#### BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

In the Matter of the Letter of	)	
Notification Application by Carroll	)	
County Energy, LLC for a Certificate	)	Case No. 14-591-EL-BLN
of Environmental Compatibility and	)	
Public Need for the Carroll County	)	
Energy 345 kV Interconnection	)	

## JOINT APPLICATION TO ASSIGN CERTIFICATE

Pursuant to Section 4906.04, Revised Code, Carroll County Energy, LLC ("CCE") and AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. ("AEP Ohio Transco") (collectively the "Joint Applicants") seek approval to assign the May 16, 2014 Letter of Notification Construction Certificate ("Certificate") approved in the above-captioned proceeding from CCE to AEP Ohio Transco. The Joint Applicants request that this Joint Application be heard at the Board's May 19, 2016 Board Meeting.

In its April 17, 2014 expedited Letter of Notification application, CCE proposed to construct a 0.45-mile 345 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line that would connect the proposed CCE generation facility<sup>1</sup> to the American Electric Power Company ("AEP") Tidd to Canton Central 345 kV electric transmission line. The project is located approximately three miles north of Carrollton, entirely within Washington Township, Carroll County, Ohio. The transmission line route will extend from the AEP Tidd to the Canton Central 345 kV electric transmission line right-of-way 0.45-miles east across SR 9 (Kensington Road NE) to the CCE switchyard. The line is scheduled to be in service by June of 2016.

On May 6, 2014, the Staff filed its report of investigation recommending automatic approval on this case on May 16, 2014 with five conditions. CCE is in compliance with all five conditions. The Joint Applicants are proposing to transfer the Certificate from CCE to AEP Ohio Transco.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The CCE Generation Facility was certificated by the OPSB on April 28, 2014 (Case No. 13-1752-EL-BGN).

In keeping with the policy of the State of Ohio, the electric transmission line and associated facilities will be subject to the jurisdiction of the OPSB and remain subject to all the terms and conditions in the Certificate, as it may be amended from time to time. Furthermore, as required pursuant to Section 4906.04, Revised Code, and consistent with the terms of the agreements governing transfer of the facilities, AEP Ohio Transco agrees to abide by all the terms, conditions

and modifications (as may occur from time to time) of the Certificate.

In support of this Joint Application, the Joint Applicants are submitting correspondence (attached as Exhibit A) confirming AEP Ohio Transco's commitment to abide by the terms, conditions and modifications of the Certificate. CCE has also sent via overnight mail a letter this day to all public officials explaining the nature of the transfer request (copies are attached as Exhibit B).

WHEREFORE, the Joint Applicants respectfully request that pursuant to Section 4906.04, Revised Code, the OPSB approve the transfer of the Certificate to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

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# EXHIBIT A



April 22, 2016

Ms. Barcy F. McNeal, Secretary Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 E. Broad St., 11th Floor Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Re:

Case No. 13-1752-EL-BGN

Joint Application to Assign and Bifurcate Certificate

Dear Ms. McNeal:

On April 28, 2014, a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need was granted to Carroll County Energy pursuant to Chapter 4906 of the Revised Code for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Carroll County Energy electric generation facility which included a point of interconnect switchyard and related facilities.

Carroll County Energy and AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. ("AEP Ohio Transco") are requesting a bifurcation of the Certificate to allow for the electric generation facility to be retained by Carroll County Energy and the switchyard and all facilities beyond that point to be assigned from Carroll County Energy to AEP Ohio Transco. It is the intent of AEP Ohio Transco to adhere to all terms and stipulations related to the switchyard and related facilities in the Certificate granted to Carroll County Energy on April 28, 2014.

Thank you for considering these requests and please contact me at 614-716-1608 with any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Steven T. Nourse

Attorney for AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.

## **EXHIBIT B**



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## **VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS 2-DAY SERVICE**

Commissioner Robert L. Wirkner, President Commissioner Thomas R. White, Vice President Commissioner Jeffrey L. Ohler c/o Heather A. Campbell, Office Manager 119 South Lisbon Street Carrollton, OH 44615

Re: Joint Application to Assign Certificate

Carroll County Energy LLC/AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.

OPSB Case No. 14-591-EL-BLN

Dear Commissioners Wirkner, White and Ohler:

The purpose of this letter is to discuss the assignment of the Ohio Power Siting Board Transmission Line Certificate that was issued to Carroll County Energy in Case No. 14-591-EL-BLN. Project construction has reached a point where Carroll County Energy is ready to request to the OPSB that the electric transmission line that will connect the project to the regional transmission grid be assigned to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. ("AEP Ohio Transco").

AEP Ohio Transco will be assigned the ownership and operation of the transmission line and associated facilities. A copy of the application is enclosed.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 614-464-5462.

Sincerely,

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Washington Township Trustee Kyle Davis Washington Township Trustee Chris Keyser Washington Township Trustee Christopher Kuttie c/o Connie Days, Fiscal Officer 2222 Channel Road N.W. Carrollton, OH 44615

Re: Joint Application to Assign Certificate

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#### VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS 2-DAY SERVICE

Ralph Castellucci Carroll County Environmental Services 620 W. Canal Street Malvern, OH 44644

Re:

Joint Application to Assign Certificate

Carroll County Energy LLC/AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.

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Dear Mr. Castellucci:

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## **VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS 2-DAY SERVICE**

Aaron Dodd, Regional Planning Director Carroll County 119 S. Lisbon Street, Suite 100 Carrollton, OH 44615

Re:

Joint Application to Assign Certificate

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Dear Director Dodd:

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