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Test case against DuPont begins in federal court

The Associated Press

COLUMBUS — The first of two test cases that could potentially help settle more than 3,500 lawsuits against chemical giant DuPont has begun in federal court in Ohio.

The initial lawsuit alleges the Wilmington, Del.-based company knew about but failed to publicize potentially dangerous risks posed by a chemical that its plant near

Parkersburg, W.Va., had been depositing into the Ohio River.

The thousands of cases against the company say DuPont's decades-long dumping of perfluorooctanoic acid, also known as C8, into local drinking water has caused serious disease, including cancer.

The lawsuit being heard in Columbus federal court involves claims by Carla

Bartlett, an Ohio woman who said she developed kidney cancer in 1997 from drinking water contaminated by C8 discharged from DuPont's plant. DuPont's Washington Works plant near Parkersburg used C8 to make Teflon and other products.

Unlike in a class-action lawsuit, plaintiffs in the litigation against DuPont require their own lawsuit because each case involves specific individ-

ual medical issues.

An epidemiologist testified Wednesday that DuPont knew the potential dangers of the chemical it was dumping into the river for decades but declined to inform the public, the Columbus Dispatch reported.

The company drafted news releases that detailed some of their findings about the chemical as early as 1984 but never released them, said Dr.

Michael Siegel.

DuPont has no liability for Bartlett's cancer, a DuPont attorney told the federal jury in opening remarks Tuesday.

"Just because C8 is capable of causing cancer doesn't mean that it did," said attorney Damond Mace.

The trial, expected to last four weeks, is the latest development in a yearslong battle between DuPont and residents of the Mid-Ohio Valley, along the Ohio River.

About 80,000 area residents filed a class-action lawsuit against the company in 2001. It resulted in a settlement in which DuPont agreed to pay as much as \$343 million for residents' medical tests, the removal of as much C8 from the area's water supply as possible and a science panel's examination into whether C8 causes disease in humans.

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boy, and I loved to figure out what made things work. So I would drag home radios and portable televisions and coffee pots from people's trash."

His father would have rather he didn't do that.

"Unfortunately, we had the cleanest house in town," Scichilone continued. "My dad hated junk. I would come home from school thinking I would play with something I brought home and my dad had thrown it away. But it was out of concern. He was worried that I was either going to electrocute myself or burn down the house."

Most of Scichilone's furniture, which no one else in the family wanted, belonged to his deceased aunt and uncle.

"My aunt and uncle built a house in 1963," he said. "My aunt was kind of a classy lady, and she had all mid-century style furnishings back when a lot of other people didn't have it. It wasn't that big in Northeast Ohio. When I was about 9 or 10 years old, we went over to see their new house and furniture. To me it was like walking into the Jetsons' house. There was all of this neat, wild stuff."

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

American Transmission Systems, Incorporated (ATSI)), a FirstEnergy Company, proposes to construct the Black River-Lorain 138 kV Transmission Line Loop to Charleston Substation ("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 Project is proposed to be located in new transmission line right-of-way in the City of Lorain County, Lorain County, Ohio. The Project proposes to extend the existing Black River-Lorain 138 kV Transmission Line as a loop approximately 0.5 mile (2,700 feet) in and out of the proposed Charleston Substation. The Project is being proposed to meet a request of The United States Steel Corporation for a separate transmission service connection from ATSI.

The map displays the proposed transmission line loop in Lorain County, Ohio. It shows the intersection of various roads including E 28th St, E 29th St, E 30th St, E 31st St, E 32nd St, E 33rd St, E 34th St, and E 35th St. The proposed transmission line is shown as a solid line, while existing lines are dashed. The map also indicates the location of the Charleston Substation and the Black River-Lorain 138 kV line. A legend identifies symbols for existing towers, proposed wood structures, existing distribution structures, proposed transmission lines, existing transmission lines to remain, and existing distribution lines to remain. The map is titled 'CITY OF LORAIN, LORAIN COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO'.

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

- Mr. Ted Kalo, Lorain County Commissioners President
- Ms. Lori Kokoski, Lorain County Commissioners Vice President
- Mr. Tom Williams, Lorain County Commissioner
- Mr. Donald Romancak, Lorain County Community Development Director
- Mr. Ken Carney, P.E., P.S. Lorain County Engineer
- Mr. Chase Ritenauer, City of Lorain Mayor
- Mr. Leon Mason, City of Lorain Building, Housing, and Planning Director
- Mr. Dale Vandersommen, P.E. City of Lorain Engineer
- Mr. Joel Arrendondo, City of Lorain Council President
- Ms. Nancy Greer, City of Lorain Clerk of Council

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.opsb.ohio.gov. A copy of the Application has been sent to the following libraries:

South Lorain Branch Library, 2121 Homewood Drive, Lorain, OH 44055

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 Black River-Lorain 138 kV Transmission Line Loop to Charleston Substation Project Application has been assigned Docket No. 15-1121-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 4906-5-08), 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 either 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 (G) 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, either 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 929. 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 compilation, creation, submission, 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 alternates 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

Petitions 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. 15-1121-EL-BLN)

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