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## RE: PUCO Case No. 16-0702-EL-BTX Macksburg-Devola 138kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project Proof of Notification – Letters to Property Owners and Tenants Regarding the Public Information Open House

Dear Chairman Haque:

AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. ("AEP Ohio Transco") files this proof of notification in accordance with Rule 4906-3-10(A) of the Ohio Administrative Code. The initial notice complied with all the requirements of O.A.C. 4906-3-09(A)(1). Enclosed is a sample of the initial notice. All letters were mailed on Monday, October 16, 2017, via first class mail.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Christen M. Blend Christen M. Blend (0086881), Counsel of Record Hector Garcia (0084517)

Counsel for AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.

cc: Jon Pawley, OPSB Staff



AEP Ohio 700 Morrison Road Gahanna, OH 43230

October 16, 2017

Attn: Important information about your property «Owner» «Mailing\_Address\_» «City», «State» «Zip»

## RE: Notice of Local Public Hearing for a Proposed Major Utility Facility AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. Macksburg-Devola 138kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project Ohio Power Siting Board Case Number: 16-0702-EL-BTX

Dear Landowner,

A local public hearing for the proposed Macksburg-Devola 138kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project will be held on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., at Lower Salem Elementary School, 10930 OH-821, Lower Salem, Ohio 45745. An adjudicatory hearing will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., 11th floor, Hearing Room 11-D, at the office of the OPSB.

The project is known as the Macksburg-Devola 138kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project. AEP Ohio Transco filed its Application with the OPSB, under Case No. 16-0702-EL-BTX. This number should be included in all communications about this project. The Application to construct, operate and maintain this facility is pending before the board<sup>1</sup>.

The Macksburg-Devola line is a 138-kilovolt transmission line that is part of the overall Southeast Ohio Area Improvements and connects Macksburg Substation to the new Devola Substation in Washington County. This project will improve service for customers, cut down on power outages and speed service restoration when outages occur. The Macksburg-Devola line will be approximately 17 miles long, depending on the route selected. The line will likely run through Adams, Aurelius, Marietta, Muskingum and Salem townships in Washington County.

The accompanying reduced-scale map depicts the project area. Copies of the Application, including specific details about the location and construction are available for public inspection at the Washington County Public Library and the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793, or by calling 1(866) 270-6772. You can also visit the OPSB's website at <a href="http://opsb.ohio.gov">http://opsb.ohio.gov</a>. Search under current cases for case number Case No. 16-0702-EL-BTX. Instructions for electronic or hard copy versions of the Applications can be found at <a href="http://applications.applic

The following local city and county government officials have been served with a copy of the Application as required by OPSB regulations: Washington County Commissioners, Washington County Engineer, Washington County Soil & Water Conservation District, the Mayor of Macksburg, the Mayor of Marietta, the Adams Township Trustees, the Aurelius Township Trustees, the Marietta Township Trustees, the Muskingum Township Trustees and the Salem Township Trustees.

Petitions to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing will be accepted by the board up to 30 days following publication of this notice required by Rule 4906-2-12(B)(2), O.A.C., or by November 1, 2017, whichever is later. However, the board strongly encourages interested persons who wish to intervene in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Portions of the OPSB's siting requirements to approve applications is enclosed with this letter.

adjudicatory hearing to file their petitions as early as possible. Petitions should be addressed to Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 and cite Case Number 16-0702-EL-BTX.

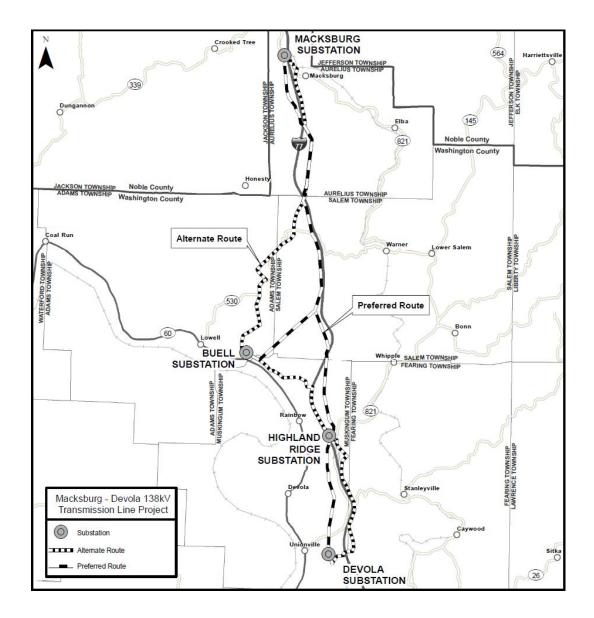
On behalf of AEP Ohio Transco and AEP Ohio, I look forward to seeing you at the public hearing.

Sincerely,

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Erin Miller Project Outreach Specialist

cc: AEP Legal Counsel Elizabeth Decima, Project Manager



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Summary: Notice electronically filed by Ms. Christen M. Blend on behalf of AEP Ohio Transmission Power Company, Inc.