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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 Newbery Station and Extension Project Case No. 18-0149-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 to construct an approximately 0.5-acre substation and an associated 0.6 mile long double-circuit 138 kV electric transmission line in Van Buren Township, Putnam County, Ohio. This is a customer-driven project, and all of the new transmission facilities will be constructed on property provided by the customer.

Construction of AEP Ohio Transco's Project is currently planned to begin in the summer of 2018. The in-service date for the Project is currently planned for approximately the fourth quarter of 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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Summary: Notification (Pre-Application Notification Letter) electronically filed by Ms. Christen M. Blend on behalf of AEP Ohio Transmission Power Company, Inc.