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RE: Pre-Application Notification Letter In the matter of the Letter of Notification Application of AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Devola Station Project Case No. 18-0034-EL-BLN

Dear Ms. McNeal:

AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. ("AEP Ohio Transco") files this preapplication notification letter for the above-referenced Project pursuant to Rule 4906-6-03(A) of the Ohio Administrative Code.

AEP Ohio Transco proposes the Devola Station Project ("Project"), which is located in Fearing Township, Washington County, Ohio. The Project consists of constructing a new 138 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission substation that is needed to support and interconnect other planned upgrades to the existing 23 kV transmission infrastructure in the area, which are the subject of other projects before the Ohio Power Siting Board, including those in Case Nos. 16-0702-EL-BTX and 17-1907-EL-BTX.

AEP Ohio Transco anticipates that construction of the Project will begin in January or February 2018. The anticipated in-service date for the Project is approximately March 2020.

Please be advised that pursuant to O.A.C. 4906-6-04, AEP Ohio Transco is requesting an expedited review of this Project.

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

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