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BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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In the Matter of the Application:
of AEP Transmission Company for :
a Certificate of Environmental :Case No.
Compatibility and Public Need :11-4505-EL-BTX
for the Elk North 138 KV :
Extension and the Elk South 138 :
KV Extension Transmission :
Project. :

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PROCEEDINGS

Before Bryce A. McKenney, Administrative Law
Judge, held at the Vinton County Community
Building, 31935 State Route 93, McArthur, Ohio,
on Thursday, December 6, 2012, at 6:00 P.M.

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We are making a motion to intervene as property owners of interest. We filed a public comment on March 29, 2012 stating the following:

Route alternatives:

The existing Poston-Ross 138KV transmission line is being rebuilt in 2011-2012. This transmission line will be reliable and have increased capacity due to the larger conductor size. Let us call the intersection of the Poston-Ross 138KV line with the Floodwood-Berlin 69KV line "J".

I believe Route **F-D-B-C-J** and Route **E-D-B-C-J** should be considered.

These two route proposals significantly shorten Routes 5, 6, 7, and 8. These two route proposals also follow the existing 69KV corridor. A new 138KV line from C to J would also provide additional capacity and reliability benefits to southern Ohio.

Vinton County is a beautiful asset to the state of Ohio. One of our biggest attractions is our rural landscape and aesthetic appeal. The proposed line Route **A-B** will build a new transmission line for several miles along US 50. This line will negatively affect the aesthetics of eastern Vinton County.

The existing Poston-Lick 138KV line and the existing Floodwood-Berlin 69KV line are fairly secluded from public site.

Tapping the Poston-Ross 138KV line reduces application route alternatives 5,6,7, and 8 by 9 miles. This alternative would allow the new 138KV line to be rebuilt in the existing 69KV ROW. We have not seen this alternative considered and scored against the other alternatives. Why has this alternative not been evaluated?

Wilkesville substation is fed radially from a 138KV transmission line called "Dexter-Meigs No. 2". This radial feed has impacted reliability to Wilkesville area customers in the previous years. One option for providing Wilkesville substation with a 138KV loop feed would involve extending the Meigs No.2-Raccoon No. 4 138KV line to the existing Poston-Lick 138KV line. Removal of the Poston-Lick 138KV line in this area will make a loop feed option for Wilkesville more difficult in the future. Wilkesville substation customers should be given the same loop feed criteria as the Waterloo and Bolin's Mills tap customers.

America has a long history of valuing "individual" property rights. In this case, the State of Ohio placed a deed restriction prohibiting new power lines from being constructed in the Vinton Furnace Experimental Forest (VFEF). If the State of Ohio can place a deed restriction on public land, then individual property owners should have the ability to do likewise on their land.

We understand the need to replace the end of life 69KV system feeding the McArthur area customers. We are not opposed to upgrading, but we do disagree with public lands being off the table. We also believe the route utilizing the existing 69KV ROW from Elk substation to the Ross-Poston 138KV intersecting point should be seriously evaluated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chris McDaniel" followed by a flourish that likely represents "Melissa McDaniel".

Chris and Melissa McDaniel

Sign in to testify

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