BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)	
American Transmission Systems)	
Incorporated Authority to Issue, Renew)	Case No. 16-2050-EL-AIS
or Assume Liability on Notes and)	
Other Evidences of Indebtedness)	
Pursuant to O.R.C. §4905.401)	

Applicant, American Transmission Systems Incorporated (the "Company"), respectfully represents:

- The Company, an Ohio corporation, is a "public utility" as defined in O.R.C. §4905.02 and is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission. The Company is primarily engaged in the transmission of electric energy for sale.
- 2. Under provisions of O.R.C. §4905.401, the Company, without action by this Commission, could issue, renew or assume liability on notes and other evidences of indebtedness maturing not more than twelve months after the date of such issuance, renewal or assumption of liability (collectively, "Short-Term Notes") of not more than 5% of the par value of the other outstanding stocks, bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness of the Company (the "Statutory Exemption Limit"). The Statutory Exemption Limit for the Company at June 30, 2016, is \$105,805,997. During the period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016, this Commission, in its Finding and Order in Case No. 15-1581- EL-AIS, *et al.* (the "2015 Order"), authorized the Company to have short-term notes outstanding including the Statutory Exemption Limit, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$500,000,000. During the period January 1, 2017 through December

- 31, 2017 (the "2017 Fiscal Year"), the Company estimates that it may again need to exceed the Statutory Exemption Limit.
- 3. Pursuant to the provisions of O.R.C. §4905.401, the Company requests the Commission to authorize the Company to have Short-Term Notes outstanding at any one time during the 2017 Fiscal Year in an aggregate principal amount up to \$500,000,000 (the "Authorized Principal") (such Authorized Principal to include the Statutory Exemption Limit).
- 4. The Company further requests that the Commission approve that the Authorized Principal, or any part thereof issued, renewed or assumed or to be issued, renewed or assumed, be in addition to any long-term financing that the Company may require during the 2017 Fiscal Year and which this Commission may approve pursuant to O.R.C. §4905.40.
- 5. The Company respectfully represents that the issuance and renewal of, or assumption of liability on, Short-Term Notes, from time to time, and the money to be procured therefrom, are reasonably required and necessary for the Company's lawful capital purposes. Such Short-Term Notes may be issued to provide funds for regulated utility purposes including: current maturities of existing obligations, retirement of securities through open market purchases, redemption of securities through applicable redemption provisions, loans to the Money Pool (as defined in Paragraph 6 below), working capital and for general corporate purposes. Prior to their use, such funds may be invested in highly liquid short-term investments. Pursuant to O.R.C. §4905.41, the Company incorporates herein by reference the following exhibits:

- a. "Exhibit A," Balance Sheet including Statement of Capitalization as of June 30, 2016; and
- b. "Exhibit B," Statement of Income for the Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2016.
- 6. This Commission, in its 2015 Order, previously approved a utility money pool contract (the "Money Pool") in order to establish an intra-system financing arrangement, by and among the Company, Ohio Edison Company ("OE"), OE's wholly-owned subsidiary, Pennsylvania Power Company ("Penn Power"), The Toledo Edison Company ("TE"), The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company ("CEI"), FirstEnergy Corp., solely as a lender, FirstEnergy Service Company, solely as administrator and not as a lender or borrower, Jersey Central Power & Light Company, Pennsylvania Electric Company ("PN"), Metropolitan Edison Company ("ME"), Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company, West Penn Power Company, Trans-Allegheny Interstate Line Company and Waverly Electric Power & Light Company (each a "2015 Participating Company", collectively called the "2015 Participating Companies"), and the issuance and acquisition of Short-Term Notes of 2015 Participating Companies in connection therewith, through December 31, 2016.
- 7. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission issued their orders on February 18, 2016 and August 24, 2016, respectively, authorizing the Company's affiliate, Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, LLC ("MAIT" together with the 2015 Participating Companies, the "2016 Participating Companies"), to own and operate all FERC jurisdictional

- transmission assets of ME and PN. The Company, together with OE, CEI, and TE, desire that MAIT begin participating in the Money Pool after all requisite state and federal regulatory approvals are obtained. The Company expects that MAIT will have obtained all such approvals by the end of the first half of 2017.
- 8. The Company hereby requests that the Commission's approval of the Money Pool be extended through December 31, 2017 and that the Authorized Principal shall include Short-Term Notes of the Company outstanding under the Money Pool by the Company.
- 9. The 2016 Participating Companies may contribute funds to the Money Pool from the following sources: (a) surplus funds from 2016 Participating Companies ("Internal Funds"), and (b) proceeds borrowed from external sources by the 2016 Participating Companies for loan to the Money Pool ("External Funds").
- 10. The Commission, in its 2015 Order, authorized the Company, through December 31, 2016, to have short-term notes outstanding including the Statutory Exemption, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$500,000,000 at any one time and to participate in the Money Pool. During the 2017 Fiscal Year, the Company estimates that it may again need to exceed the Statutory Exemption Limit. Thus, the Company hereby requests the Commission to permit the Company to have short-term notes outstanding including the Statutory Exemption, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$500,000,000 at any one time and to participate in the Money Pool by providing Internal or External Funds to 2016 Participating Companies through the Money Pool.

- The Commission, in its 2015 Order authorized the Company, to provide loans to the Money Pool, so long as the aggregate amount loaned to the Money Pool by the Company, CEI, OE and TE did not exceed \$1,000,000,000 to the 2016 Participating Companies at any time. The Company hereby requests Commission authorization for the Company, together with CEI, OE and TE, to make loans in the aggregate to the Money Pool not to exceed \$1,000,000,000 outstanding to the 2016 Participating Companies (other than the Company, CEI, OE and TE) at any one time.
- 12. The Company agrees any loans to 2016 Participating Companies (other than CEI, OE and TE) made through the Money Pool shall be made only to those 2016 Participating Companies that have investment grade or higher credit ratings on their senior secured debt from at least one nationally recognized rating agency, or in the absence of such rating, investment grade or higher credit ratings on their corporate credit rating. The Company agrees to continue to report the details of its participation in the Money Pool on a quarterly basis to the Director of the Utilities Department of the Commission.

WHEREFORE, the Company prays

- (1) That this Commission approves the extension of the Company's participation in the Money Pool through December 31, 2017 and that the Authorized Principal shall include Short-Term Notes of the Company outstanding under the Money Pool by the Company.
- (2) That this Commission authorizes the Company, during the 2017 Fiscal Year, to issue, renew or assume liability on Short-Term Notes, as requested in this

Application, <u>provided however</u>, that the aggregate Short-Term Notes do not exceed \$500,000,000 outstanding at any one time, and <u>provided further</u> that such amount is exclusive of any long-term financing the Company may incur during said period with this Commission's approval.

- (3) That this Commission authorizes the Company, during the 2017 Fiscal Year, to provide Internal or External Funds to the Money Pool, as requested in this Application, provided however, that the aggregate amount loaned to the Money Pool by the Company, CEI, OE and TE to the 2016 Participating Companies (other than the Company, CEI, OE and TE) does not exceed \$1,000,000,000 outstanding at any one time.
- (4) That due to the time sensitive nature of this request, that this Commission issue such Order approving this Application on or before December 21, 2016.

Bv:

K. Jon Taylor

Vice President and Controller

D.,,

Steven R. Staub

Vice President and Treasurer

STATE OF OHIO) ss. SUMMIT COUNTY)

K. Jon Taylor and Steven R. Staub, depose and say that they are Vice President and Controller, and Vice President and Treasurer, respectively, of American Transmission Systems Incorporated, Applicant in the above matter, and that they have read and are fully acquainted and familiar with the contents of the foregoing Application and that the statements therein are true as they verily believe.

K. Jøn Taylør

Steven R. Staub

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of October, 2016

Michele A. Buchtel

Notary Public, State of Ohio

Resident of Summit County

My Commission Expires August 28, 2021

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AMERICAN TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2016 (Unaudited) (In millions)

REVENUES:	\$ 485
EXPENSES: Operation and maintenance expenses Provision for depreciation General taxes Total expenses	 66 82 111 259
OPERATING INCOME	 226
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE): Interest expense Capitalized financing costs Total other expense	 (50) 19 (31)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	195
INCOME TAXES	 65
NET INCOME	\$ 130

AMERICAN TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (Unaudited)

(Unaudited)	June 30, 2016
ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Receivables-	
Affiliated companies	\$ 1
Other	22
Notes receivable from affiliated companies	150
Prepayments and other	<u>2</u> 175
JTILITY PLANT:	175
In service	3,568
Less - Accumulated provision for depreciation	870
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Construction work in progress	176
	2,874
DEFERRED CHARGES AND OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory Assets	1
Property taxes	68
Other	5
	74
	\$ 3,123
LIABILITIES AND CAPITALIZATION	
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Accounts payable to affiliated companies	\$ 8 101
Accrued taxes Accrued interest	18
Accrued interest	127
CAPITALIZATION:	127
Common stockholder's equity-	
Other paid-in-capital	1,166
Retained earnings	275
Total common stockholder's equity	1,441
Long-term debt and other long-term obligations	939
	2,380
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES:	,
Accumulated deferred income taxes	511
Property taxes	68
Other	37
	616
	\$3,123
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AMERICAN TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CAPITALIZATION (Unaudited)

(In millions)	 June 30, 2016	
COMMON STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY:		
Other paid-in-capital	\$ 1,166	
Retained earnings	275	
Total	1,441	
LONG-TERM DEBT AND OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS:		
American Transmission Systems, Inc		
Senior Notes		
5.25% due 2022	400	
4.00% due 2026	75	
5.00% due 2044	400	
5.23% due 2045	 75	
Total	 950	
Net unamortized discount on debt	(11)	
Total long-term debt and other long-term obligations	 939	
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION	\$ 2,380	

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Summary: Application In the Matter of Application of American Transmission Systems Incorporated Authority to Issue, Renew or Assume Liability on Notes and Other Evidences of Indebtedness Pursuant to O.R.C. 4905.401 electronically filed by Ms. Erika Ostrowski on behalf of American Transmission Systems Incorporated