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April 10, 2019

Interim Chair M. Beth Trombold Ohio Power Siting Board 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

### RE: In the Matter of the Letter of Notification for the Gristmill-Gemini 138-kV Transmission Line Project in Case No 19-0043-EL-BLN Supplemental Proof of Compliance with O.A.C. 4906-6-07 and -08

Dear Interim Chair Trombold:

AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. hereby files this supplemental proof of compliance with the notice requirements set forth in Rules 4906-6-07 and 4906-6-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code for the above-referenced project applications:

- 1. In accordance with O.A.C. 4906-6-07(A)(1), AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. served a copy of the Letter of Notification to each required chief executive officer or public agency head on January 24, 2019.
- 2. In accordance with O.A.C. 4906-6-07(A)(2), AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc., served a copy of the Letter of Notification to the main public libraries on January 24, 2019.
- 3. In accordance with O.A.C. 4906-6-07(A)(3), AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. maintains information on the website for each project as to how to request a copy of the Letter of Notification.
- 4. In accordance with O.A.C. 4906-6-08(A), AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. published public notices of the Letter of Notification in newspapers of general circulation in the project's area on January 28, 2019.
- 5. In accordance with O.A.C. 4906-6-08(B), AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. mailed a letter describing the project to each property owner and affected tenant via first class mail on January 24, 2019. The letter met all the requirements of this rule.

Hector Garcia Christen M. Blend Senior Counsel – Regulatory Services (614) 716-3410 (P) (614) 716-1915 (P) hgarcia1@aep.com cmblend@aep.com Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Christen Blend Hector Garcia (0084517) Christen Blend (0086881) Counsel for AEP Ohio Transmission Company

cc: Jon Pawley



January 24, 2019

#### **INFORMATION ABOUT A PROJECT NEAR YOU**

«OFFICE» «ATTENTION» «ADDRESS» «CITY», «STATE» «ZIP»

RE: Letter of Notification Wapakoneta Area Improvements – Gristmill-Gemini Transmission Line Filed as Gristmill-Gemini 138-kV Transmission Line Project Case No. 19-0043-EL-BLN

Dear «ADDRESSEE»:

You are receiving this letter because a transmission line project has been proposed in your area. We announced in July the Wapakoneta Area Improvements Project, which involves building approximately 15 miles of 138-kilovolt transmission line, building two substations and expanding an existing substation.

We wanted to let you know that a proposed power line route has been selected on the east portion of the project between the planned Gristmill and Gemini substations. The announcement follows an open house that took place in July to provide the public with detailed information about the project and an opportunity to comment. We continue to evaluate route options between the Gemini and West Moulton substations on the west portion of the project.

We have filed the east portion of the Wapakoneta Area Improvements with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) as the Gristmill-Gemini 138-kV Transmission Line Project, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Case No. 19-0043-EL-BLN. The improvements are expected to bolster electric service reliability for customers and support economic development. We're coordinating with the city of Wapakoneta and its electric department on the work, and plan to begin construction at the end of the year.

This filing consists of:

- Building the Gristmill Substation
- Building approximately .25 miles of 345-kV transmission line to bring power to the Gristmill Substation
- Building approximately 4 miles of 138-kV transmission line between the Gristmill and Gemini substations

Please see the attached Letter of Notification filed to the OPSB. This is required whenever we make certain changes to our transmission facilities, according to Rule 4906-6-01, et. seq., of the Ohio Administrative Code.

The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain these facilities is pending before the OPSB. Please make this Letter of Notification available to the public. We're also communicating with landowners in the project area. The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain the Gemini Substation was filed on Nov. 19, 2018 and is pending before the OPSB.

Please contact me at (614) 552-1134 or <u>ikdemaree@aep.com</u> if you would like an electronic copy of the Letter of Notification or if you have any questions about this project.

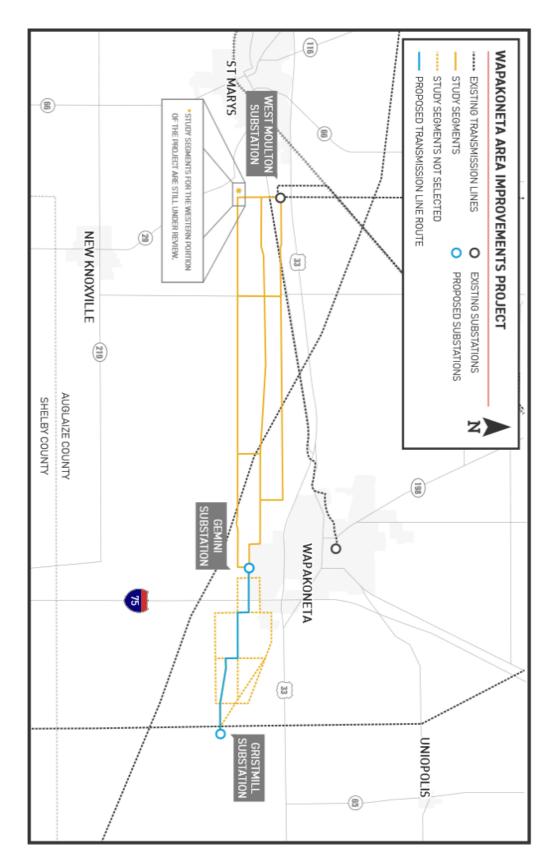
Sincerely,

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Joe Demaree AEP Ohio Project Outreach Specialist

AEP Ohio 700 Morrison Road Gahanna, OH 43230







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January 24, 2019

#### ATTN: IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR PROPERTY

«Owner\_Name» «ADDRESS» «CITY», «STATE» «ZIP»

RE: Letter of Notification Wapakoneta Area Improvements – Gristmill-Gemini Transmission Line Filed as Gristmill-Gemini 138-kV Transmission Line Project Case No. 19-0043-EL-BLN

Dear Neighbor,

You are receiving this letter because public records indicate you own property or live near a proposed transmission line project. We announced in July the Wapakoneta Area Improvements Project, which involves building approximately 15 miles of 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line, building two substations and expanding an existing substation.

We wanted to let you know that a proposed power line route has been selected on the east portion of the project between the planned Gristmill and Gemini substations. The announcement follows an open house that took place in July to provide the public with detailed information about the project and an opportunity to comment. We continue to evaluate route options between the Gemini and West Moulton substations on the west portion of the project.

We have filed the east portion of the Wapakoneta Area Improvements with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) as the Gristmill-Gemini 138-kV Transmission Line Project. This filing consists of:

- Building the Gristmill Substation
- Building approximately .25 miles of 345-kV transmission line to bring power to the Gristmill Substation
- Building approximately 4 miles of 138-kV transmission line between the Gristmill and Gemini substations

The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain the Gemini Substation was filed on Nov. 19, 2018 and is pending before the OPSB.

#### Please see Page 3 of this document for key regulatory information associated with this project.

The improvements are expected to bolster electric service reliability for customers and support economic development. We're coordinating with the city of Wapakoneta and its electric department on the work, and plan to begin construction at the end of the year.

- Calling Joe Demaree at (614) 552-1134
- Sending an email to jkdemaree@aep.com
- Sending your comments directly to the OPSB at 180 E. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793. You may also contact the OPSB at (866) 270-6772 or contactopsb@puc.state.oh.us. (Note: You can file petitions to intervene in the OPSB process to the siting board up to 10 days following the public notice announcing the project).

The map below shows the project area. Please used this map only as a general guide due to its reduced scale and limited detail. Feel free to contact me and I would be happy to answer any questions about this project.

Sincerely,

Joe Simarce

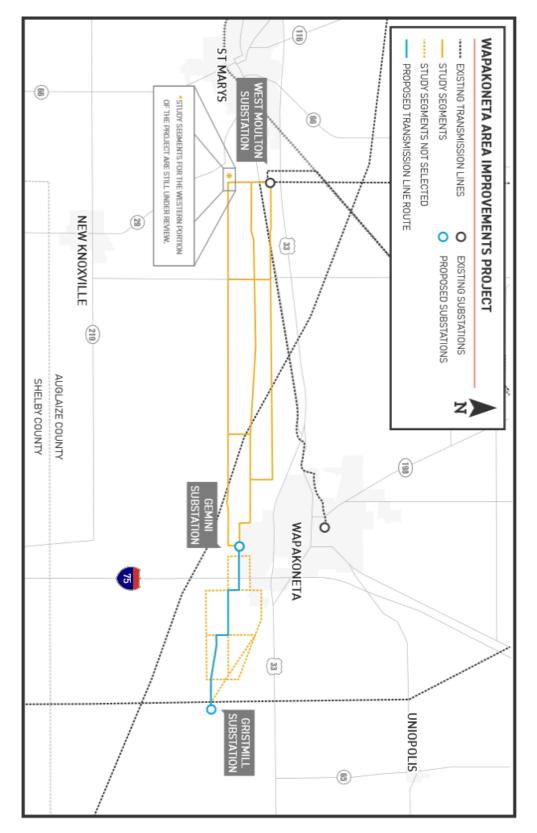
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# Wapakoneta Area Improvements – Gristmill-Gemini Transmission Line Regulatory Information Q&A

Representatives of AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc., (AEP Ohio Transco) have prepared and filed a Letter of Notification to the State of Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) for this proposed project. This filing is required when we make certain changes to our transmission facilities, according to Rule 4906-6-01, et. seq., of the Ohio Administrative Code.

#### What is the name and docket number for this project filing?

We're filing this project with the OPSB as the Gristmill-Gemini 138-kV Transmission Line Project, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Case No. 19-0043-EL-BLN.

#### What happens now that the letter has been filed?

The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain this facility is pending before the OPSB.

#### Where can I find physical copies of the Letter of Notification?

Copies of the actual Letter of Notification, including specific details about the location and construction, are available for public inspection at the following locations:

- Auglaize County Public Library, 203 S. Perry St., Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895
- Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 E. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 (866) 270-6772

contactopsb@puc.state.oh.us

#### Where can I find electronic copies of the Letter of Notification?

Electronic versions of the Letter of Notification are available at <u>http://www.aeptransmission.com/ohio/</u> and at the OPSB website at <u>http://opsb.ohio.gov</u>. Search under current cases for Case No. 19-0043-EL-BLN.





## **Proof of Publication**

I, Walter Dozier, do herby attest that the AEP Legal Notices did appear in the following newspaper(s) as ordered:

Wapakoneta Daily News

1/28/19

Dozier Date

State of Ohio County of Franklin

On this day, the  $\Delta$   $\delta$  day of January, 2019 before me, Patricia A. Conkle, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Walter Dozier, proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name was subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed it.

Witness my hand and official seal.

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Notary Public



Patricia A. Conkle Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires 06-17-19

# Sustainable farming becoming more prevalent in US

#### **By JENNA GILBERT STAFF WRITER**

The St. Marys Community Public Library held the first of five of their installments on sustainability Thursday evening. Although there was a small crowd, that didn't stop Technology Coordinator Angela Karen from talking about sustainability as it relates to food and agriculture - a topic common to Auglaize County which is home to more than 1,000 farms according to the 2012 census.

Karen mentioned that sustainability trends are becoming more and more popular in today's society. While some practices are more popular in Europe, she did say that some practicing are starting to get picked up in America, more specifically in the larger farms in the western part of the country.

One reason for the growing sustainability efforts, Karen mentioned, is climate change.

"Whether you believe it is human made or natural processes the planet goes through we still need to think about sustaining our lives and thinking of the future and planning ahead for survival of the species whether it is manmade disasters or natural cataclysm," she said.

Another need is because of the over use of the soil and the erosion that is hap-

er demand for food with population increases. She cited that in the 1990s farmers, on average, were feeding 126 people per year. Since then the population has increased thus increase the number of mouths to feed.

And while farming has seen increases in productions because of industrialization, an increase in produce like vegetables and fruits more readily available year round and items like coffee, tea and cocoa more accessible downfalls exist as well. Starvation still exists, especially in underdeveloped countries, as well as pollution as a result of the industrialization and food and safety concerns because of the use of pesticides and chemical fertilizers.

sustainability Through efforts, Karen mentioned individuals can help protect themselves from any worries they may have about the food they purchase, as well as how they can lower their waste amounts and plastic use.

One such means for consumers, Karen mentioned, was self growing of produce with growing of microgreens as well as creating aquaponics and hydroponic systems.

"Like you would grow your basil, but the microgreen version you actually only grow it for six weeks

pening as a result of a high- and then you use it in your salads and it uses less soil and less water but you have in the smaller amount you have the more nutrient dense plants in there," she said.

She added there are kits people can buy with stepby-step instructions on how to grow the microgreens. Most of the kits are made to grow salad greens but can also grow items like cauliflower, cabbage, broccoli, mustard seeds and other herbs and spices.

For those who are up for more of a challenge and are interested in the science side of food production, hydroponic and aquaponic systems are available as well.

"In your house you would have a small fish tank and then you would have your plants growing above and there's different companies that sell kits and so all you have to do is you order the kit, it comes in the mail, you assemble it, you follow all their step-by-step instructions and you have a little aquaponics in your house for lettuce and herbs," Karen explained. "There are countertop models up to bigger scaled models."

She mentioned that with the aquaponics, it is similar to creating a self sustaining ecosystem that feeds off of itself. Small to large fish can be added to the tanks to make that possible.

"There is a list of a the best

fish to have in there and then there is from Koy fish to Salmon to Perch," she said of the larger tanks. "After awhile you could eat the fish and breed some new fish and have your own little ecosystem going there.

"And those aren't cheap either, you're looking at a few \$100 to a few \$1,000. But if you like your fish, a fish tank — you can have a small fish tank for \$10 up to thousands and thousands of dollars."

The hydroponics don't use fish and requires a system of water running through the system. There isn't a need for a lot of soil, but the pH levels need to be closely monitored which may be more for those interested in the science behind agriculture, Karen said.

With lowering waste products, Karen showed attendees ways other countries, and even some companies, are attempting to lower the use of plastic in the world.

Karen mentioned that some companies are working to cut back on plastic use — something she says our society as a whole has become very used to having and almost cannot function without — by using silicon based reusable products to replace them long-term.

One trend she said she's noticed is one that is stray-

the range of motion and strength in his shoulder. He and his wife have two devices at home despite the cost for one starts around \$4,000.

Lawler concluded his speech by saying that good blood ciring away from one-use plastic bags. She said reusable silicone bags are becoming more popular to replace the small plastic bags often used in packed lunches. Packs of five of the silicone bags can be purchased off Amazon for \$25 she showed, and while cus tomers won't get as many as they would with the plastic, the silicone bags last longer than the non-reform. Reusable usable straws and shopping bags were also mentioned as a way to keep plastic use down.

In Sweden Karen showed that they transitioned to recycling almost 100 percent of their waste, including the burning some of it to make fuel. She also cited Puerto Rico as a country that is trying to go green after large amounts of trash washed up on their shore lines.

She wrapped up the ses sion by reading a quote from American Philoso pher Aldo Leopold.

"Quit thinking about decent land-use as solely an economic problem," Leopold said. "Examine each question in terms of what is ethically and esthetically right, as well as what is economically expedient. A thing is right when it tends to preserve the integrity stability and beauty of the biotic community. It is wrong when it tends other wise."

culation is good for one's health and eating right and exercising help, but BEMER "helps take the blood home."

"That's critical," he said. "You want to get home, that is where the heart is."

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class 1 medical device, meaning its has the lowest level of risk that is associated with the device.

In support of the device, Lawler had Rotarians listen to audio testimonies from people

around the world who have improved their health thanks to BEMER and his wife also talked to Rotarians about what the device has done for her. Lawler himself said he used the device to improve



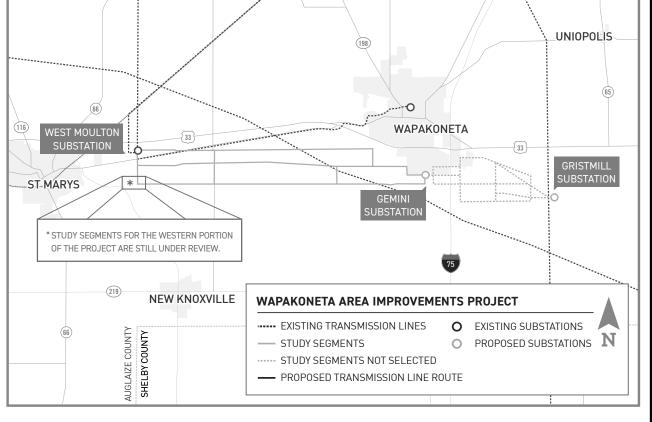
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The east portion involves building the Gristmill Substation, building approximately .25 miles of 345-kV transmission line to bring power to the Gristmill Substation and building approximately 4 miles of 138-kV transmission line between the Gristmill and Gemini substations.

Development of the project is taking place in coordination with the city of Wapakoneta and its electric department. The improvements are expected to bolster electric service reliability for customers and support economic development. Construction begins at the end of the year.

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The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain the Gemini Substation was filed on Nov. 19, 2018 and is pending before the OPSB.

The OPSB will accept motions to intervene in the Letter of Notification up to 10 days following the publication date of this notice. The requirements to intervene are available in Rule 4906-2-12 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Please address motions to Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 E. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 and cite Case No. 19-0043-EL-BLN.

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The following local city and county government officials have been served with a copy of the application as required by OPSB regulations:

Auglaize County Board of Commissioners, Mr. Don Regula Auglaize County Soil & Water Conservation District, Program Administrator City of Wapakoneta, Mayor Thomas Stinebaugh

Auglaize County Engineer, Mr. Douglas Reinhart Pusheta Township Board of Trustees, Mr. Jay Fisher City of Wapakoneta, Councilman Steve Henderson

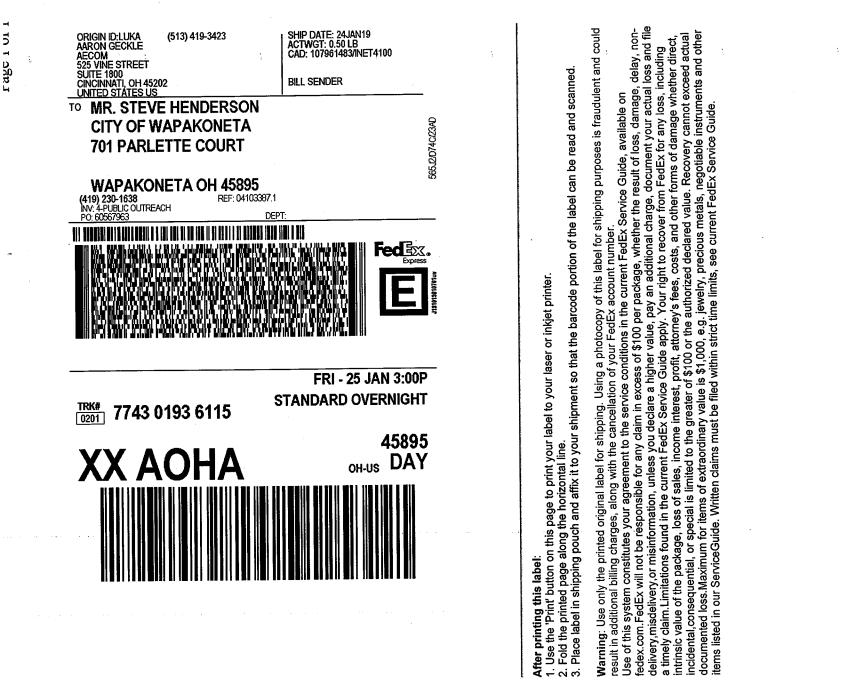
If you are a local city or county government official and would like an electronic or hard copy of the Letter of Notification, please contact Joe Demaree at the information listed below.

To ask a question or make a comment about the project, please call (614) 552-1134 or send an email inquiry to jkdemaree@aep.com. Mail inquiries can go to the following address:



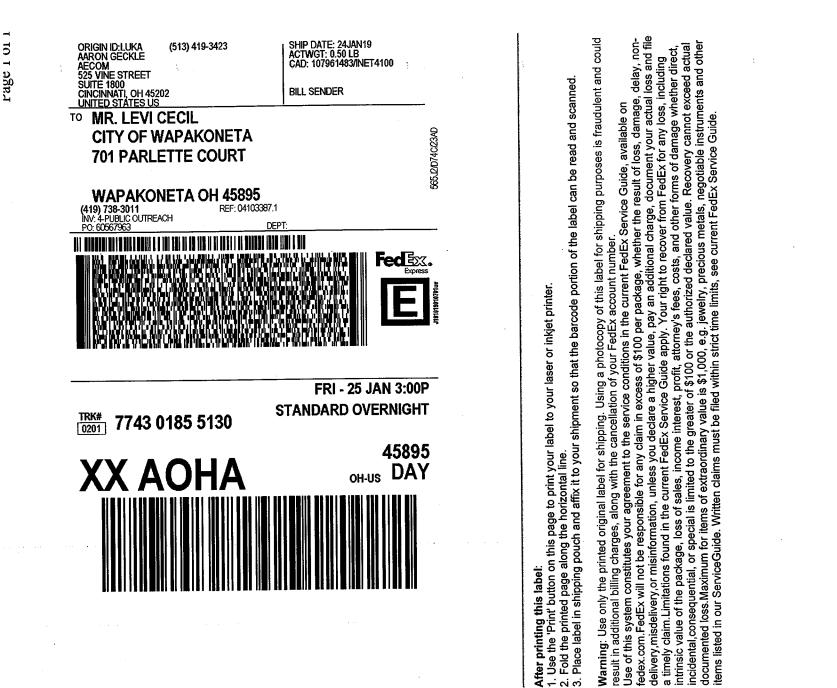
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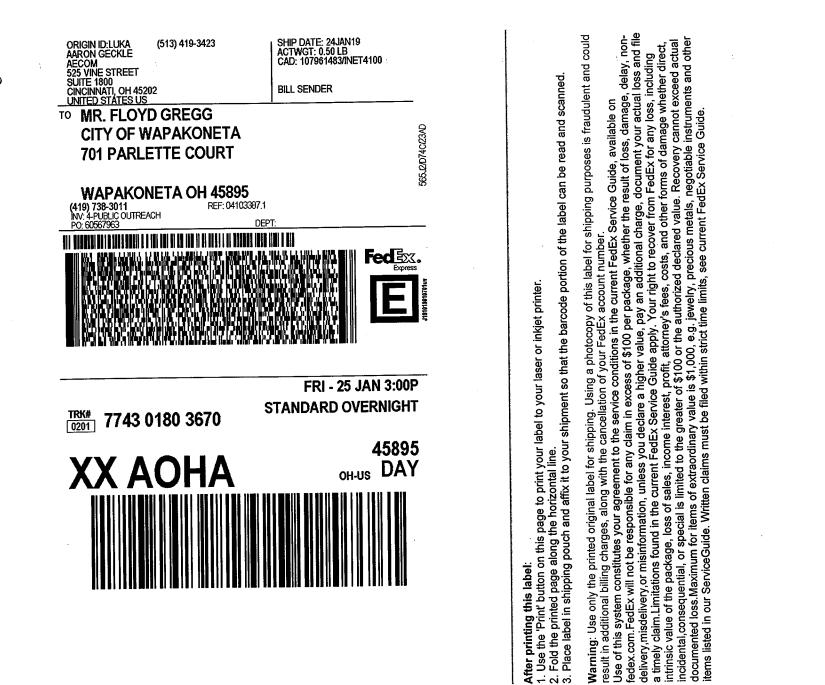


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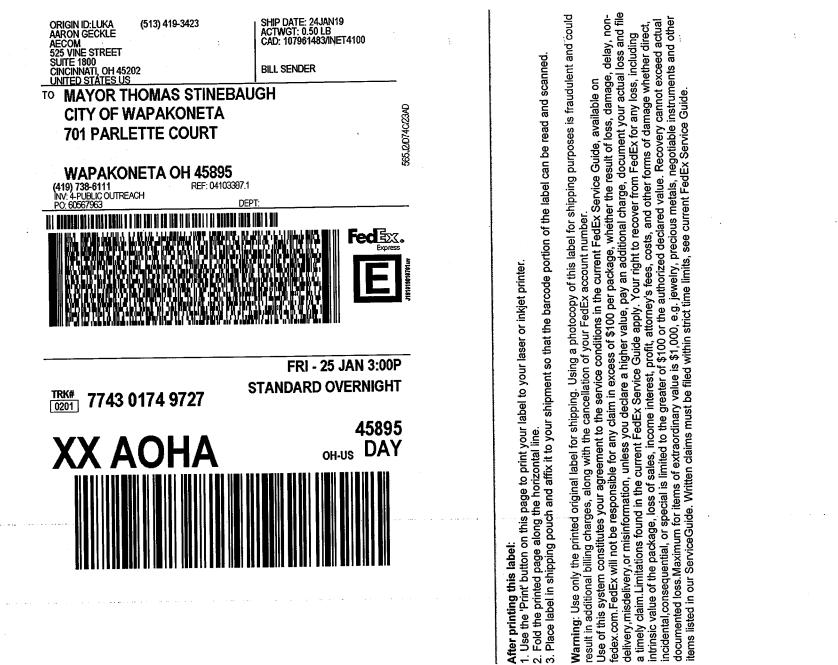
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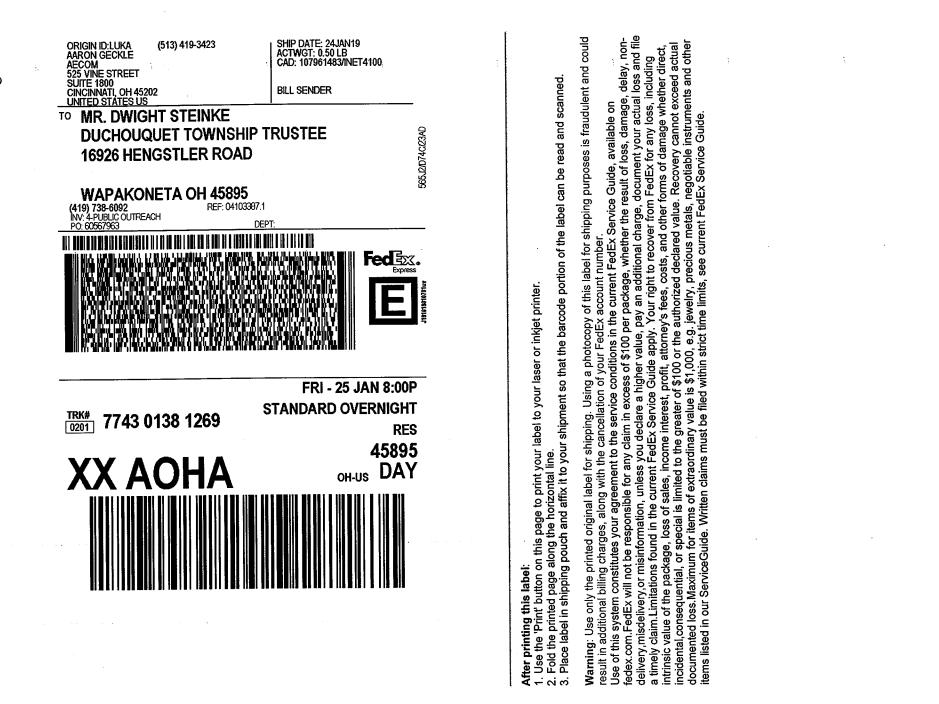
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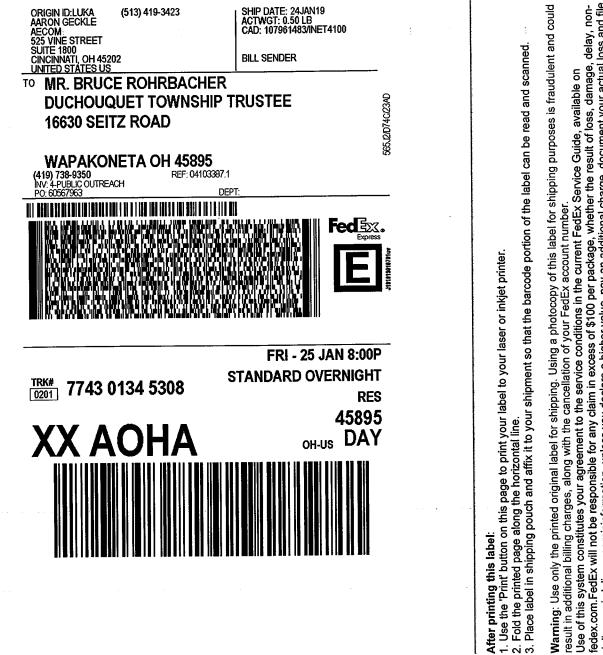


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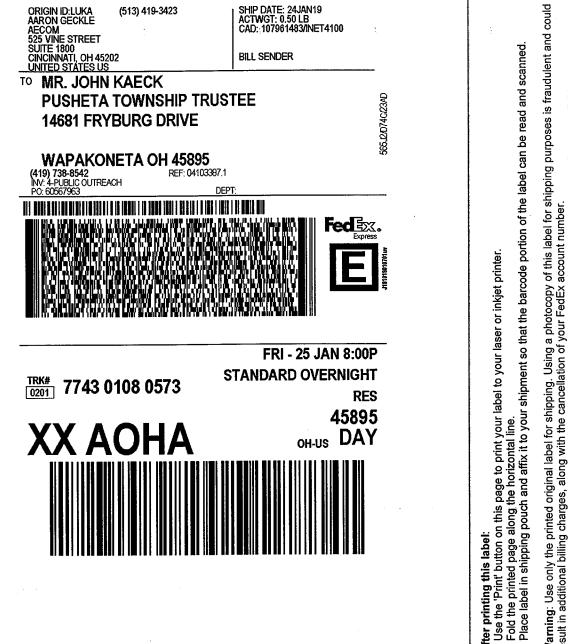
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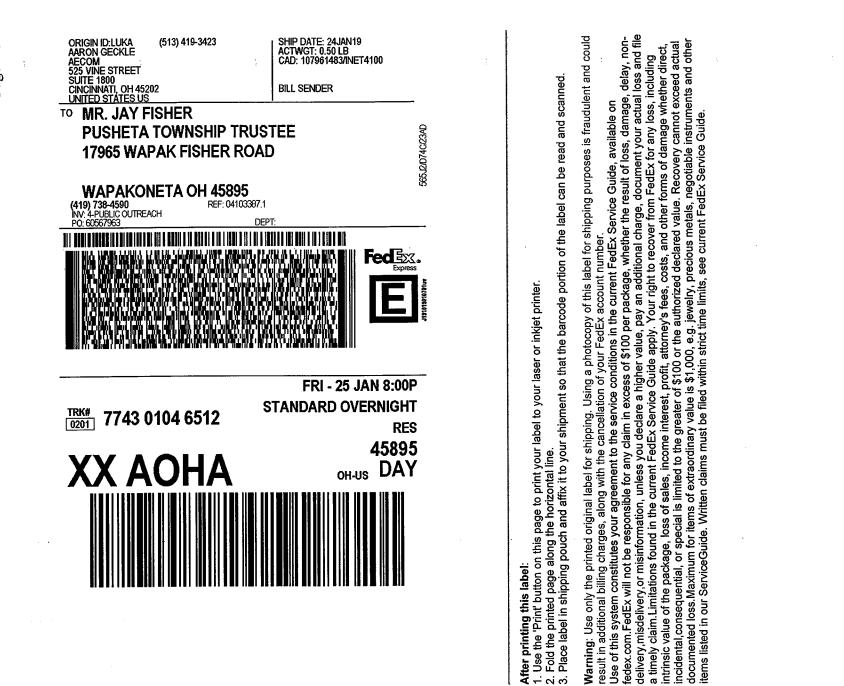
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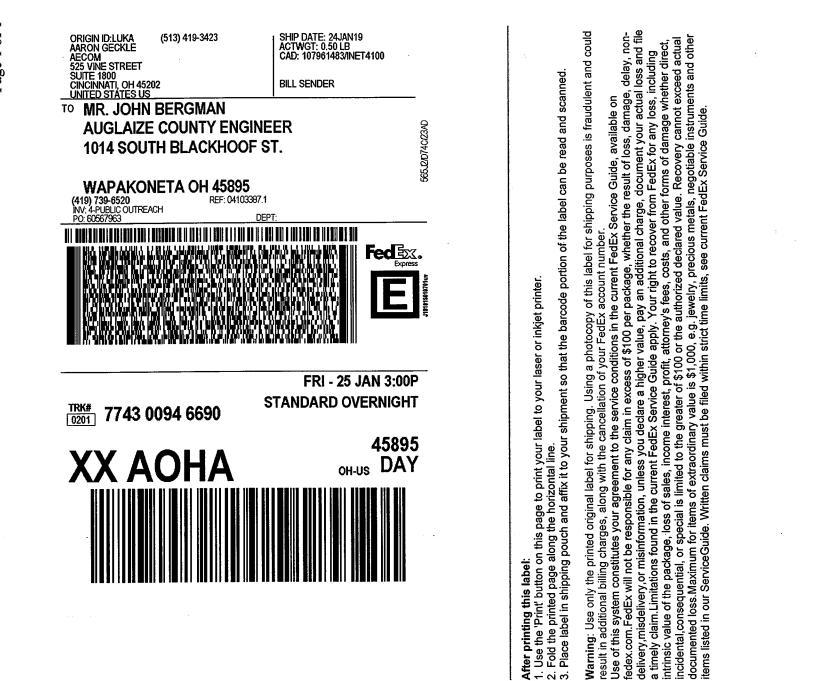
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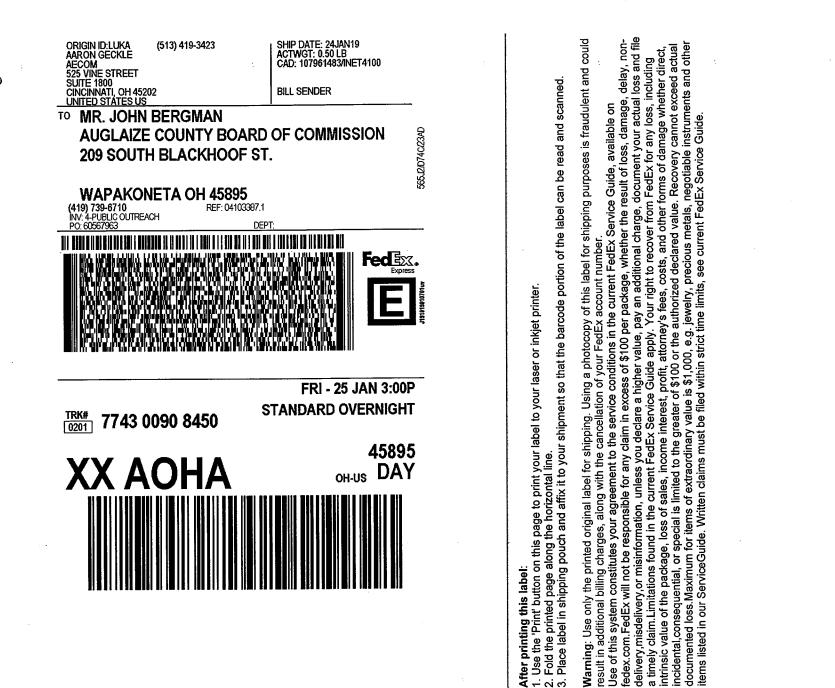


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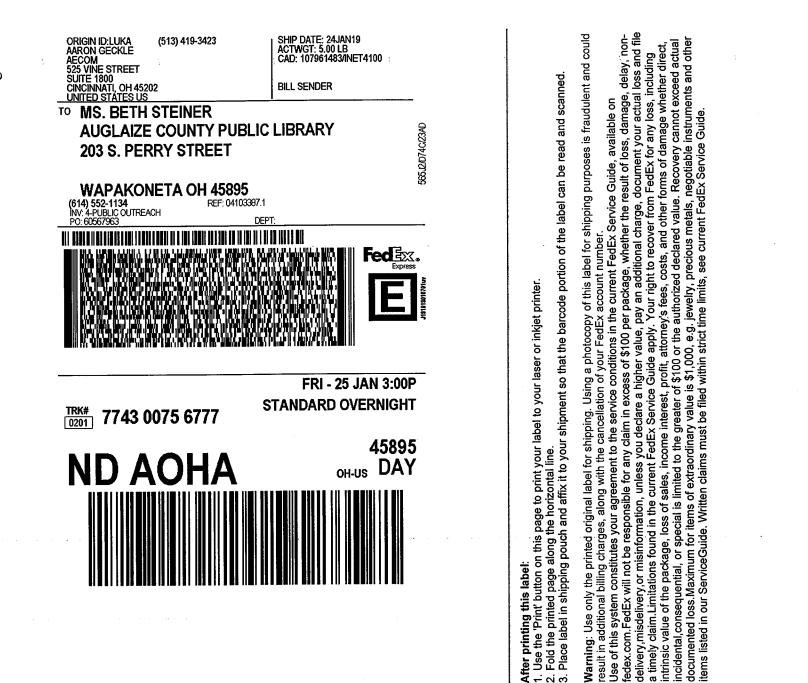
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Summary: Notice (Supplemental Proof of Compliance) electronically filed by Ms. Christen M. Blend on behalf of AEP Ohio Transmission Power Company, Inc.