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Barcy McNeal
Ohio Power Siting Board
Docketing Division
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Re: PUCO Case No. 15-0094-GA-BLN

Dear Ms. McNeal:

On May 5, 2015, Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., filed a letter accepting the conditions in the Staff Report in the above-referenced docket. Please find attached an executed Memorandum of Understanding between Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., and the Ohio Historic State Preservation Office that meets the second sentence of Condition 3, which states "The Applicant shall also continue to coordinate with OHPO to address impacts associated with Site 33HA0843." Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jeanne W. Kingery
Jeanne W. Kingery
Associate General Counsel

August 17, 2015

Project G140439.01

Mr. Timothy J. Zelek
Land Planner
Great Parks of Hamilton County
10245 Winton Road
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**Shawnee Lookout Park Interpretive Sign Project
Memorandum of Understanding
Ohio State Historic Preservation Office and Duke Energy, Inc.
Miami Fort Generating Station CG25 Natural Gas Pipeline Project
Whitewater Township, Hamilton County, Ohio
2014-HAM-28370**

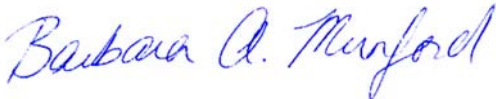
Dear Mr. Zelek:

As stipulated in the attached Memorandum of Understanding between Duke Energy, Inc. (Duke Energy) and the Ohio State Historic Preservation Office (OHPO) regarding the Miami Fort Generating Station CG25 Natural Gas Pipeline Project in Whitewater Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, in order to address proposed project impacts to Site 33HA0843, Duke Energy has agreed to support historic preservation in the region through funding of an historic preservation initiative at Shawnee Lookout Park. On behalf of Duke Energy, as per the MOU, enclosed is a check in the amount of \$8,000, issued by GAI Consultants, Inc. (GAI) to Great Parks of Hamilton County, to fund improvements to interpretative signs on the Miami Fort Trail in Shawnee Lookout Park. The Shawnee Lookout interpretive sign project is described in a June 2015 proposal, included as an attachment to the MOU. Duke Energy has requested that GAI issue this check payment on their behalf. As GAI is providing other consulting services to Duke Energy for this project, GAI will be reimbursed by Duke Energy for this payment, along with our other services.

We appreciate your assistance with fulfillment of the historic preservation initiative required by the MOU and hope that Duke Energy's funding of this project will enhance the experience of visitors to the Shawnee Lookout Park. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 412-476-2000 ext. 1203 or b.munford@gaiconsultants.com.

Sincerely,

GAI Consultants, Inc.



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cc: Mr. Steve Lane, Duke Energy
Mr. Mike Frank, GAI
Ms. Kendra Kennedy, OHPO
Mr. Mark Epstein, OHPO

Attachment: Memorandum of Understanding

ATTACHMENT 1
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN DUKE ENERGY
AND THE
OHIO STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
REGARDING THE
MIAMI FORT GENERATING STATION CG25 NATURAL GAS PIPELINE PROJECT,
WHITEWATER TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

WHEREAS, Duke Energy (Duke) plans to undertake the Miami Fort Generating Station CG25 Natural Gas Pipeline Project (the project) in Whitewater Township, Hamilton County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the project will involve installation of a new 12-inch natural gas pipeline, approximately 1.3 miles in length, to replace an existing 6-inch pipeline section and provide more natural gas capacity to the Miami Fort Generating Station; and

WHEREAS, Duke and its consultants have conducted studies to identify historic properties within the project area and assess the effect of the project on historic properties; and

WHEREAS, Duke and its consultants identified three archaeological sites (33HA0841, 33HA0842, and 33HA0843) along the proposed pipeline in the project area and recommended archaeological site 33HA0843 as eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) agreed that archaeological site 33HA0843 is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places and that the project will impact the site; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) issued a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need, pursuant to Chapter 4906 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC), for the project, which was automatically approved on May 7, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the certificate included the recommended condition as follows: "For any construction involving active disturbance of site 33HA0843, a trained archaeological consultant shall be present to ensure that no disturbance occurs outside the construction trench and to watch for any unexpected materials or features. The Applicant shall also continue to coordinate with OHPO to address impacts associated with Site 33HA0843. The results of this coordination shall be submitted to Staff to ensure compliance with this condition;" and

WHEREAS, Duke adopted and accepted said condition on May 5, 2015; and

NOW, THEREFORE, Duke and the SHPO agree that the project will be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to satisfy the condition recommended by OPSB and take into account the effect of the undertaking on historic properties.

STIPULATIONS

Duke will ensure that the following measures are carried out:

I. MONITORING

Duke will hire an archaeological consultant to monitor pipeline construction. The consultant will ensure that no disturbance occurs outside of the proposed construction trench and will watch for any unexpected archaeological materials, such as burials or significant features. If such archaeological materials are discovered, Duke will follow the procedures outlined in Stipulation IV below.

II. HISTORIC PRESERVATION INITIATIVE

In order to address the impact of the project on a historic property, Duke has agreed to support historic preservation in the region by providing funding for a historic preservation initiative. Duke will provide Great Parks of Hamilton County \$8,000 to fund improvements to approximately 20 archaeological information and interpretation signs on the 1.4-mile Miami Fort Trail in Shawnee Lookout Park (see attached proposal). Situated near the project area, Shawnee Lookout Park includes Fort Miami and the Shawnee Lookout Archeological District, both of which are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Shawnee Lookout Archeological District features prehistoric archaeological sites representing many cultures from a range of time periods.

III. DURATION

This MOU will be null and void if its terms are not carried out within one (1) year from the date of its execution. Prior to such time, Duke may consult with the other signatories about the terms of this MOU and amend it in accordance with Stipulation V below.

IV. POST-REVIEW DISCOVERIES

If any burials or significant archaeological features are found while the project is underway or unanticipated effects to historic properties are discovered—including changes to the project—Duke will stop project activities in the area of the discovery and contact the SHPO within 48 hours with information describing the discovery. All signatory parties will consult regarding whether recovery of data or additional mitigation will be added to an amended MOU, if agreed upon by Duke and the SHPO.

V. AMENDMENTS

This MOU may be amended when an amendment is agreed to in writing by all signatories.

VI. TERMINATION

If any signatory to this MOU determines that its terms will not or cannot be carried out, that party shall immediately consult with the other party to attempt to develop an amendment per Stipulation V above. If within thirty (30) days an amendment cannot be reached, any signatory may terminate the MOU upon written notification to the other signatories.

Once the MOU is terminated, and prior to work continuing on the undertaking, Duke will either (a) execute an MOU pursuant to Chapter 4906 of the OAC and Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 149.53 or (b) request, take into account, and respond to the comments of the SHPO before notifying the signatories as to the course of action it will pursue.

Execution of this MOU by Duke and the SHPO and implementation of its terms evidence that Duke Energy has taken into account the effects of this undertaking on historic properties as described in Chapter 4906 of the OAC and Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 149.53.

SIGNATORIES:**Duke Energy**

STEPHEN R. LANE Date 7/29/15
Name, Title LEADS ENV. SCIENTIST - DUKE ENERGY



Name, Title _____ Date _____

Ohio State Historic Preservation Office

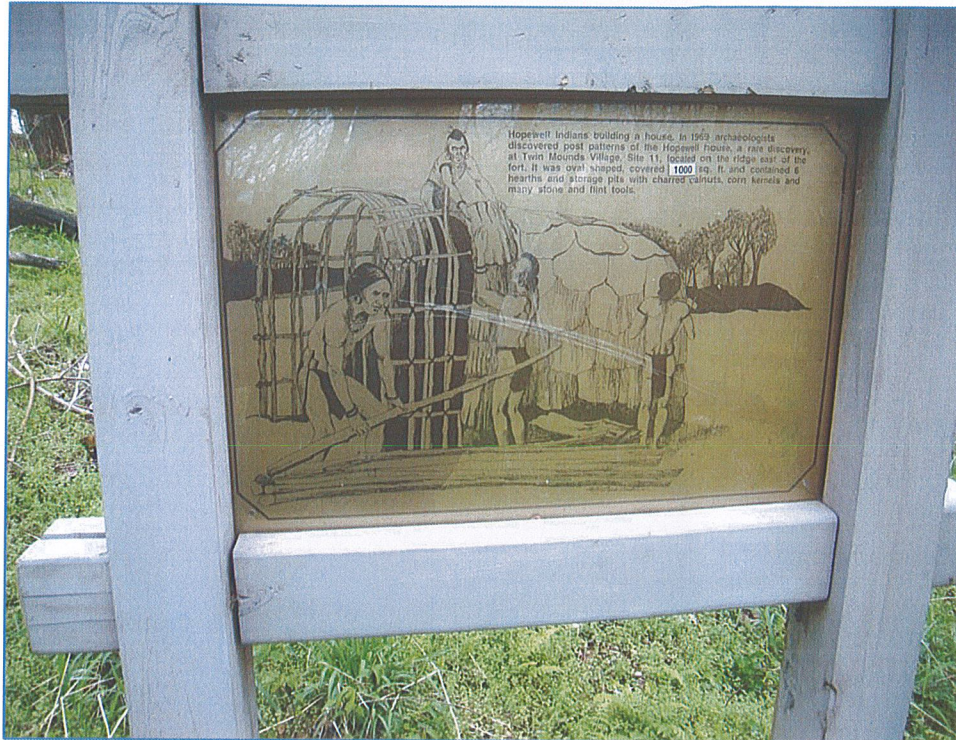
M. J. Epstein Date 8.4.15
Mark J. Epstein, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer for
Resource Protection and Review

Great Parks of Hamilton County
Proposal for Use of Mitigation Funds
Shawnee Lookout June 2015

PROJECT: PROVIDE INFORMATION AND INTERPRETIVE SIGNS FOR 1.4 MILE MIAMI FORT TRAIL AT SHAWNEE LOOKOUT.

Shawnee Lookout is a 1,515 acre park (annual visitation 75,000) managed by Great Parks of Hamilton County (see enclosed map of park). The park is located in the southwest corner of Hamilton County, at the confluence of the Ohio River and the Great Miami River. It provides outstanding views of the river valleys. The park's location, topography and climate were probably contributing factors in making it one of the longest inhabited Native American sites in North America. In 1974 the park became a major component of the nationally significant Shawnee Lookout Archeological District. The district is composed of many archaeological sites spread out over an area of 2,000 acres. The artifacts found in the park represent many cultures, including various Archaic peoples, the Hopewell tradition, and other Woodland period peoples.

Great Parks provides multiple ways for park guests to enjoy the diverse resources at Shawnee Lookout. In addition to archeological and nature programs led by naturalists, Great Parks provides three nature trails, totaling 4.7 miles in length. Located along the trails are information and interpretive signs, to enhance the guest experience. The signs, which are nearing the end of their useful life, share information about the prehistoric cultures and the excavation work completed by the University of Cincinnati in the 1960s, as well as information on the flora and fauna found in the park. To interpret the most recent archeological findings, improve the guest experience, and provide signs with current Great Parks branding, a series of new signs is proposed. A comprehensive story line will be developed to strengthen the tie between the different eras and present conditions in the park. Park Guests would benefit by having a more complete and up to date understanding of the special nature of Shawnee Lookout.



Example of existing interpretive sign



Example of existing information sign

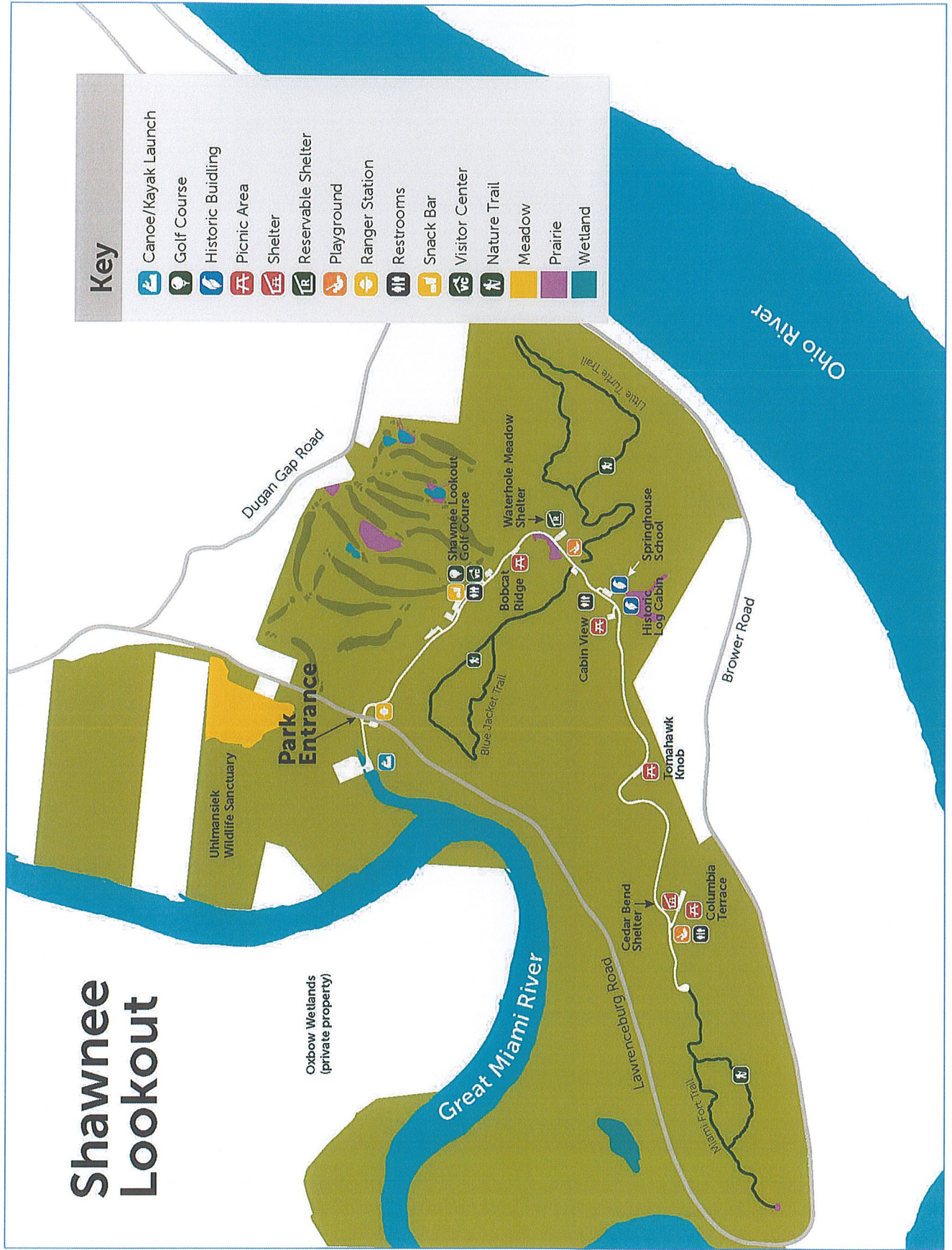
Because of the large number of signs needing replacement throughout the park, Great Parks proposes this project would be limited to replacement of approximately 20 signs along the 1.4 mile Miami Fort Trail, which includes some of the most recognized cultural artifacts in the park.

This project would include designing new signs that conform to the current Great Parks sign guidelines, fabrication of signs by a subcontractor, removal of existing signs, and installation of new signs. The work would be completed in 2016. Any cost exceeding the amount of mitigation funding would be provided by Great Parks.

The contact person for this project is Ross Hamre, Planning Director, telephone: 513-245-7455, email: rhamre@greatparks.org.

Shawnee Lookout

Oxbow Wetlands
(private property)



Key

- Canoe/Kayak Launch
- Golf Course
- Historic Building
- Picnic Area
- Shelter
- Reservable Shelter
- Playground
- Ranger Station
- Restrooms
- Snack Bar
- Visitor Center
- Nature Trail
- Meadow
- Prairie
- Wetland

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Summary: Correspondence Memorandum of Understanding electronically filed by Carys Cochern on behalf of Kingery, Jeanne W Ms.