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

**PRE-APPLICATION NOTIFICATION LETTER
HANNA-NEWTON FALLS 138 kV
TRANSMISSION LINE REBUILD PROJECT
Case No. 19-1857-EL-BLN**

Dear Ms. McNeal:

In accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (“OAC”) Rule 4906-6-03(A) and OAC Chapter 4906-6 generally, this letter will serve as the pre-application notice letter of applicant American Transmission Systems, Incorporated (“ATSI”). Applicant expects to file a Letter of Notification application with the Ohio Power Siting Board for the Project shortly.

In this Project, ATSI proposes to rebuild approximately 20.4 miles of 138 kV transmission line between the existing Hanna Substation and the existing Newton Falls Substation. The Project includes (1) the replacement of 138 wood pole structures with 127 wood pole structures and 9 steel structures; (2) the replacement of one double circuit steel lattice tower that is supporting both the Hanna-Newton Falls 138 kV Transmission Line and the Newton Falls-GM 138 kV Transmission Line with two new single circuit steel monopoles; (3) the replacement of a single circuit wood structure on the GM-Newton Falls 138 kV Transmission Line, and (4) the installation of new conductors, bracing of existing steel lattice structures, and installation of optical ground wire (OPGW) on the Hanna-Newton Falls 138 kV Transmission Line.

The Project will be located in Rootstown Township, Ravenna Township, Charlestown Township, and Paris Township, in Portage County, Ohio, and Newton Township and Braceville Township in Trumbull County, Ohio.

If approved by the Board, ATSI expects to begin construction as early as January 15, 2020 with completion expected by June 1, 2021.

Sincerely,



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