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August 31, 2016

Chairman Asim Z. Haque Ohio Power Siting Board 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re:

Proof of Publication

PUCO Case No. 16-1558-EL-BLN Cole 345 kV Substation Project

Dear Chairman Haque,

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

cc: Jon Pawley

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Proof of Publication

I, Walter Dozier, do herby attest that the AEP Legal Notice did appear in the following newspaper as ordered:

The Columbus Dispatch

8/15/16

Walter Døzier

Date

State of Ohio County of Franklin

On this day, the ______ day of August, 2016 before me, Patricia A. Conkle, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Walter Dozier, proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name was subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed it.

Witness my hand and official seal.

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

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTIL

AEP Ohio Transmission Company Inc., (AEP Ohio Transco), an affiliate of AEP Ohio, proposes to build a new 345-kilovolt (kV) transmission substation in Prairie Township in Franklin County.

The purpose of the Cole Substation Project is to improve electric service reliability in central Ohio. The project involves building a new approximate 11-acre substation on a 75-acre property owned by AEP Ohio Transco. This project will be an approximate \$20 million investment by AEP Ohio Transco. Construction is scheduled to begin in October 2016.

The project is known as the Cole Substation. Project. AEP Ohio Transco filed a Letter of Notification with the Ohio Power Siting Board, under Case No. 16-1558-EL-BLN. 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. 16-1558-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:

Columbus Metropolitan Library

96 South Grant Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43215

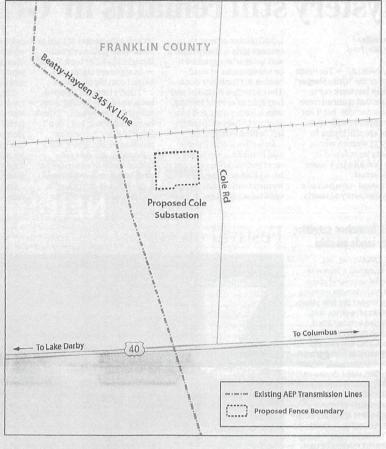
Columbus Metropolitan Library

4772 Cemetery Road Hilliard, Ohio 43026

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. 16-1558-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:

Franklin County Board of Commissioners

Ms. Marilyn Brown

Franklin County Engineer

Mr. Dean C. Ringle

Franklin County Planning Department

Mr. Matthew Brown

Mayor Don Schonhardt

City of Hilliard

Prairie Township Trustee

Mr. Douglas A. Stormont

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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