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Staff Investigation Report and Recommendation

Case No.: 09-597-EL-BLN

Project: Line F5689, 138 kV Electric Transmission Line
Loop to Rockies Express Substation

Applicant: Duke Energy Ohio

Report Date: 8 September 2009

Automatic Approval Date: 17 September 2009 (Letter of Notification process)

Waiver Request: None

Inspection Date(s): 23 July & 13 August 2009

Staff Assigned: J. O'Dell

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Summary of Staff Recommendations (see report text for discussion):

Application: Approval Disapproval Approval with Conditions
Waiver: Approval Disapproval Not Applicable

Summary of Staff Recommended Conditions (see report text for discussion):

- Applicant shall provide a Phase I Cultural Resources Survey to Staff for review and approval at least 14 days prior to construction.

Projected Docket Closure Date (if automatically approved): 30 June 2011

Investigation Report

Project Description: This project involves the installation of approximately 1.3 miles of 138 kV transmission line. The proposed line would provide a second 138 kV supply source to the Rockies Express Hamilton Compressor Station.

Site Description: Land use in proximity to the project includes, commercial, industrial, agricultural and interstate highway uses. The project is located in the City of Monroe, Turtle Creek Township, Warren County.

Discussion/Comments/Concerns: No appreciable change in agricultural land use is expected as a result of this project. The construction of this project should pose only minimal negative social and ecological impacts.

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