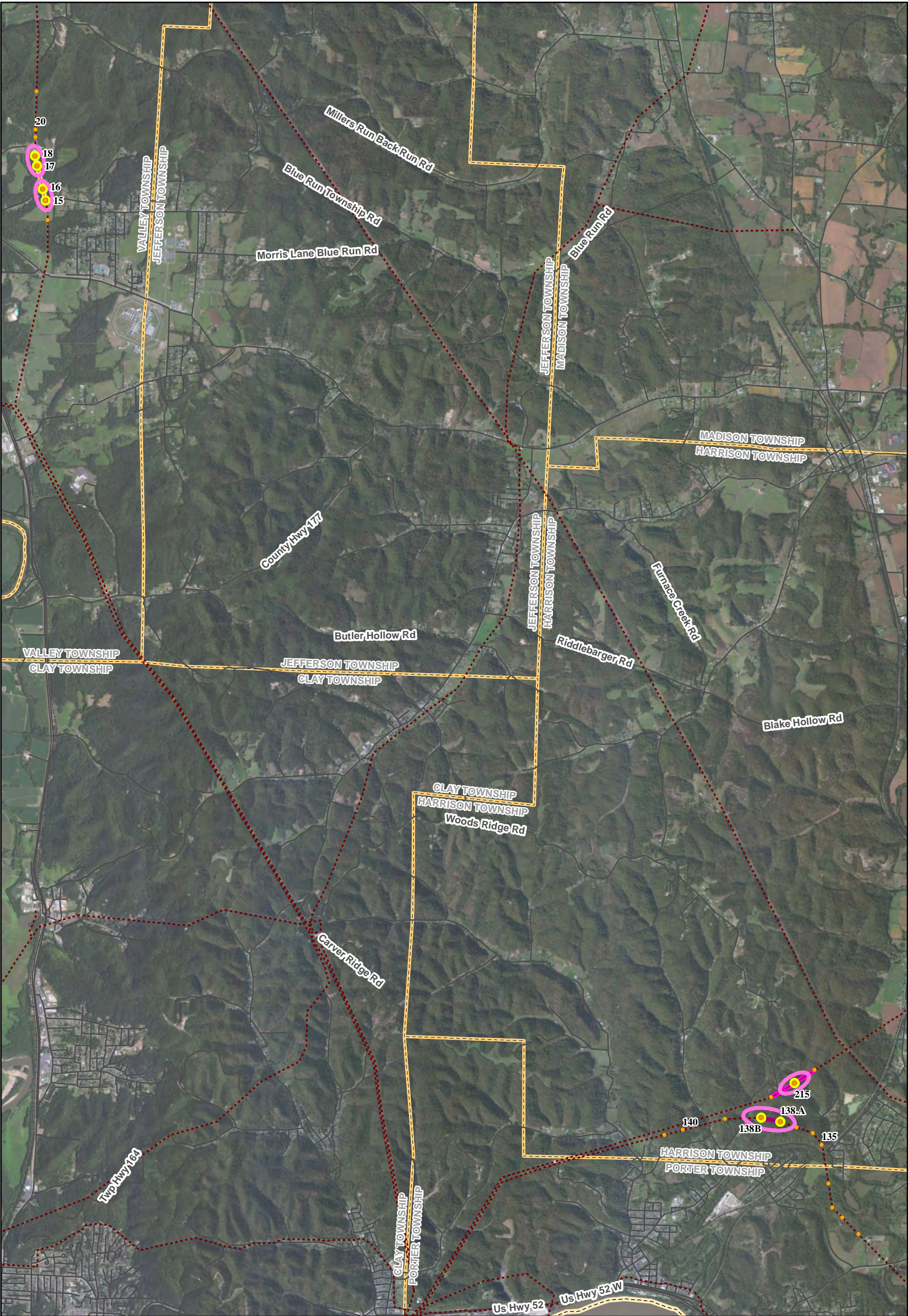
Project Location

**AEP TRANSMISSION**

**POWER ENGINEERS**



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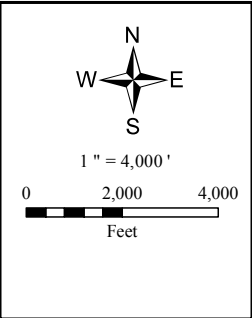


Figure 2

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Map – Aerial Imagery

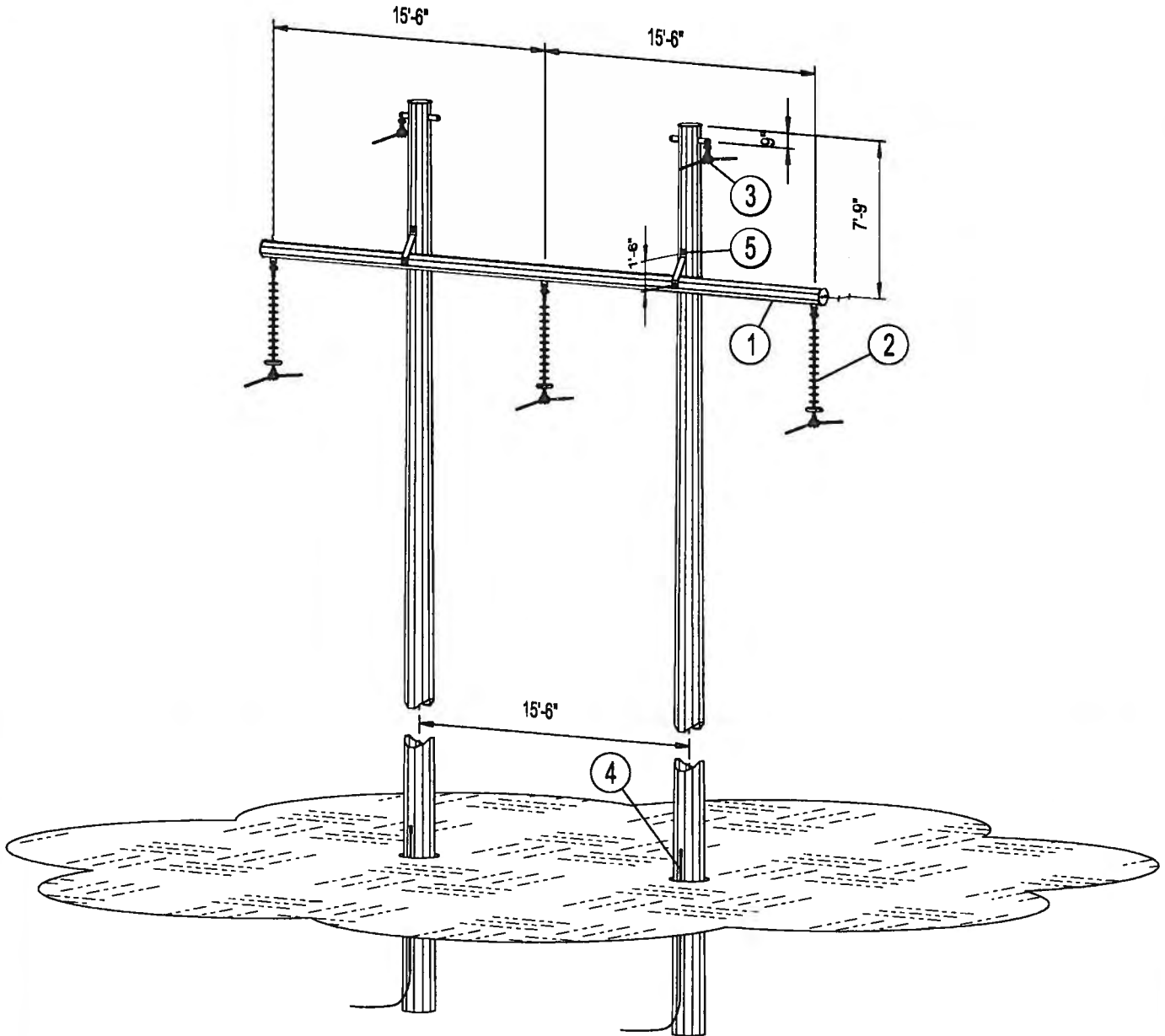
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# REF. DRAWINGS

| ITEM | QTY. | ASSEMBLY  | DESCRIPTION  |
|------|------|-----------|--|
| 1    | 1    | 74D0-1268 | 138KV LIGHT SUSPENSION CROSSARM 32 FT - CONCRETE OR STEEL H-FRAME - GALVANIZED |
| 2    | 3    | 11B6-2722 | 138KV SUSPENSION INSULATOR, POLYMER, 25K, W/CORONA RING                        |
| 3    | 2    | 30T0-1102 | OHGW, SUSPENSION, CONCRETE, STEEL OR WOOD POLE                                 |
| 4    | 2    | 21SE-1456 | GROUND ROD FOR DIRECT EMBEDDED STEEL POLE                                      |
| 5    | 2    | 71A0-1359 | A325 1IN - HIGH STRENGTH BOLT, CONCRETE, STEEL OR WOOD                         |

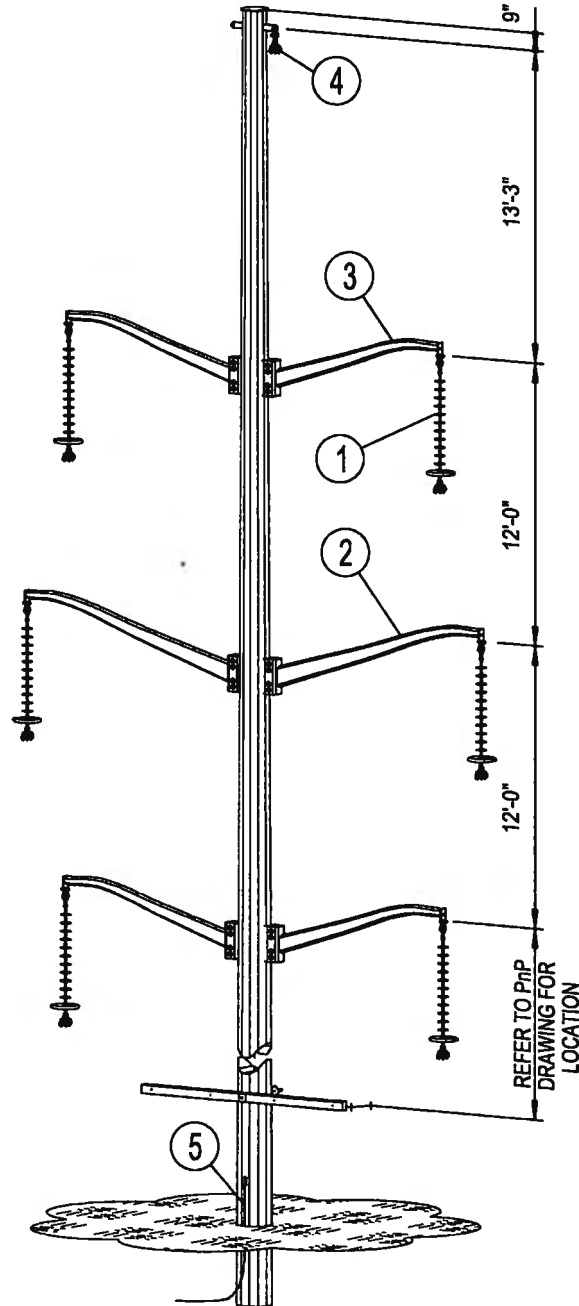


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| REV   | DESCRIPTION | BY           | DATE           |  |  | <b>TRANSMISSION LINE STANDARDS</b><br><b>POLYMER - 138KV LIGHT SUSPENSION</b><br><b>W/CORONA RING,</b><br><b>H-FRAME, GALVANIZED STEEL</b> |                   |
|-------|-------------|--------------|----------------|---|--|--|-------------------|
| ENGR: | DRAWN: SAS  | CHECKED: McP | APPROVED: JCN  |   |  | DRAWING No.  | SHEET No.         |
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| 1    | 6    | 11B6-2722 | 138KV SUSPENSION INSULATOR, POLYMER, 25K, W/CORONA RING            |  |
| 2    | 2    | 62D0-1244 | DAVIT, SINGLE, 10 FT 0 IN, FIXED VANG, THRU VANG CONNECTION, 50KSI |  |
| 3    | 4    | 62C0-1242 | DAVIT, SINGLE, 8 FT 0 IN, FIXED VANG, THRU VANG CONNECTION, 50KSI  |  |
| 4    | 1    | 30T0-1102 | OHGW, SUSPENSION, CONCRETE, STEEL OR WOOD POLE                     |  |
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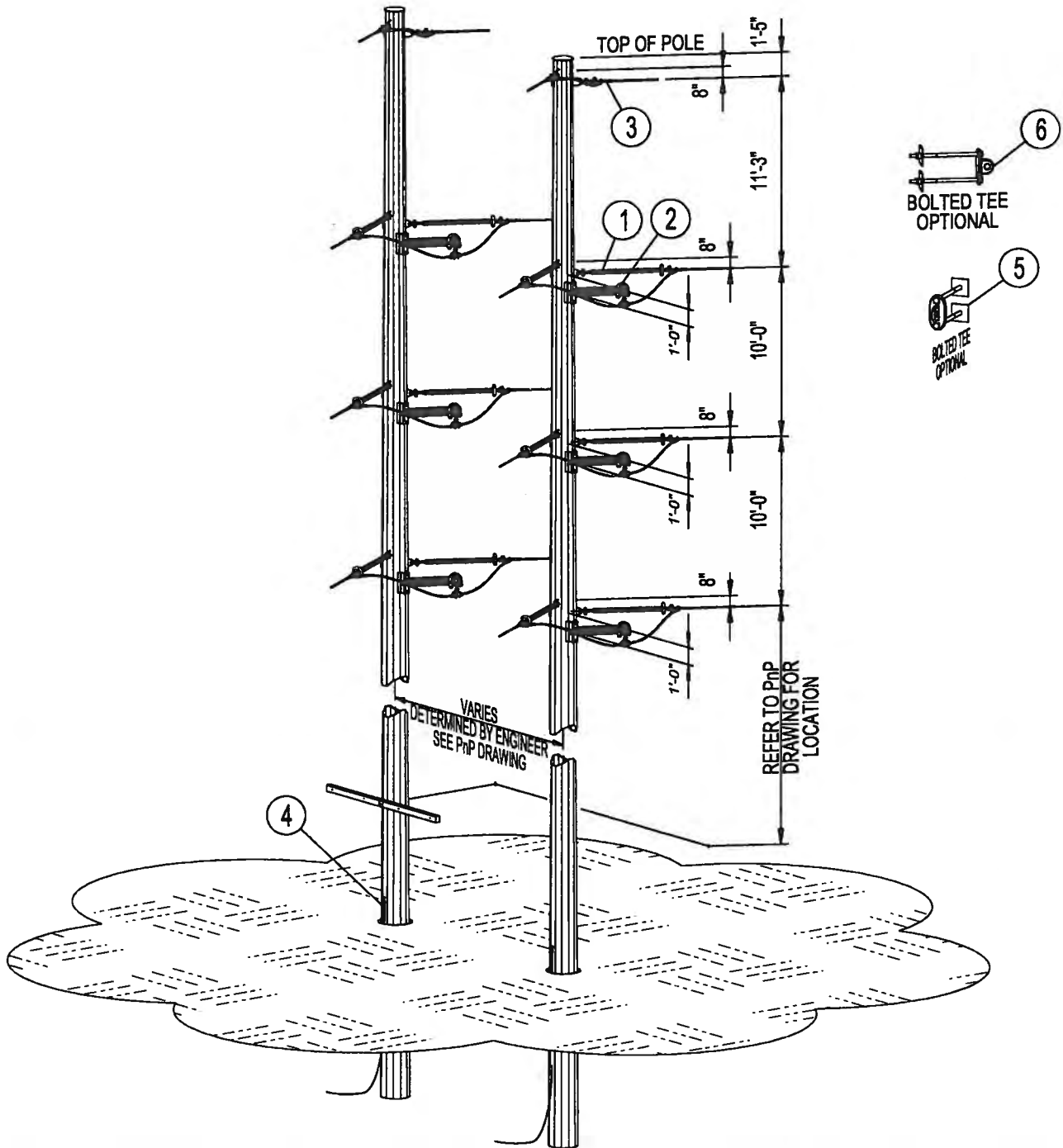
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| 1  | REVISED ARM CALL-OUTS | McP | 03/19/13 | POLYMER - 138KV DOUBLE CIRCUIT, VERTICAL, DAVIT ARM, SUSPENSION W/CORONA RING, STEEL, W/ THRU VANGS |           |          |
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| 1    | 12   | 14B6-2743 | 138KV DEAD END INSULATOR, POLYMER, 25K, W/CORONA RING               |
| 2    | 6    | 12B5-2728 | 138KV INSULATOR, POLYMER, HORIZONTAL POST, SUSPENSION W/CORONA RING |
| 3    | 4    | 30D0-1104 | OHGW, DEAD-END CONCRETE, STEEL OR WOOD POLE                         |
| 4    | 2    | 21SE-1456 | GROUND ROD FOR DIRECT EMBEDDED STEEL POLE                           |
| 5    | 12   | 71A0-1233 | 7/8 IN FLAT DEAD-END TEE  |
| 6    | 4    | 71A0-1231 | 3/4 IN FLAT DEAD-END TEE  |



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***Appendix B***

***Public Officials Letters Serving Copy of Letter of  
Notification***



American Electric Power  
700 Morrison Road  
Gahanna, OH 43230

January 19, 2015

Scioto County Planning Department  
Mr. Todd Book, Director  
617 Court Street  
Portsmouth, OH 45662

RE: Construction Notice  
Portsmouth Area Structure Relocation Project  
Case Number: 15-0098-EL-BNR

Dear Mr. Book:

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Please feel free to contact me at 614-552-1929 and I would be happy to answer any questions concerning this project.

Sincerely,

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Brett E. Schmied  
Project Outreach Specialist  
American Electric Power

cc: Curtis Perry, Project Manager



American Electric Power  
700 Morrison Road  
Gahanna, OH 43230

January 19, 2015

Harrison Township Fiscal Officer  
Ms. Sandra K. Brisker  
237 Wheelers Mill Road  
Wheelersburg, OH 45694

RE: Construction Notice  
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Dear Ms. Brisker:

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Harrison Township Trustee  
Mr. Robert L. Raby  
2701 Glades Road  
Minford, OH 45653

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Harrison Township Trustee  
Mr. Calvin H. Seibert  
10499 State Route 139  
Minford, OH 45653

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Portsmouth, OH 45662

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