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**RE: In the Matter of the Letter of Notification for the  
Bethel-Sawmill 138 kV Transmission Line Project (Bethel-Brookside)  
in Case No 20-389-EL-BLN  
Proof of Compliance with O.A.C. 4906-6-07 and 4906-6-08**

Chairman Sam Randazzo:

AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. (“AEP Ohio Transco”) hereby files this 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 Transco served a copy of the Letter of Notification to each required chief executive officer or public agency head on March 25, 2020.
2. In accordance with O.A.C. 4906-6-07(A)(2), AEP Ohio Transco served a copy of the Letter of Notification to the main public libraries on March 25, 2020.
3. In accordance with O.A.C. 4906-6-07(A)(3), AEP Ohio Transco 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 Transco published public notices of the Letter of Notification in newspapers of general circulation in the project’s area on March 26, 2020.
5. In accordance with O.A.C. 4906-6-08(B), AEP Ohio Transco mailed a letter describing the project to each property owner and affected tenant via first class mail on March 25, 2020. The letter met all the requirements of this rule.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Tanner S. Wolffram

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Counsel for AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.

cc: Jon Pawley

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March 20, 2020

**UPGRADES TO YOUR LOCAL POWER GRID**

«Landowner»

«Mailing\_Address»

«City», «State» «Zip\_Code»

RE: Letter of Notification  
Bethel-Sawmill Transmission Line Rebuild Project  
Filed as Bethel-Sawmill 138 kV Transmission Line Project (Bethel-Brookside)  
Case No. 20-0389-EL-BLN

Dear Neighbor,

You are receiving this letter because public records show you own property or live near a proposed transmission line project.

AEP Ohio representatives plan to rebuild approximately 5 miles of 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line. The project involves replacing existing towers with steel poles between the Bethel and Sawmill substations in northwest Columbus and the Dublin area.

Company representatives filed the northern section of this project with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) in November 2019 and received approval in February. As the project continues to develop, we have filed the southern section of this project with the OPSB as the Bethel-Sawmill 138 kV Transmission Line Project (Bethel-Brookside). This section consists of rebuilding approximately 2.7 miles of power line between the existing Bethel and Brookside substations. **Please see Page 2 of this document for key regulatory information associated with this project.**

The upgrades are expected to improve electric reliability for customers and support economic development. Company representatives expect construction to begin this summer and conclude Spring 2021.

You may comment on this project by:

- Calling Joe Demaree at (380) 205-5046
- Sending an email to [jkdemaree@aep.com](mailto:jkdemaree@aep.com)
- Sending your comments directly to the OPSB at 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793. You may also contact the OPSB at (866) 270-6772 or [contactopsb@puc.state.oh.us](mailto: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).

Please review the enclosed fact sheet for more information. An interactive map and other resources are available at [AEPOhio.com/Bethel-Sawmill](http://AEPOhio.com/Bethel-Sawmill).

Sincerely,

Joe Demaree  
Project Outreach Specialist, AEP Ohio

## **Bethel-Sawmill 138 kV Transmission Line Project (Bethel-Brookside) Regulatory Information Q&A**

AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc., (AEP Ohio Transco) has prepared and filed a Letter of Notification to the State of Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) for this proposed project. We must complete this filing 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?***

The company has filed this project with the OPSB as the Bethel-Sawmill 138 kV Transmission Line Project (Bethel-Brookside), Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Case No. 20-0389-EL-BLN.

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

The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain this facility awaits review by 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:

- **Columbus Metropolitan Library – Dublin Branch**, 75 North High Street, Dublin, OH 43017
- **Columbus Metropolitan Library – Northwest Branch**, 2280 Hard Road, Columbus, OH 43235
- **Ohio Power Siting Board**, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793  
(866) 270-6772

[contactopsb@puc.state.oh.us](mailto: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 <http://www.aeptransmission.com/ohio/> and at the OPSB website at <http://opsb.ohio.gov>. Search under current cases for Case No. 20-0389-EL-BLN.



AEP Ohio  
8600 Smiths Mill Road  
New Albany, OH 43054

March 20, 2020

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

RE: Letter of Notification  
Bethel-Sawmill Transmission Line Rebuild Project  
Filed as Bethel-Sawmill 138 kV Transmission Line Project (Bethel-Brookside)  
Case No. 20-0389-EL-BLN

Dear «ADDRESSEE»:

You are receiving this letter because AEP Ohio officials have proposed electric transmission line upgrades in your area.

The project, located in northwest Columbus and the Dublin area, involves:

- Rebuilding approximately 5 miles of 138-kilovolt transmission line
- Replacing existing towers with steel poles

The upgrades are expected to improve electric reliability for customers and support economic development. Company representatives expect construction to begin this summer and conclude Spring 2021.

Company representatives filed the northern section of this project with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) in November 2019 and received approval in February. As the project continues to develop, we have filed the southern section of this project with the OPSB as the Bethel-Sawmill 138 kV Transmission Line Project (Bethel-Brookside). This section consists of rebuilding approximately 2.7 miles of power line between the existing Bethel and Brookside substations.

Please see the attached Letter of Notification, which we must submit to the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) when we make certain changes to our transmission facilities. This submission complies with Rule 4906-6-01, et. seq., of the Ohio Administrative Code.

The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain this facility awaits review by the OPSB. Please make this Letter of Notification available to the public. We also are communicating with landowners in the project area.

Please review the enclosed fact sheet for more information. An interactive map and other resources are available at [AEPOhio.com/Bethel-Sawmill](http://AEPOhio.com/Bethel-Sawmill).

Please contact me at (380) 205-5046 or [jkdemaree@aep.com](mailto:jkdemaree@aep.com) if you would like an electronic copy of the Letter of Notification or if you have any questions about this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Demaree". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Joe Demaree  
Project Outreach Specialist  
AEP Ohio



### Proof of Publication

I, Joshua Park, do hereby attest that the AEP Legal Notices did appear in the following newspaper(s) as ordered:

The Columbus Dispatch

3/26/2020

  
Joshua Park

3/30/20  
Date

State of Ohio  
County of Franklin

On this day, the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020 before me, Patricia A. Conkle, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Joshua Park, 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.

  
Notary Public



**PATRICIA A. CONKLE**  
Notary Public, State of Ohio  
My Commission Expires 06-17-24





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# NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

AEP Ohio officials plan to upgrade approximately 2.7 miles of 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line in northwest Columbus and the Dublin area between the Bethel and Brookside substations. The upgrades include:

- Rebuilding approximately 2.7 miles of 138-kV transmission line
- Replacing existing towers with steel poles

The upgrades are expected to improve electric reliability for customers. Construction begins this summer and concludes Spring 2021.

AEP Ohio representatives filed a Letter of Notification with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) as the Bethel-Sawmill 138 kV Transmission Line Project (Bethel-Brookside), Case No. 20-0389-EL-BLN. The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain this facility awaits review by the OPSB.

The OPSB accepts motions to intervene in the Letter of Notification up to 10 days following the publication date of this notice. The requirements to intervene are listed 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. 20-0389-EL-BLN.

The accompanying map shows the project area. Please use this map only as a general guide due to its reduced scale and limited detail. Copies of the actual Letter of Notification, including specific details about the location and construction, are available for public inspection at the following locations:

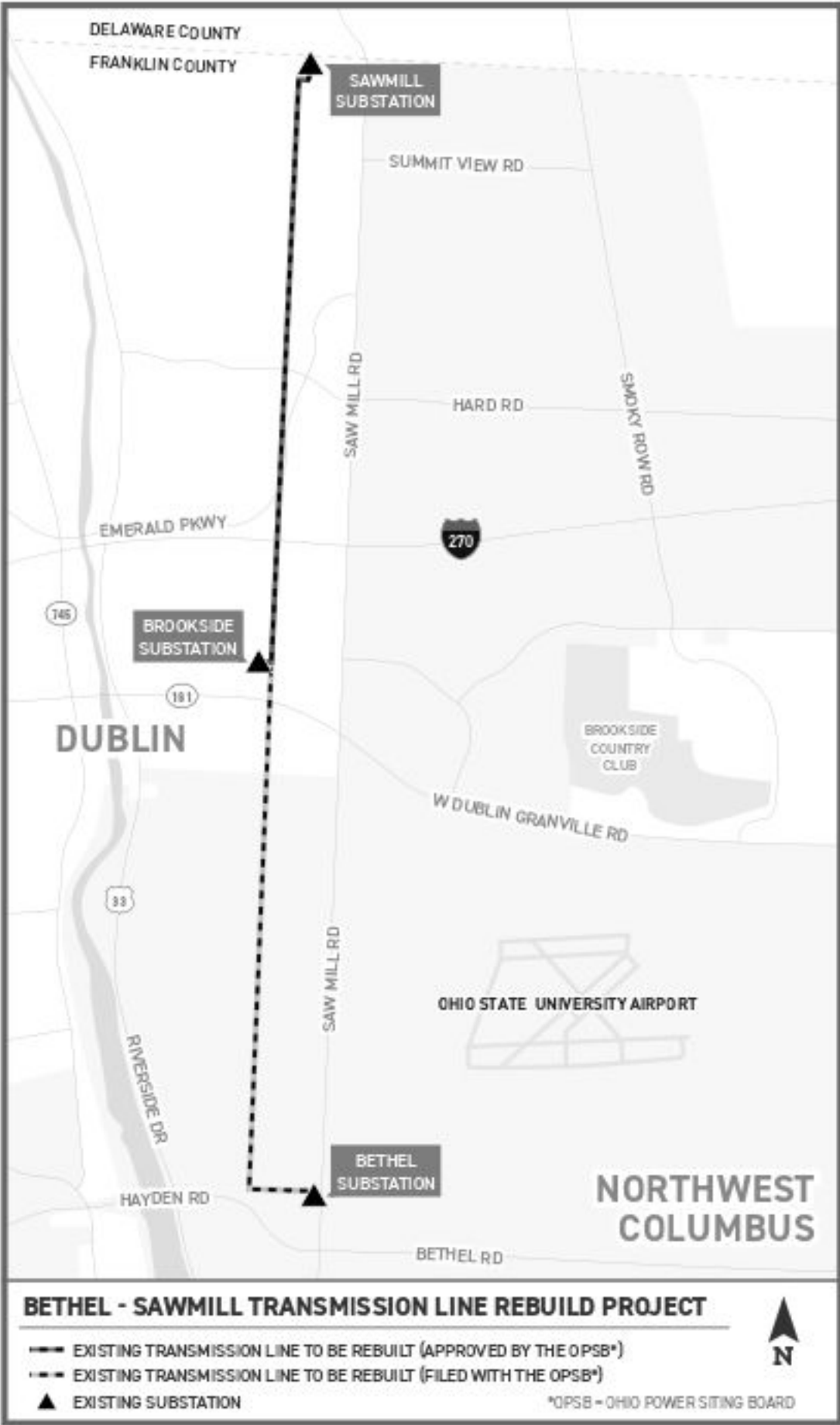
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Electronic versions of the Letter of Notification are available at <http://www.aeptransmission.com/ohio/> and at the OPSB website at <http://opsb.ohio.gov>. Search under current cases for Case No. 20-0389-EL-BLN.

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

- Franklin County Board of Commissioner**, Ms. Marilyn Brown  
**Franklin County Board of Commissioner**, Mr. John O'Grady  
**Franklin County Board of Commissioner**, Mr. Kevin Boyce  
**Franklin County Engineer**, Mr. Cornell Robertson, P.E., P.S.  
**Franklin County Soil & Water Conservation District**, Ms. Jennifer Fish  
**Perry Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. Chet Chaney  
**Perry Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. Andy English  
**City of Columbus**, Mayor Andrew Ginther

- Perry Township Board of Trustee**, Mr. James Roper  
**City of Dublin**, Mayor Greg Peterson



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 below.  
To ask a question or make a comment about the project, please call (380) 205-5046 or email [jkdemaree@aep.com](mailto:jkdemaree@aep.com). You may send mail inquiries to the following address:

**AEP Ohio**  
Attention: Joe Demaree  
8600 Smiths Mill Road  
New Albany, OH 43054



**This foregoing document was electronically filed with the Public Utilities**

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Summary: Notice Proof of Compliance Letter and associated exhibits for the Bethel-Sawmill 138 kV Transmission Line Project (Bethel-Brookside) electronically filed by Tanner Wolffram on behalf of AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.