**BEFORE**

**THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

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| In the Matter of Application of AEP Ohio Transmission Company for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the 765/345/138 kV Vassell Station Project, in Delaware County, Ohio. | :::::: | Case No. 11-1313-EL-BSB |

**PREFILED TESTIMONY**

**OF**

**JON C. PAWLEY**

**ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF**

**THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

**ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT**

**Facilities, Siting & Environmental Analysis Division**

**Staff Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_**

**January 20, 2012**

1. Q. Please state your name and business address.

 A. My name is Jon C. Pawley, and my business address is 180 East Broad Street, Columbus OH 43215.

2. Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?

 A. I am employed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) as a Utility Specialist 3 in the Facilities, Siting & Environmental Analysis Division of the PUCO’s Department of Energy and Environment. My position includes assigned duties by the Chairman of the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) to investigate applications filed with the OPSB and assist in preparing reports.

3. Q. Please summarize your educational background and work experience.

A. I received an Associates of Applied Science degree in Architectural Technol­ogy from SUNY Alfred State College in 1986, a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Environmental Design from the University at Buffalo in 1991, and a Masters of City and Regional Planning degree from The Ohio State University in 1993.

 I have been employed by the PUCO for roughly fourteen years, from 1991 to 1998 and from 2004 to present. Most recently, my responsibilities at the PUCO have primarily involved social and cultural resource matters associ­ated with site planning of major utility facilities in the State of Ohio. I have also been the Staff project lead on numerous applications for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need before the Ohio Power Siting Board.

 Additionally, I have over ten years experience in public and private plan­ning. I was employed as a Development Planner with the City of Powell (Ohio) and as a Senior Planner with the City of Columbus (Ohio) from 1998 to 2003. I have also worked in the private sector, most recently as a planner with ACP Visioning and Planning, a consulting firm with an office in Columbus, Ohio. My responsibilities as a professional planner included coordinating comprehensive, regional, and local planning efforts, neighbor­hood development and zoning issues.

4. Q. Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Ohio Power Siting Board?

 A. Yes. I have testified in the American Municipal Power, Inc. (AMP) generat­ing facility (Case No. 06-1358-EL-BGN), the Buckeye Wind (Case No. 08-0666-EL-BGN) and the Black Fork Wind (Case No. 10-2865-EL-BGN) proceedings.

5. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

 A. With my testimony, I am sponsoring the Staff Report issued in Case No. 11-1313-EL-BSB. I was the Staff project lead on this case, and managed the Staff investigation and preparation of the Staff Report.

6. Q. Did you write the entire report?

 A. No, I did not. I was primarily responsible for compiling the report and fil­ing the report in a timely manner, but I received contributions from many authors. I am responsible for any issues not covered by other Staff wit­nesses in their testimony.

7. Q. What other responsibilities does a Staff project lead have?

 A. I coordinated Staff field visits and the coordination of interrogatories for this investigation.

8. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

 A. Yes, it does. However, I reserve the right to supplement my testimony as new information subsequently becomes available or in response to posi­tions taken by other parties.

# 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 by regu­lar U.S. mail, postage prepaid, hand-delivered, and/or delivered via elec­tronic mail, upon the follow­ing par­ties of record, this 20th day of January, 2012

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