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May 29, 2018

Mr. Eric L. Bennett  
Project Manager  
AEP Ohio Transmission Company  
700 Morrison Road  
Gahanna, OH 43220

**Application for Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need**

**Case:** Pine Ridge Switch-Heppner 138 kV Transmission Line Project

**Case Number:** 18-0031-EL-BTX

Dear Mr. Bennett:

This letter is to inform you that the above referenced application, filed with the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board) on March 29, 2018, has been found to comply with Chapters 4906-01, et seq., of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). This means the Board's Staff has received sufficient information to begin its review of this application. During the course of its investigation, the Staff may request additional information to ensure a full and fair assessment of this project.

Pursuant to Board rules, the certified application and supplement must now be filed with the Board in accordance with the provisions of OAC Rules 4906-3-06 and 4906-3-07. In summary form, these rules require:

1. Serving copies of the certified application upon appropriate government officials and public agencies. In this regard, please inform these officials in writing that if they wish to intervene in the proceedings they must file a notice of intervention with the Board within thirty days of being served a copy of the application.
2. Filing Proof of Service with the Board.

Upon completion of these requirements, you will be notified of the effective date of filing and the date and location of the public hearing.

Please be informed that under Section 4906.04 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC), the applicant shall not commence to construct any portion of the facility prior to obtaining a certificate from the Board.

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Also be informed that to assist your company in meeting the provisions of Ohio Power Siting Board rules, the Board will serve as a clearinghouse for the distribution to and service of the application and supplement upon the following state agencies:

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
Ohio Department of Agriculture  
Ohio Development Services Agency  
Ohio Department of Health  
Ohio Department of Natural Resources  
Ohio Department of Transportation  
Ohio Historical Society

Upon filing, pursuant to ORC Section 4906.06(F) and OAC Rule 4906-3-12, the amount of \$65,000.00 as an application fee is due.

Please file Proof of Payment in the Docket. Attachment A, with the date the check was mailed shall be considered sufficient proof.

The check should be designated by case number 18-0031-EL-BTX and be payable to:

Ohio Power Siting Board, Fund 5610

Please send the check along with Attachment A to:

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Power Siting)  
Finance Department, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215



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Depending on the complexity of the staff investigation, the application fee may not cover all costs associated with this case. Additional invoicing may be necessary.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Ray Strom at (614) 466-7707 or Jon Pawley at (614) 644-7631.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tamara S. Turkenton".

Tamara S. Turkenton  
Director, Rates and Analysis  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215  
(614) 466-1825  
[ContactOPSB@puc.state.oh.us](mailto:ContactOPSB@puc.state.oh.us)

cc: Jason Cross, Rates and Analysis  
Ms. Christen M. Blend, AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.



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## ATTACHMENT A

### Ohio Power Siting Board Application Filing Fee

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**PLEASE INCLUDE THIS ATTACHMENT WITH YOUR PAYMENT**

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