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RE: Pre-Application Notification Letter
In the Matter of the Amendment to the Yager-Desert Road 138 kV
Transmission Line Rebuild Project
Case No. 18-1855-EL-BTA

Dear Ms. McNeal:

AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. ("AEP Ohio Transco") files this preapplication notification letter for the above-referenced Project, which it expects to file in January 2019 pursuant to Rule 4906-3-11 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

AEP Ohio Transco has identified the need to amend its certificate of environmental compatibility and public need for the Yager-Desert Road 138 kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project, which was issued on May 4, 2017, in Case No. 16-0535-EL-BTX, to accommodate reroutes and adjustments to the approved route that have resulted after detailed engineering and property owner negotiations.

AEP Ohio Transco anticipates that construction of the portions of the Yager-Desert Road 138 kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project that have not changed and will not be the subject of the amendment filing will begin in January 2019, with an estimated in-service date of November 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Christen M. Blend

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