

BEFORE THE POWER SITING BOARD OF THE STATE OF OHIO

**In the Matter of the Letter of Notification Application by
American Transmissions Systems, Incorporated for a
Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public
Need for the Angola – Eber – Vulcan 138 kV
Transmission Line Structure Replacement**) **Case Number:**
) **13-0493-EL-BLN**
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Members of the Board:

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To the Honorable Power Siting Board:

Please review the attached Staff Report of Investigation, which has been filed in accordance with the Board's rules.

The applicant's accelerated certificate application in this case is subject to an automatic approval process as required by Section 4906.03 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The application will be automatically approved on May 23, 2013, unless suspended by the Board's chairperson, the Executive Director, or an administrative law judge. If suspended, the Board must render a decision on the application within 90 days from the date of suspension.

Any concerns you or your designee may have with this case must be presented to the Executive Director of the Power Siting Board at least four business days prior to May 23, 2013, which is the automatic approval date. To contact the Executive Director with concerns, reply to the email to which this document was attached, or use the ContactOPSB email address listed below.

Sincerely,



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Ohio Power Siting Board
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OPSB STAFF REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

Case Number: 13-493-EL-BLN
Project Name: Angola – Eber – Vulcan 138 kV
Transmission Line Structure Replacement
Project Location: Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio
Applicant: American Transmission Systems, Incorporated
Application Filing Date: 21 February 2013
Filing Type: Letter of Notification
Inspection Date: 4 March 2013
Report Date: 7 May 2013
Automatic Approval Date: 23 May 2013
Projected Docket Closure Date: 31 May 2015
(if approved by the Board)
Waiver Requests: none
Staff Assigned: J. O'Dell

Summary of Staff Recommendations (see discussion below):

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

Project Description

This project involves removing a wood pole with an inoperable switch and installing a new laminated wood pole and switch. The replacement structure would be installed approximately 20 feet northeast of the existing structure, within the existing right of way.

Site Description

No new easements are necessary to complete the project. Medium density suburban housing is adjacent to the existing transmission line.

Conclusion

Access is readily available for construction. No significant vegetative clearing is required. The construction of this project should pose only minimal negative social and ecological impacts.

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Summary: Report of investigation electronically filed by Mr. Adam S Bargar on behalf of Staff of OPSB