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March 23, 2016

Re: Proof of Publication

PUCO Case No. 16-0074-EL-BLN

Timber Switch-Haviland 138kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project

Dear Chairman Porter:

Attached please find the filed public notice concerning the proposed major utility facility in the above-referenced case. The notice was published pursuant to Rule 4906-5-08, Ohio Administrative Code.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me with any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Hector Garcia

Hector Garcia

Counsel for AEP Ohio Transmission Company



Affidavit of Publication

State of Ohio County of Franklin} ss.

Being duly sworn, Walter Dozier says as follows: AEP Notice did appear in the following newspaper as ordered:

Paulding Progress

3/2/16

Walter Dozier

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence this

__day of March, 2016

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Patricia A. Conkle Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires 06-17-19 Notary Public

Recorded in Franklin County

NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

AEP Ohio Transmission Company (AEP Ohio Transco) proposes to improve the transmission system in northwestern Ohio by upgrading an existing 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line in Benton and Blue Creek townships in Paulding County in Ohio and Allen County in Indiana.

The purpose of the Timber Switch-Haviland 138-kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project is to rebuild a 138-kV transmission line using existing right of way. AEP Ohio Transco will build the new line using standard double-circuit 138-kV structures. The project will help improve and maintain the quality of electric service and reliability to the northwestern Ohio area. The Timber Switch-Haviland transmission line is approximately 18 miles long with 11 miles located in Ohio. This project will be an approximate \$12 million investment by AEP Ohio Transco. Construction is scheduled to begin in late 2017.

The project is known as the Timber Switch-Haviland 138kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project. AEP Ohio Transco has filed a Letter of Notification with the Ohio Power Siting Board, under Case No. 16-0074-EL-BLM. This number should be included in all communications with respect to this project. The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain this facility is now pending before the board.

Petitions to intervene in the Letter of Notification will be accepted by the siting board up to 10 days following the publication date of this notice required by Rule 4906-2-12. Ohio Administrative Code. Petitions should be addressed to Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 and must cite Case No. 16-0074-EL-BLN.

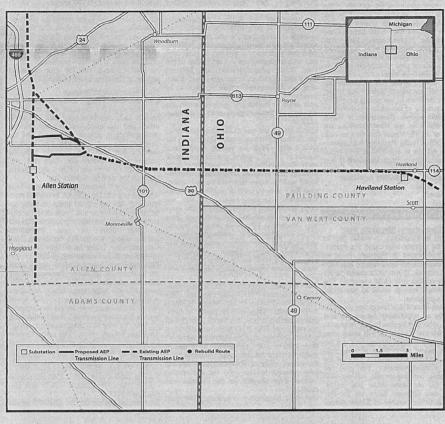
The accompanying map depicts the project area. It should be noted that due to the reduced scale and limited detail, this map should be used only as a general guide. Copies of the actual Letter of Notification, including specific details about the location and construction are available for public inspection at the following locations:

Paulding County Carnegie Library 205 South Main Street

Paulding, Ohio 45879

Ohio Power Siting Board

180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 1-866-270-6772 contactopsb@puc.state.oh.us



Electronic versions of the Letter of Notification can be found at http:// www.aeptransmission.com/ohio/ and at the Ohio Power Siting Board website at http://opsb.ohio.gov. Search under current cases for case number Case No. 16-0074-EL-BLN.

The following local city and county government officials have been served with a copy of the application as required by state of Ohio Power Siting Board regulations:

Paulding County Board of Commissioners

Mr. Roy W. Klopfenstein

Paulding County Engineer Mr. Travis R. McGarvey

Paulding County Soil & Water Conservation District Ms. Coral Fetzer Mayor Richard C. Bowers Village of Haviland

Benton Township Trustee Mr. Joseph W. Thome

Benton Township Trustee Mr. Mark A. Crosby

Benton Township Trustee Mr. Randy W. Noggle

Benton Township Fiscal Officer Ms. Julie A. Dinger

Blue Creek Township Trustee
Ms. Jammie I. Hughes

Blue Creek Township Trustee Mr. Douglas R. Laukhuf

Blue Creek Township Trustee Mr. Calvin Sinn

Blue Creek Township Fiscal Officer Mr. Chris Laukhuf If you are a local city or county government official and would like an electronic or hard copy of the Letter of Notification, please contact Brett Schmied at the information listed below.

To ask a question or make a comment about the project, please call 614-552-1929 or 1-877-215-9261 or send an email inquiry to beschmied@aep. com. Mail inquiries may be sent to the following address:

AEP Ohio Attention: Brett Schmied 700 Morrison Road Gahanna, Ohio 43230



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