

Ohio Power Siting Board

Staff Investigation Report and Recommendation

Case No.: 11-4796-GA-BNR

Project: Cedar Lane Farm Replacement Line #1157

Applicant: Dominion East Ohio Gas Company

Report Date: 2 September 2011

Automatic Approval Date: 9 September 2011 (Expedited Construction Notice process)

Waiver Request: Withdrawn by Applicant

Inspection Date(s): 25 August 2011

Staff Assigned: J. O'Dell

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

Application: [X] Approval [] Disapproval [] Approval with Conditions

Waiver: [] Approval [] Disapproval [X] Not Applicable

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

None

Projected Docket Closure Date (if automatically approved): 31 October 2013

Project Description: This project would reroute approximately 1,600 feet of 12-inch natural gas transmission line. The replacement segment would be approximately 2,200 feet in length. The replacement is needed to alleviate pipeline corrosion. The Applicant's testing has determined that this replacement should be accomplished immediately; therefore, the Applicant has filed a request for expedited processing. The existing bare steel line would be replaced as part of the Applicant's ongoing Pipeline Infrastructure Replacement program.

Site Description: This project is confined to one parcel of farmland. The existing alignment is situated underneath a series of greenhouses. The replacement line would be installed away from the greenhouses to minimize any potential disruption of agricultural activities. Construction will take place immediately after harvesting is completed. The project is located in Green Township, Wayne County.

Discussion/Comments/Concerns: The construction of this project should pose only minimal negative social and ecological impacts.

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