

**BEFORE
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the matter of the application of AEP Ohio Transmission Company for a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need for West Bellaire-Glencoe 138 kV Transmission Line Project)))))))	Case No. 16-1557-EL-BTX
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**MOTION FOR 30-DAY SUSPENSION OF
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE OR EXTENSION OF TIME**

AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. (“AEP Ohio Transco”) respectfully moves for a 30-day suspension of the procedural schedule or an equivalent extension of time in this proceeding pursuant to Rule 4906-2-07(A) of the Ohio Administrative Code.

AEP Ohio Transco has consulted with counsel for the Staff of the Ohio Power Siting Board (“OPSB Staff”), and OPSB Staff does not oppose this Motion.

This Motion should be granted for good cause for the reasons more fully set forth in the accompanying memorandum in support.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

I. INTRODUCTION

Ohio Adm.Code 4906-2-07(A) allows for extensions of time to file pleadings and other papers to be granted for good cause shown. On May 12, 2017, the attorney examiner issued an Entry establishing a procedural schedule for this proceeding. Pursuant to this Entry, the Administrative Law Judge found that on March 28, 2017, the Chairman of the Board notified AEP Ohio Transco that its Application was sufficiently complete to permit Staff to commence its review and investigation of the Application, and accepted the Application pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4906-3-06. On April 10, 2017, AEP Ohio Transco tendered its Application fee pursuant to Section 4906.06(F), Revised Code, and Ohio Adm.Code 4906-3-12. On April 10, 2017, AEP Ohio Transco also filed proof of service of its accepted and complete Application in accordance with Ohio Adm.Code 4906-3-07. The Application filing date was deemed to be effective April 28, 2017. Pursuant to R.C. 4906.07(A), the Board promptly fixed a date for a public hearing, which is scheduled for Monday, July 10, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Bellaire High School, 349 35th Street, Bellaire, Ohio 43906, and an adjudicatory hearing, which is scheduled to commence July 20, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. on the 11th floor at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. AEP Ohio Transco has issued public notices of the Application and the hearings in accordance with Ohio Adm.Code 4906-3-09.

AEP Ohio Transco requests a 30-day suspension of the procedural schedule or an equivalent extension of time in the instant matter to allow sufficient time for the

Company to provide additional information to the OPSB Staff which both the Company and OPSB Staff consider relevant for the review of the Application (the “Supplemental Information”), and to allow sufficient time for the OPSB Staff to review this information and take it into consideration during the preparation of the Staff Report to be filed in these proceedings. The Supplemental Information relates to engineering adjustments to the specific proposed location of certain facilities required to facilitate construction in light of terrain characteristics in a small portion of the proposed route, and by undergrounding a short segment of the proposed transmission line to address a line crossing with other existing facilities.

AEP Ohio Transco requests that a new effective date of the Application to be certified as complete at some future date upon the filing of the Supplemental Information, thus restarting the 90-day time period within which the Board has to schedule the public hearing and adjudicatory hearing pursuant to R.C. 4906.07(A). Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4906-3-09, AEP Ohio Transco will issue a public notice canceling the July 10, 2017 public hearing and July 20, 2017 adjudicatory hearing the same way in which it published the original notices for the hearings.

Once AEP Ohio Transco submits the Supplemental Information and the Board certifies the Application as complete, AEP Ohio Transco will issue public notices of the Application and the time and dates of the hearings pursuant to an Entry filed by the Administrative Law Judge. The Applicant respectfully states that upon the adoption of a new procedural schedule, a public hearing in this case may be held between August 7 and August 9, 2017 (30 days after the original date of July 10, 2017).

Therefore, AEP Ohio Transco respectfully requests that this Motion be granted for the good cause shown.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a courtesy copy of AEP Ohio Transmission Company's Motion for 30-Day Suspension of Procedural Schedule or Extension of Time was served by mailing a true and correct copy via electronic mail upon the individuals listed below this 19th day of June, 2017.

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