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76 South Main Street  
Akron, Ohio 44308

1-800-646-0400

June 29, 2018

Ms. Barcy F. McNeal  
Docketing Division  
The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215-3793

**Construction Notice**  
**Seville-Star 138 kV Transmission Line**  
**Structure Replacement Project**  
**Case No. 18-1047-EL-BNR**

Dear Ms. McNeal:

In accordance with Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") Rule 4906-2-04(A)(3) and OAC Chapter 4906-6, American Transmission Systems, Incorporated ("ATSI") transmits one (1) original and eleven (11) copies of the enclosed Construction Notice application. The Construction Notice application was completed in accordance with the requirements of OAC Chapter 4906-6.

In this Project, ATSI is proposing to replace an existing wood pole guyed structure with a steel pole deadend structure supported on a drilled concrete foundation. The structure replacement is needed due to damage to the existing structure and to accommodate the adjacent 69 kV transmission line crossing. The Project will be located in Chippewa Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

Pursuant to OAC Rule 4906-2-04(A)(3), please be advised of the following:

a) Name and address of the applicants:

American Transmission Systems, Incorporated  
76 South Main Street  
Akron, Ohio 44308

b) Name and location of proposed facilities:

Seville-Star 138 kV Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project

The Project area is located in Chippewa Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

c) Applicant's representative:

Scott M. Humphrys  
Transmission Siting Supervisor

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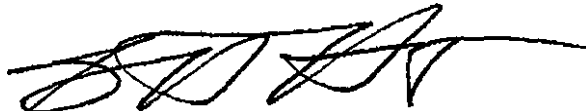
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FirstEnergy Service Company  
76 South Main Street  
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- d) No information that was provided in the pre-application letter required by OAC Rule 4906-6-03 has been amended or changed in the attached application.
- e) A notarized statement that the information contained in the application is complete and accurate is attached as Attachment 1.

We have provided a copy of the Construction Notice by certified mail, with return receipt requested, to each official of the political subdivisions immediately affected by the proposed Project listed in Exhibit 1. Copies of the transmittal letters addressed to the local government representatives of Chippewa Township, Wayne County, Ohio are enclosed for your file. Copies of the transmittal letters to the local libraries are also enclosed. These materials are being provided as proof of compliance with OAC Rule 4906-6-07.

After docketing this filing, please return one time-stamped copy of the Letter of Notification for our records in the enclosed envelope. Should staff of the Ohio Power Siting Board desire further information or discussion of this submittal, please contact me at 330-384-2526.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott M. Humphrys', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Scott M. Humphrys  
Transmission Siting Supervisor  
Energy Delivery Transmission and Substation Design  
FirstEnergy Service Company

Attachments

BEFORE THE  
OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

In The Matter Of: )  
The Application of American Transmission )  
Systems, Incorporated for a Certificate of )  
Environmental Compatibility and Public )  
Need for the Construction for the Seville- )  
Star 138 kV Transmission Line Structure )  
Replacement Project )

Case No. 18-1047-EL-BNR

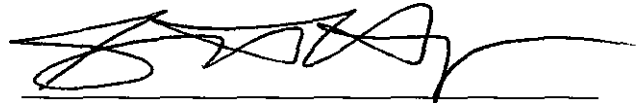
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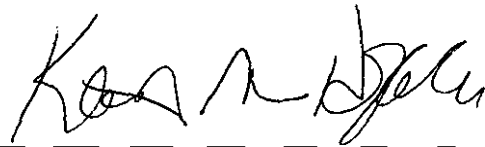
Pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4906-2-04(A)(3)(e), I am the authorized representative of the Applicant in this case and I affirm that the Construction Notice Application filed in this matter is true and accurate to the best of my information and belief.



Scott M. Humphrys  
FirstEnergy Service Company

State of Ohio )  
County of Summit ) ss:

Sworn and subscribed before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018.



Notary Public



KATHLEEN M. HOFACRE  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF OHIO  
Recorded in  
Stark County  
My Comm. Exp. 3/28/2020

**Exhibit 1**  
**Officials Served Copy the Construction Notice**  
**Seville-Star 138 kV Transmission Line**  
**Structure Replacement Project**  
**Case No. 18-1047-EL-BNR**

**Wayne County Officials**

Ron Amstutz  
Wayne County Commissioners  
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428 West Liberty Street  
Wooster, OH 44694

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Scott Stoller, Chairman  
Wayne County Soil & Water Conservation  
District  
428 West Liberty Street  
Wooster, OH 44691

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Chippewa Township Trustee  
14228 Galehouse Road  
Doylestown, OH 44230

Lenny Broome, Vice President  
Chippewa Township Trustee  
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Steve Jung, Trustee  
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Laurie Busson, Fiscal Officer  
Chippewa Township Trustee  
14228 Galehouse Road  
Doylestown, OH 44230

**Library**

Wayne County Public Library  
Rittman Branch  
Pam Schmrch, Manager  
49 W. Ohio Avenue  
Rittman, OH 44270

**AMERICAN TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS,  
INCORPORATED  
A FIRSTENERGY COMPANY**

**CONSTRUCTION NOTICE**

**SEVILLE-STAR 138 kV TRANSMISSION LINE  
STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

**OPSB CASE NO.: 18-1047-EL-BNR**

**6/29/18**

**American Transmission Systems, Incorporated  
76 South Main Street  
Akron, Ohio 44308**

**CONSTRUCTION NOTICE  
SEVILLE-STAR 138 kV TRANSMISSION LINE  
STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

The following information is being provided in accordance with the procedures in the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Chapter 4906-6 for the application and review of Accelerated Certificate Applications. Based upon the requirements found in Appendix A to OAC Rule 4906-1-01, this Project qualifies for submittal to the Ohio Power Siting Board ("Board") as a Construction Notice application.

**4906-6-05: ACCELERATED APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

**4906-6-05: Name**

Name of Project: Seville-Star 138 kV Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project ("Project").

**4906-6-05 (B)(1): Brief Description of the Project**

In this Project, American Transmission Systems, Incorporated ("ATSI"), a FirstEnergy company, is proposing to replace an existing wood pole guyed structure with a steel pole deadend structure supported on a drilled concrete foundation. The structure replacement is needed due to damage of the existing structure and to accommodate the adjacent 69 kV transmission line crossing.

The Project is located approximately 0.11-miles east-northeast of where E. Sunset Drive, E. Ohio Avenue, Rittman Road, and Doylestown Road converge in Chippewa Township, Wayne County, Ohio. The general location of the Project is shown in Exhibit 1, a partial copy of the United States Geologic Survey, Wayne County OH. Exhibit 2 is a partial copy of aerial imagery provided by ESRI. The general layout is shown in Exhibit 3.

**4906-6-05 (B)(1): Construction Notice Requirement**

The Project meets the requirements for a Construction Notice application because it is within the types defined by Item (2)(a) of the Application Requirement Matrix for

Electric Power Transmission Lines, Appendix A of OAC Rule 4906-1-01. This item states:

*(2) Adding new circuits on existing structures designed for multiple circuit use, replacing conductors on existing structures with larger or bundled conductors, adding structures to an existing transmission line, or replacing structures with a different type of structure, for a distance of:*

*(a) Two miles or less.*

The proposed Project is within the requirements of Item (2) as it involves replacing a single structure with a different type of structure.

**4906-6-05 (B)(2): Need For the Project**

The Seville-Star 138 kV Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project is part of an integrated maintenance effort that is being driven in part by aged and deteriorating equipment in the Ohio Edison Region. The structure proposed for replacement was installed around 1980 and failed the field inspection test performed in December 2017. The field inspection noted extensive woodpecker damage to the pole which compromised the poles integrity and warranted structure replacement in accordance with FirstEnergy standards for system integrity.

Upon further review of the proposed structure replacement, it also was determined that additional height was needed to mitigate a clearance violation that was identified with an adjacent 69 kV transmission line crossing. The clearance violation was evaluated and identified by engineering personnel measuring the distance between the conductors of the 138 kV and 69 kV transmission lines using PLS CADD (a specialized CADD program for utility line design) and verified by LiDAR data of the existing transmission line conductors. The measurements showed a deficit of approximately 2-feet vertically between the conductors in regard to the latest FirstEnergy design criteria. The existing

clearance does not meet design standards set forth by both the National Electric Safety Code (NESC) and FirstEnergy. Please note, the NESC provides minimum design requirements to safeguard persons and utility facilities. FirstEnergy has applied an additional level of safety internally to further safeguard the public, utility workers, and utility facilities by adding an additional five feet of clearance. Based on the analysis conducted by engineering, using the referenced software and field data, it was determined that the clearance issues could be corrected by the installation of the proposed transmission structure. Traditional wood utility poles are not available in heights that can provide the necessary clearance to meet the minimum design criteria. Therefore, a steel structure was determined necessary to meet the required above grade height. The steel pole will also prevent future wood pecker damage, improve the overall strength of the angle structure and eliminate the need for guying at this location.

**4906-6-05 (B)(3): Location of the Project Relative to Existing or Proposed Lines**

The location of the Project relative to existing or proposed lines is shown in the ATSI Transmission Network Map, included as part of the confidential portion of the FirstEnergy Corp. 2018 Long-Term Forecast Report. This map was submitted to the PUCO in Case No. 18-449-EL-FOR under Rule 4901:5-5:04 (C)(2)(b) of the Ohio Administrative Code. The map is incorporated by reference only. This map shows ATSI's 345 kV and 138 kV transmission lines and transmission substations including the Seville-Star 138 kV Transmission Line. The project area is located approximately 8 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches (11" x 17" printed version) from the left edge of the map and 4 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches (11" x 17" printed version) from the top of the map. The general location and layout of the project area is shown in Exhibit 1 and 2.

**4906-6-05 (B)(4): Alternatives Considered**

No alternatives were considered as the Project only involves replacing one existing transmission line structure with a different structure to correct damage and a clearance violation at the specified location.



**4906-6-05 (B)(5): Public Information Program**

ATSI's manager of External Affairs will advise local officials of features and the status of the proposed Transmission Line Project as necessary. ATSI will maintain a copy of this Construction Notice on FirstEnergy's website. Letters will be sent to affected property owners at least 7 days before construction begins on the project informing them of the Project's start and a proposed timeframe of construction and restoration activities.

**4906-6-05 (B)(6): Construction Schedule**

The construction schedule for this Project is expected to begin as early as October 1, 2018 and completed by June 1, 2019.

**4906-6-05 (B)(7): Area Map**

Exhibit 1 depicts the general location of the Project on a topographical overlay. Exhibit 2 provides a partial copy of aerial imagery of the project area.

**4906-6-05 (B)(8): Property Owner List**

The Project is located on existing right-of-way. No new right-of-way is required for the Project. Table 1 identifies the property owners associated with the Project:

**Table 1: Property Owner List**

<b>Parcel Number</b>	<b>Property Owner</b>	<b>Property Address</b>	<b>Easement Type and Status</b>
15-00075.000	Steve Rufener	12286 Shondel Road Rittman, OH 44270	Existing Easement
15-00077.000	James Copley	12070 Doylestown Road Rittman, OH 44270	Existing Access Easement

**4906-6-05 (B)(9): TECHNICAL FEATURES OF THE PROJECT**

**4906-6-05 (B)(9)(a): Operating Characteristics**

The transmission line construction will have the following characteristics:

Voltage: 138 kV  
Conductors: 605 kcmil 24/7 ACSR  
Static Wire: 3#6 Alumoweld  
Insulators: Porcelain  
ROW Width: 60 feet  
Structure Types: Exhibit 4: Single circuit, steel pole deadend structure supported on a drilled concrete foundation.

**4906-6-05 (B)(9)(b): Electric and Magnetic Fields**

The closest occupied residence or institution is approximately 425 feet from the proposed transmission line centerline therefore no Electric and Magnetic Field ("EMF") calculations are required by this code provision.

**4906-6-05 (B)(9)(c): Estimated Cost**

The estimated capital cost for the proposed project is approximately \$101,000.

**4906-6-05 (B)(10): SOCIAL AND ECOLOGICAL IMPACTS**

**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(a): Land Uses**

The Project is located in Chippewa Township, Wayne County Ohio. The Project Area can be described as existing transmission line right-of-way surrounded by scrub-shrub vegetation. The general setting surrounding the Project Area is rural residential, commercial, and agricultural properties.

**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(b): Agricultural Land**

Agricultural land does not exist within the Project's disturbance area.

**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(c): Archaeological or Cultural Resources**

As part of the investigation, a search of Ohio Historic Preservation Office (“OHPO”) online database was conducted to identify the existence of any significant archeological or cultural resource sites within 0.5 miles of the Project Area. The results of the search are shown in Exhibit 5.

The OHPO database includes all Ohio listings on the National Register of Historic Places (“NRHP”), including districts, sites, building, structures, and objects that are significant in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture. The OHPO database also includes listing of the Ohio Archaeological Inventory (“OAI”), the Ohio Historic Inventory (“OHI”), previous cultural resource surveys, and the Ohio Genealogical Society (“OGS”) cemetery inventory.

Based upon the results of the OHPO online database there are no cultural resources within the Project’s area and no impacts are expected.

**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(d): Local, State, and Federal Requirements**

Table 11 shows the list of government agency requirements and the filing status at the time of filing.

**Table 2. List of Government Agency Requirements to be Secured Prior to Construction**

Agency	Permit Requirement
Wayne County Engineer	Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3)
Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway	Right of Entry

**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(e): Endangered, Threatened, and Rare Species Investigation**

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) *County Distribution of Federally-Listed Endangered, Threatened, and Proposed Species* (updated January 29, 2018) was reviewed for Wayne County, Ohio. This information obtained from USFWS is included as Exhibit 6. This USFWS publication listed the following threatened or endangered species as occurring in Wayne County, Ohio: Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*; federally endangered), Northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*; federally threatened), Eastern massasauga (*Sistrurus catenatus*; federally threatened), and Eastern prairie fringed orchid (*Platanthera leucophaea*; federally threatened). As part of the ecological investigation for this Project, ATSI submitted a request to the USFWS Ohio Ecological Services Field Office seeking technical assistance on this Project for potential impacts to threatened or endangered species. A response from USFWS was received on May 23, 2018. The response noted that there are no Federal wilderness areas, wildlife refuges or designated critical habitat within the project area. Furthermore, the response stated that due to the Project, type, size and location, USFWS does not anticipate adverse effects to any federally endangered, threatened, proposed, or candidate species. The USFWS response is included as Exhibit 7.

Several state-listed threatened species, endangered species, and species of concern or special interest listed by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) as occurring in Wayne County, Ohio. A list of state listed wildlife species is included in Exhibit 8, and a list of state listed plant species is included in Exhibit 9. As part of the ecological investigation for this Project, ATSI submitted a request to the ODNR Office of Real Estate to conduct an Environmental Review. ATSI requested ODNR Office of Real Estate to conduct a search of the ODNR Division of Wildlife's Natural Heritage Database to identify the presence of any endangered, threatened, or rare species within one (1) mile of the Project area. A response from ODNR is currently pending. To date, no response from ODNR has been received. Once a response has been received from ODNR, any pertinent information will be forwarded to the OPSB for review.

Adverse impacts to state listed wildlife and plant species are not anticipated to result from the Project based on the absence of potential habitat for these species within the Project Area. Any tree clearing associated with the Project will occur between October 1<sup>st</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup> to avoid potential adverse impacts to known listed bat species.

**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(f): Areas of Ecological Concern**

ATSI submitted requests to the USFWS along with the ODNR Office of Real Estate concerning the presence of any unique ecological sites, geological features, animal assemblages, scenic rivers, state wildlife areas, nature preserves, parks or forest, national wildlife refuges, or other protected natural areas within one (1) mile of the project area. The May 23, 2018 response from USFWS noted that there are no Federal wilderness areas, wildlife refuges or designated critical habitat within the project area. A response from ODNR is currently pending. To date, no response from ODNR has been received. Once a response has been received from ODNR, any pertinent information will be forwarded to the OPSB for review.

As part of the ecological investigation, ATSI retained Jacobs to conduct a wetland and waterway assessment of the Project area. Jacobs conducted a wetland and waterbody delineation survey at the location of existing wood pole 10299 in Wayne County, Ohio on June 20, 2018. Within the 60-foot existing right-of-way (ROW) between the Akron Barberton Cluster Railway and State Route 57, and within the 20-foot wide access road from Doylestown Road to structure 10299 (Depicted on Exhibit 10), one palustrine emergent (PEM) wetland (Wetland SS-06) and one intermittent stream (Stream SS-06) were delineated. Stream SS-06 has a total of 112 linear feet within the ROW, while Wetland SS-06 has a total of 0.22-acre within the ROW. Additionally, FEMA floodplain data was reviewed. No work will take place in any area designated as a regulated floodplain. Best management practices will be utilized to protect the identified wetlands and streams with the implementation of erosion and sediment controls.

**4906-6-05(B)(10)(g): Other Information**

Construction and operation of the proposed Project will be in accordance with the requirements specified in the latest revision of the National Electric Safety Code as adopted by the PUCO and will meet all applicable safety standards established by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

No other or unusual conditions are expected that will result in significant environmental, social, health or safety impacts.

**4906-6-07: Documentation of Letter of Notification Transmittal and Availability for Public Review**

This Construction Notice is being provided concurrently with its docketing with the Board to the following officials in Chippewa Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

**Wayne County Officials**

Ron Amstutz  
Wayne County Commissioners  
County Administration Building  
428 West Liberty Street  
Wooster, OH 44694

Sue Smail  
Wayne County Commissioners  
County Administration Building  
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Ann Obrecht  
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Conservation District  
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### **Chippewa Township Officials**

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Steve Jung, Trustee  
Chippewa Township Trustee  
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### **Library**

Wayne County Public Library  
Rittman Branch  
Pam Schmrch, Manager  
49 W. Ohio Avenue  
Rittman, OH 44270

Copies of the transmittal letters to these officials have been included with this application as proof of compliance with OAC Rule 4906-6-07 (B) to provide the Board with proof of notice to local officials as required by OAC Rule 4906-6-07 (A)(1) and to libraries per OAC Rule 4906-6-07 (A)(2).

Information is posted at [www.firstenergycorp.com/about/transmission\\_project/ohio.html](http://www.firstenergycorp.com/about/transmission_project/ohio.html) on how to request an electronic or paper copy of this Construction Notice application. The link to this website is being provided to meet the requirements of OAC Rule 4906-6-07 (B) and to provide the Board with proof of compliance with the notice requirements in OAC Rule 4906-6-07 (A)(3).



## EXHIBIT 1

### Seville-Star 138 kV Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project

#### Location:

Municipality: Chippewa Township  
County: Wayne County  
State: Ohio

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1 inch = 2,000 feet



NAD 1983 StatePlane Ohio North  
Projection: Lambert Conformal Conic  
Linear Unit: US Foot

Source: National Geographic Society  
Scale: 1:24,000

#### LEGEND

- ★ Project Location
- Seville-Star 138 kV
- Rittman-Star 69 kV
- Roadway
- County Boundary

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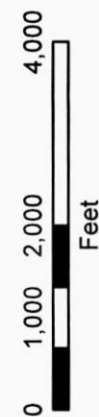




## EXHIBIT 2

### Seville-Star 138 kV Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project

**Location:**  
Municipality: Chippewa Township  
County: Wayne County  
State: Ohio



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#### LEGEND

- ★ Project Location
- Seville-Star 138 kV
- Rittman-Star 69 kV
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- County Boundary





CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP  
WAYNE COUNTY  
OHIO

EXISTING SEVILLE-STAR 138  
kV TRANSMISSION LINE

EXISTING 69 kV  
TRANSMISSION LINE

E. SUNSET DRIVE

RITMAN ROAD

EAST OHIO AVENUE

DOYLESTOWN ROAD

WADSWORTH ROAD

SHONDEL ROAD

LEGEND

- EXISTING SEVILLE-STAR 138 kV TRANSMISSION LINE
- - - EXISTING 69 kV TRANSMISSION LINE
- ⊗ SINGLE POLE WOOD STRUCTURE TO BE REPLACED WITH STEEL STRUCTURE
- EXISTING ROADS
- +++++ RAILROAD

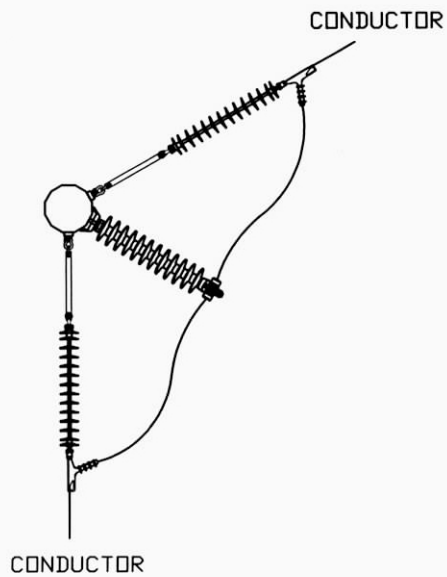


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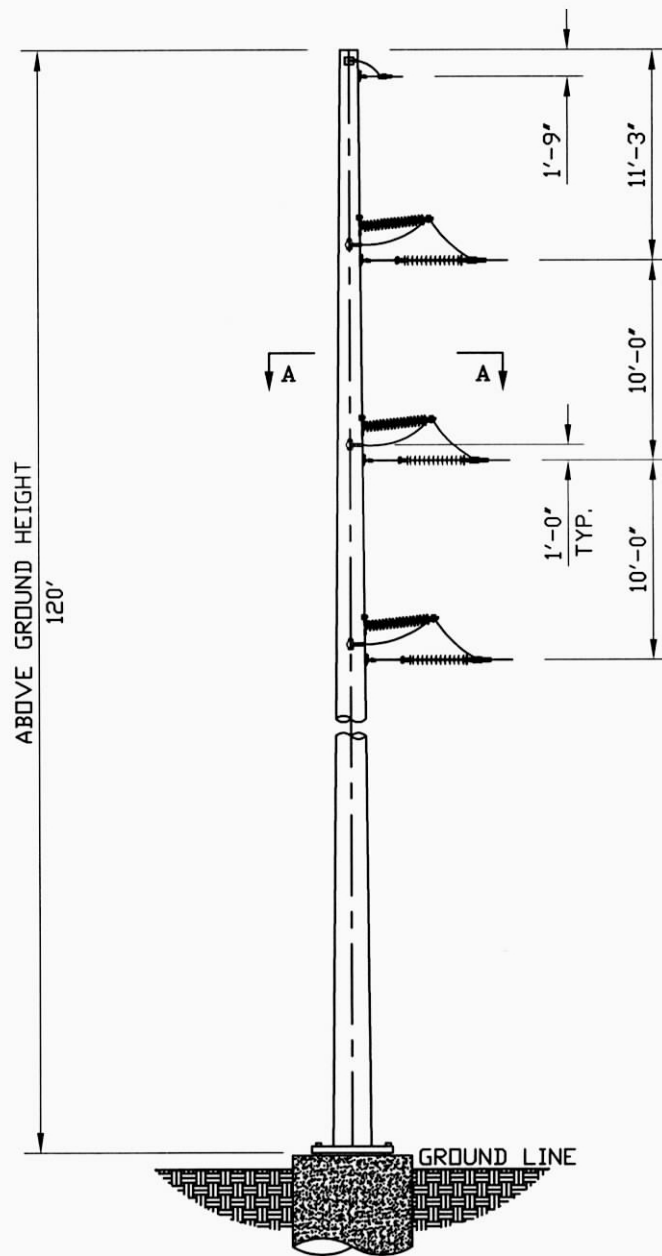
SEVILLE-STAR 138 kV TRANSMISSION  
LINE STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

GENERAL LAYOUT

EXHIBIT 3



**SECTION A-A**



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SEVILLE-STAR 138kV  
STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

SINGLE CIRCUIT, STEEL POLE  
DEADEND ANGLES 60-120 DEGREES

**EXHIBIT 4**

# EXHIBIT 5



OHIO  
Historic  
Preservation Office

## Legend

### NR Listings

- Listed
- National Historic Landmark
- Delisted

### NR Determinations of Eligibi

### Historic Structures

### Historic Bridges

### Historic Tax Credit Projects

### OGS Cemeteries

### Confident

### Not Confident

### Dams

### UTM Zone Split

### NR Boundaries

### Phase 1

### Phase 2

### Phase 3

### Historic Previously Surveyed

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# EXHIBIT 6

**Ohio**  
**County Distribution of Federally-Listed Threatened, Endangered, Proposed, and**  
**Candidate Species**  
*January 29, 2018*

County	Species	Status	Habitat
<b>Wayne</b>	Indiana bat ( <i>Myotis sodalis</i> )	Endangered	Hibernacula = Caves and mines; Maternity and foraging habitat = small stream corridors with well developed riparian woods; upland forests
	Northern long-eared bat <i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>	Threatened	Hibernates in caves and mines - swarming in surrounding wooded areas in autumn. During late spring and summer roosts and forages in upland forests.
	Eastern massasauga ( <i>Sistrurus catenatus</i> )	Threatened	Wetlands and adjacent uplands
	Eastern prairie fringed orchid ( <i>Platanthera</i> <i>leucophaea</i> )	Threatened	Mesic to wet prairies and meadows

# EXHIBIT 7

**Cargill, Mary E (Humphrys, Scott M)**

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**From:** susan\_zimmermann@fws.gov on behalf of Ohio, FW3 <ohio@fws.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 23, 2018 1:35 PM  
**To:** Cargill, Mary E (Humphrys, Scott M)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Seville-Star 138 kV Transmission Structure Replacement, Wayne Co.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
Ecological Services Office  
4625 Morse Road, Suite 104  
Columbus, Ohio 43230  
(614) 416-8993 / Fax (614) 416-8994



TAILS# 03E15000-2018-TA-1328

Dear Ms. Cargill,

We have received your recent correspondence requesting information about the subject proposal. There are no Federal wilderness areas, wildlife refuges or designated critical habitat within the vicinity of the project area.

**FEDERALLY LISTED, PROPOSED, AND CANDIDATE SPECIES COMMENTS:** Due to the project, type, size, and location, we do not anticipate adverse effects to federally endangered, threatened, proposed, or candidate species. Should the project design change, or during the term of this action, additional information on listed or proposed species or their critical habitat become available, or if new information reveals effects of the action that were not previously considered, consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service should be initiated to assess any potential impacts.

If you have questions, or if we can be of further assistance in this matter, please contact our office at (614) 416-8993 or [ohio@fws.gov](mailto:ohio@fws.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Everson".

Dan Everson  
Field Supervisor

# EXHIBIT 8



## Wayne County

Scientific Name	Common Name	Last Observed	State Status	Federal Status
<i>Callitriche verna</i>	Vernal Water-starwort	1978-06	T	
<i>Calopogon tuberosus</i>	Grass-pink	1997-06-28	T	
<i>Carex alata</i>	Broad-winged Sedge	1989-09	P	
<i>Carex cephaloidea</i>	Thin-leaved Sedge	2006-06-12	P	
<i>Carex lasiocarpa</i>	Slender Sedge	2001-06-30	P	
<i>Carex limosa</i>	Mud Sedge	2011-06-09	E	
<i>Carex sprengei</i>	Sprengel's Sedge	2005-06-08	T	
<i>Corallorhiza maculata</i>	Spotted Coral-root	1994-09-08	P	
<i>Eriophorum virginicum</i>	Tawny Cotton-grass	2007-10-31	T	
<i>Lechea intermedia</i>	Round-fruited Pinweed	1977-09-18	P	
<i>Lechea pulchella</i>	Leggett's Pinweed	1977-07-19	T	
<i>Melanthium virginicum</i>	Bunchflower	1997-06-29	T	
<i>Menyanthes trifoliata</i>	Buckbean	2011-06-09	T	
<i>Plagiotheciium latebricola</i>	Lurking Leskea	1996-12-15	T	
<i>Platanthera leucophaea</i>	Prairie Fringed Orchid	2012-07-03	T	FT
<i>Platanthera psycodes</i>	Small Purple Fringed Orchid	2008-08-10	P	
<i>Pogonia ophioglossoides</i>	Rose Pogonia	2013-06-17	T	
<i>Potentilla palustris</i>	Marsh Five-finger	2001-06-30	T	
<i>Rhynchospora alba</i>	White Beak-rush	2004-06-26	P	
<i>Sagittaria rigida</i>	Deer's-tongue Arrowhead	2009-06-23	P	
<i>Sarracenia purpurea</i>	Pitcher-plant	2013-06-17	T	
<i>Scheuchzeria palustris</i>	Scheuchzeria	2013-06-17	E	
<i>Wolffiella gladiata</i>	Wolffiella	2008-06-18	P	



Ohio Division of Wildlife  
Ohio Natural Heritage Database  
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Status based on 2014-15 Rare Plant List.

### Status:

X = Extirpated

E = Endangered

T = Threatened

P = Potentially Threatened

List Created: July 2016

## EXHIBIT 9

## WAYNE COUNTY

State Status	Federal Status	County	Category	Species	CommonName	Sensitive Species	Most Recent Record	FWS
Endangered		Wayne	Amphibian - Salamander	<i>Ambystoma laterale</i>	Blue-spotted Salamander	Yes	1966	
Endangered	Species of Concern	Wayne	Amphibian - Salamander	<i>Cryptobranchus alleganiensis alleganiensis</i>	Eastern Hellbender	Yes	1974	
Endangered		Wayne	Insect - butterfly	<i>Speyeria idalia</i>	Regal Fritillary	No	1950	
Endangered	Endangered	Wayne	Mammal	<i>Myotis sodalis</i>	Indiana Myotis	Yes		*
Endangered		Wayne	Reptile - Snake	<i>Opheodrys vernalis</i>	Smooth Greensnake	No	1937	
Endangered	Candidate	Wayne	Reptile - Snake	<i>Sistrurus catenatus catenatus</i>	Eastern Massasauga	Yes		*
Threatened		Wayne	Fish	<i>Erimyzon sucetta</i>	Lake Chubsucker	No	2012	
Threatened		Wayne	Insect - odonate	<i>Ophiogomphus carolus</i>	Riffle Snaketail	No	1993	
Threatened		Wayne	Reptile - Turtle	<i>Clemmys guttata</i>	Spotted Turtle	Yes	1965	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Amphibian - Salamander	<i>Hemidactylium scutatum</i>	Four-toed Salamander	No	1966	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Bird	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>	Sharp-shinned Hawk	No	1997	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Bird	<i>Cistothorus platensis</i>	Sedge Wren	No	1991	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Bird	<i>Colinus virginianus</i>	Northern Bobwhite	No	2006	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Bird	<i>Dolichonyx oryzivorus</i>	Bobolink	No	2014	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Bird	<i>Protonotaria citrea</i>	Prothonotary Warbler	No	2007	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Fish	<i>Moxostoma carinatum</i>	River Redhorse	No	1987	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Insect - mayfly	<i>Maccaffertium ithaca</i>		No	2006	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Invert. - fw bivalve	<i>Lasmigona compressa</i>	Creek Heelsplitter	No	2002	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Mammal	<i>Condylura cristata</i>	Star-nosed Mole	No	1989	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Mammal	<i>Eptesicus fuscus</i>	Big Brown Bat	No	2012	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Mammal	<i>Lasiurus borealis</i>	Red Bat	No	2012	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Mammal	<i>Lasiurus cinereus</i>	Hoary Bat	No	2012	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Mammal	<i>Microtus pinetorum</i>	Woodland Vole	No	1925	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Mammal	<i>Myotis lucifugus</i>	Little Brown Bat	No	2012	
Species of Concern	Threatened	Wayne	Mammal	<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>	Northern Long-eared Bat	No	2012	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Mammal	<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>	Tri-colored Bat	No	2012	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Mammal	<i>Peromyscus maniculatus</i>	Deer Mouse	No	1979	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Mammal	<i>Sorex fumeus</i>	Smoky Shrew	No	1989	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Mammal	<i>Taxidea taxus</i>	Badger	No	2007	
Species of Concern		Wayne	Reptile - Snake	<i>Regina septemvittata</i>	Queensnake	No	1986	
Special Interest		Wayne	Bird	<i>Anas rubripes</i>	American Black Duck	No	2010	
Special Interest		Wayne	Bird	<i>Dendroica magnolia</i>	Magnolia Warbler	No	2007	
Special Interest		Wayne	Bird	<i>Empidonax minimus</i>	Least Flycatcher	No	2007	
Special Interest		Wayne	Bird	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	Winter Wren	No	2007	



Wetland SS-06

Stream SS-03 @ 100' Width 2''

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Proposed Right-of-Way

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 Seville-Star138kV  
 Existing Wood Structure 10299  
 Proposed Steel Structure 10299  
 Project Area

-  Access Point  
  Delineated Stream  
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  Delineated Wetland  
  Floodplain  
  Railroad  
  Township  
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 $z \triangleleft$ **FirstEnergy**Seville - Star 138kV  
Transmission Line Project

**Delineated Features  
Structure 10299**

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**JACOBS**

June 29, 2018

Ron Amstutz  
Wayne County Commissioners  
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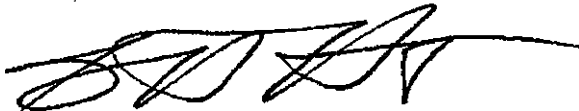
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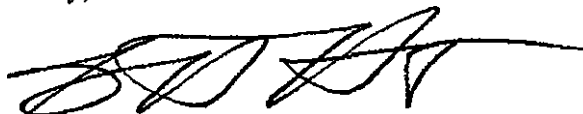
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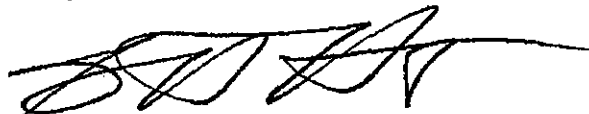
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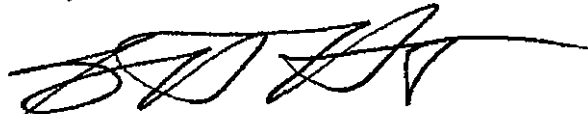
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Wayne County Engineer's Office  
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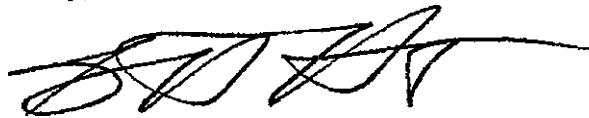
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Chippewa Township Trustee  
14228 Galehouse Road  
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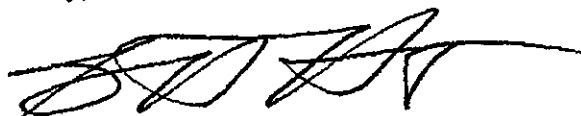
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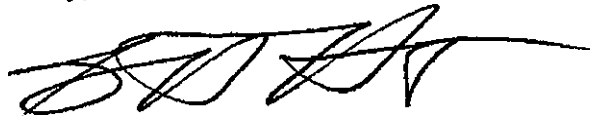
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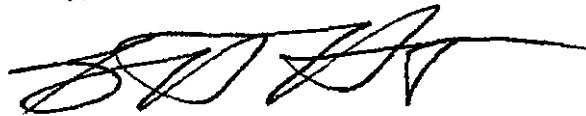
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Wayne County Public Library  
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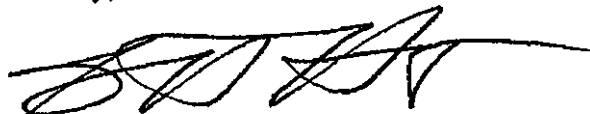
Dear Pam Schmrch,

Enclosed please find one copy of the Construction Notice application of American Transmission Systems, Incorporated ("ATSI"), a FirstEnergy company, for the Seville-Star 138 kV Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project ("Project") that has been filed with the Ohio Power Siting Board ("OPSB"). Please make the application available for public reference in the Rittman Branch of the Wayne County Public Library. We are providing a copy of the application to you for placement in your library in response to the requirements of the Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") Rule 4906-6-07(A)(2), which requires us to place a copy of Construction Notice applications in the main public libraries of the political subdivisions in which any portion of the Project is to be located.

As described in the application, ATSI is proposing to replace an existing wood pole guyed structure with a steel pole deadend structure supported on a drilled concrete foundation. The structure replacement is needed as a result of damage to the existing structure and to accommodate the adjacent 69 kV transmission line crossing. The Project area is located in Chippewa Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

Please feel free to call me with any question you may have and thanks in advance for making the Construction Notice application available to your patrons. My phone number is 330-384-2526.

Sincerely,



Scott M. Humphrys  
Transmission Siting Supervisor  
Energy Delivery Transmission and Substation Design  
FirstEnergy Service Company

Enclosure