

BEFORE THE POWER SITING BOARD OF THE STATE OF OHIO

**In the Matter of the Construction Notice Application by  
American Transmissions Systems, Incorporated for a  
Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public  
Need for the Allen Junction Substation Expansion** )  
Case Number:  
13-1243-EL-BNR

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 July 5, 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 July 5, 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,



Kim Wissman  
Executive Director  
Ohio Power Siting Board  
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## OPSB STAFF REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

**Case Number:** 13-1243-EL-BNR  
**Project Location:** Sylvania Township, Lucas County, Ohio  
**Applicant:** American Transmission Systems, Incorporated  
**Application Filing Date:** 23 May 2013  
**Filing Type:** Construction Notice  
**Inspection Date:** 5 June 2013  
**Report Date:** 27 June 2013  
**Automatic Approval Date:** 5 July 2013  
**Projected Docket Closure Date:** 31 May 2016  
(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 a minor expansion of the Allen Junction Substation. The Applicant needs to install a second transformer, breaker and associated bus work to alleviate low voltages on the nearby 138 kV system. The expansion would be approximately 25,000 square feet, representing a 4% increase in the substation's footprint. The existing fence would be expanded to the southwest to accommodate the 116 by 216-foot substation addition.

### Site Description

The proposed expansion area is currently being maintained as a mowed lawn. No new easements are necessary to complete the project. The entire project would be confined to the Applicant's property.

### 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