

**BEFORE
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Application of AEP :
Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. for a :
Certificate of Environmental : Case No. 18-0033-EL-BTX
Compatibility and Public Need for :
Construction of the Seaman-Sardinia 138 :
kV Transmission Line Project. :

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

Staff Exhibit 2

October 24, 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.
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10 3. Q. Please summarize your educational background and work experience.

11 A. I received an Associate of Applied Science degree in Architectural
12 Technology from SUNY Alfred State College in 1986, a Bachelor of Arts
13 degree in Environmental Design from the University of Buffalo in 1991,
14 and a Master of City and Regional Planning degree from The Ohio State
15 University in 1993.
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17 I have been employed by the Commission for roughly twenty years. More
18 recently, my responsibilities at the Commission have primarily involved
19 social and cultural resource matters associated with site planning of major
20 utility facilities in the state of Ohio. I have also been the Staff lead on
21 numerous applications for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and

1 Public Need before the Board. Additionally, I have over ten years'
2 experience in public and private sector development and planning.
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4 4. Q. Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Board?

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

11 A. I am sponsoring the Staff Report of Investigation (Staff Report) that was
12 filed September 26, 2018 in this docket. I helped to manage the Staff
13 investigation and assisted in the preparation of the Staff Report in this case.
14 I am also supporting the Joint Stipulation on behalf of Staff, filed in this
15 case on October 22, 2018.
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17 6. Q. Please describe the type of case being considered in this proceeding.

18 A. The Applicant proposes to build a new 138 kV transmission line tap from
19 the existing Hillsboro-Maysville 138 kV transmission line to the existing
20 Sardinia Substation, allowing the existing 69 kV Seaman-Sardinia line and
21 associated facilities to be retired.
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1 7. Q. Please summarize Staff's investigation that was conducted in this case.

2 A. Staff's investigation included reviewing the application, conducting site
3 visits to the proposed facility location, acquiring additional information
4 from the applicant, obtaining input from state agencies that comprise the
5 Board along with other relevant state and federal agencies, and preparing a
6 Staff Report that presents Staff's analysis, conclusions, and
7 recommendations. As a result of Staff's investigation, Staff is recom-
8 mending that the Board approve the application, subject to the 21 condi-
9 tions that are presented in the Staff Report.

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11 8. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

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

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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 24th day of October, 2018.

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