

**BEFORE  
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Application of AEP :  
Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. for a : Case No. 17-0637-EL-BTX  
Certificate of Environmental :  
Compatibility and Public Need for :  
Construction of the Ross – Ginger Switch :  
138kV Transmission Line Project. :

**PREFILED TESTIMONY  
OF  
JON C. PAWLEY  
SITING, EFFICIENCY, AND RENEWABLE ENERGY DIVISION  
RATES AND ANALYSIS DEPARTMENT**

**Staff Exhibit 2**

**June 15, 2018**

1 1. Q. Please state your name and your business address.

2 A. My name is Jon C. Pawley, and my business address is 180 East Broad  
3 Street, Columbus OH 43215.  
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5 2. Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?

6 A. I am employed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission)  
7 as a Utility Specialist 3 in the Siting, Efficiency and Renewable Energy  
8 Division of the Commission's Rates and Analysis Department. My  
9 position includes assigned duties by the Chairman of the Ohio Power Siting  
10 Board (Board) to investigate applications filed with the Board and assist in  
11 preparing staff reports of investigation.  
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13 3. Q. Please summarize your educational background and work experience.

14 A. I received an Associate of Applied Science degree in Architectural  
15 Technology from SUNY Alfred State College in 1986, a Bachelor of Arts  
16 degree in Environmental Design from the University of Buffalo in 1991,  
17 and a Master of City and Regional Planning degree from the Ohio State  
18 University in 1993.  
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20 I have been employed by the Commission for roughly twenty years. More  
21 recently, my responsibilities at the Commission have primarily involved  
22 social and cultural resource matters associated with site planning of major

1 utility facilities in the state of Ohio. I have also been the Staff lead on  
2 numerous applications for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and  
3 Public Need before the Board. Additionally, I have approximately twelve  
4 years' experience in public and private sector development and planning.  
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6 4. Q. Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Board?

7 A. Yes. I have testified in many cases before the Board concerning Staff's  
8 investigation and report findings and recommendations on proposed siting  
9 projects involving power plants, wind farms, substations, and transmission  
10 lines.  
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12 5. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

13 A. I am sponsoring the Staff Report of Investigation (Staff Report) that was  
14 filed May 18, 2018 in this docket. I am the Staff project lead. I managed  
15 the Staff investigation and preparation of the Staff Report in this case. In  
16 addition, Staff is a signatory party supporting the Joint Stipulation and  
17 Recommendation filed June 11, 2018 in this docket.  
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19 6. Q. What kind of case is this?

20 A. The Applicant proposes to rebuild a new transmission line that would  
21 operate at 69 kV until 138 kV standards would be needed to serve future  
22 customer load.

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7. Q. Please summarize Staff’s investigation that was conducted in this case?

A. Staff’s investigation included reviewing the application, conducting site visits to the proposed facility location, acquiring additional information from the applicant, obtaining input from state agencies that compose the Board along with other relevant state and federal agencies, and preparing a Staff Report that presents Staff’s analysis, conclusions, and recommendations. As a result of Staff’s investigation, Staff is recommending that the Board approve the application, subject to the 21 conditions that are presented in the Staff Report.

8. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

A. Yes, it does. However, I reserve the right to submit supplemental testimony, as new information subsequently becomes available or in response to positions taken by other parties.

## **PROOF OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Prefiled Testimony of **Jon C. Pawley** submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Ohio Power Siting Board, was served via electronic mail upon the following parties of record this 15th day of June, 2018.

/s/ Jodi J. Bair

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