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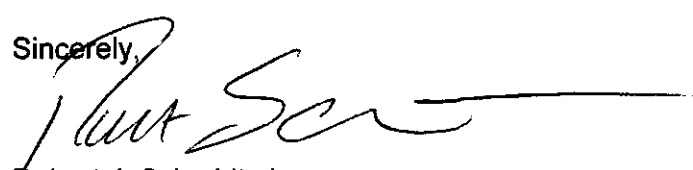
RE: In the Matter of the Letter of Notification for
Lowellville-Sammis 138 kV Transmission
Line Tap to Pennant Mainstream Project
Case No. 14-0036-EL-BLN

Dear Ms. McNeal:

Enclosed for filing are the original and 1 copy of the proof of publication in the above-captioned case. The public notice appeared in the January 15, 2014, Youngstown Vindicator.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,



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Attorney for Applicant American Transmission Systems, Inc.

Enclosure

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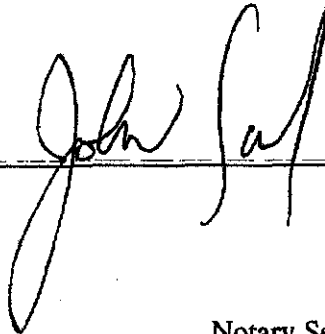
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Local events planned to commemorate MLK Day

Staff report

YOUNGSTOWN
The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Planning Committee of Mahoning County will commemorate the life and work of King with two events focusing on the theme "The Struggle for Justice: Owning Our Past, Claiming Our Future."

A community worship service is planned at 3:30 p.m. Sunday at New Bethel Baptist Church, 1507 Hillman St.

A community workshop is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to noon Monday at First Presbyterian Church, 201 Wick Ave.

The ecumenical worship service will include a feature presentation by the Rev. Gena Thornton, pastor of Grace African Methodist Episcopal Church in Warren.

The service also will include presentations by the local Emancipation Community Choir directed by Dr. Luke Shumbert, The Youngstown Connection and Scripture readings by representatives of the Muslim, Christian and Jewish faiths.

The free workshop will feature a number of local voices and community activists as it addresses Dr. King's challenge to fight for justice and rid the nation and the world of economic disparities.

Dr. Dorothy Collins, dean of TRIO Programs and Academic Advising at Eastern Gateway, will speak about education; the Rev. Henry McNeil, president of Baptist Pastors Council, will address the issue of credit unions; and Patrick Kerrigan, director of the Home for Good program of Alliance for Congregational Transformation and director of Oak Hill Collaborative, will speak about prison-to-work initiatives.

After these presentations, attendees will participate in roundtable discussions on initiatives for community collaboration and coordination on these issues.

Jaladab Aslam, the Rev. Kenneth Simon and Penny Wells are the co-conveners of the Rev. Dr.

Martin Luther King Planning Committee.

For information on activities, contact the MLK Planning Committee at 330-746-3250, ext.183.

Also planned for the King holiday is a presentation by Donald Lockett of VFW Post 6488.

The post will present its annual Trailblazer Award to Oliver R. Montgomery Sr. during its MLK Day program at 1 p.m. Monday at the post home, 2065 Coltsville-Hubbard Road.

Montgomery, retired international director of Steelworkers Organization of Active Retirees, joined United Steelworkers of American Local 2163 at the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. in Youngstown as a teenager working his way through college.

In 1950, he transferred to USWA Local 1942 at Sheet & Tube's Brier Hill Plant, where he became an industrial bricklayer.

A labor activist who dedicated much of his life to civil-rights issues, Montgomery is listed in "Who's Who in Black America."

State official says group's records are unauditale

Staff report

COLUMBIANA

Auditor of State Dave Yost has declared the Columbiana County Drug Task Force's records unauditale.

Yost said Tuesday the task force's financial records are inadequate for the regular audit of records from Jan. 1, 2011, to Dec. 31, 2012.

In a letter to the task force, the auditor's office provided a list of required records.

The task force must revise its financial records and provide the necessary information, the auditor's office said.

A call to the task force was not returned Tuesday.

Failure to bring records to an auditale condition could result in legal action, including the state attorney general's issuing a subpoena to task force officials to explain the condition of the records.

The attorney general also could file suit to compel the officials to produce the required information.

The state auditor's local government section is available to task force officials to assist in bringing records to an auditale condition, the auditor's office added.

Budget has funds for Valley projects

Staff report

Ohio Turnpike projects this year include two in Mahoning County and one in Trumbull County.

The turnpike's 2014 capital expenditures budget totals \$110,134,798.

The Turnpike Commission approved the budget at its meeting last month.

In Mahoning County, the Youngstown and Southern Railroad Bridge near New Springfield will

be repaired and resurfaced for \$1 million.

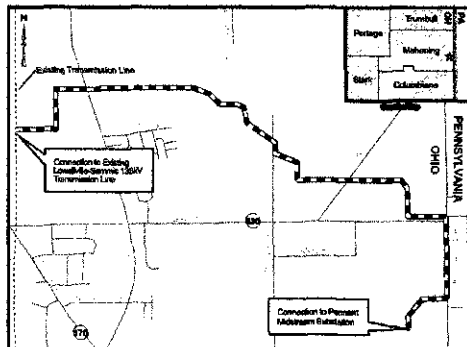
Five miles of pavement in that area will be resurfaced for \$5 million.

In Trumbull County, 5 miles of pavement will be replaced near the Lordstown exit for \$100,000.

A complete list of all projects planned for this year is available under the Construction tab at www.ohioturnpike.org.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

American Transmission Systems, Incorporated ("ATS") and the Ohio Edison Company ("Ohio Edison"), FirstEnergy companies, propose to construct the Lowellville-Summit 138 kV Transmission Line Tap to Pennant Midstream Project ("Project"), a new utility facility, in a Letter of Notification Application submitted to the Ohio Power Siting Board ("Board") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need. The proposed Project is located in Springfield Township, Mahoning County, Ohio. The proposed Project involves installing an approximately 18,500 foot (3.5 miles) long, 138 kV radial transmission line tap from the existing Lowellville-Summit 138 kV Transmission Line to a new customer owned facility. The general Project location is shown on the accompanying map of the area.



The following public officials and agencies have been served with copies of the Application as required by the Ohio Power Siting Board regulations:

The Honorable David Ditzler, Mahoning County Commissioner
The Honorable Anthony Traficanti, Mahoning County Commissioner
The Honorable Carol Rimeido-Righetti, Mahoning County Commissioner
Mr. Patrick Ginnetti, P.E., P.S., Mahoning County Engineer
Mr. Robert J. Lidle, Chair Mahoning County Planning Commission
Mr. Robert Orr, Springfield Township Trustee
Mr. Donald Williams, Springfield Township Trustee
Mr. Gerald Guterba, Springfield Township Trustee
Ms. Patti Gibson, Springfield Township Fiscal Officer

A copy of the application is available for public inspection at the offices of the Ohio Power Siting Board, c/o Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Utilities Department, 12th Floor, Borden Building, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, www.opso.ohio.gov. A copy of the application has also been sent to the following library:

The Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County, Springfield Branch 10418 Main Street New Middletown, Ohio 44442

A Letter of Notification Application for a certificate to construct, operate, and maintain the above named electric transmission line facility is now pending before the Board. The application has been assigned Docket No. 14-0036-EL-BLN, and the docket number should be referenced in all communications about this proceeding.

In accordance with the Ohio Power Siting Board regulations (Admin. Code Rule 4906-5-08), the following sections of the Ohio Revised Code plus additional information are shown.

Section 4906.10(A) Basis for decision granting or denying certificate

(A) The power siting board shall render a decision upon the record either granting or denying the application as filed, or granting it upon such terms, conditions, or modifications of the construction, operation, or maintenance of the major utility facility as the board considers appropriate. The certificate shall be conditioned upon the facility being in compliance with standards and rules adopted under sections 1501.33, 1501.34, and 4561.32 and Chapters 3704., 3734., and 6111, of the Revised Code. The period of initial operation under a certificate shall expire two years after the date on which electric power is first generated by the facility. During the period of initial operation, the facility shall be subject to the enforcement and monitoring powers of the director of environmental protection under Chapters 3704., 3734., and 6111, of the Revised Code and to the emergency provisions under those chapters. If a major utility facility constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of its certificate is unable to operate in compliance with all applicable requirements of state laws, rules, and standards pertaining to air pollution, the facility may apply to the director of environmental protection for a conditional operating permit under division (G) of section 3704.03

of the Revised Code and the rules adopted thereunder. The operation of a major utility facility in compliance with a conditional operating permit is not in violation of its certificate. After the expiration of the period of initial operation of a major utility facility, the facility shall be under the jurisdiction of the environmental protection agency and shall comply with all laws, rules, and standards pertaining to air pollution, water pollution, and solid and hazardous waste disposal.

The board shall not grant a certificate for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a major utility facility, either as proposed or as modified by the board, unless it finds and determines all of the following:

- (1) The basis of the need for the facility if the facility is an electric transmission line or gas or natural gas transmission line;
- (2) The nature of the probable environmental impact;
- (3) That the facility represents the minimum adverse environmental impact, considering the state of available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives, and other pertinent considerations;
- (4) In the case of an electric transmission line or generating facility, that the facility is consistent with regional plans for expansion of the electric power grid of the electric systems serving this state and interconnected utility systems and that the facility will serve the interests of electric system economy and reliability;
- (5) That the facility will comply with Chapters 3704., 3734., and 6111, of the Revised Code and all rules and standards adopted under those chapters and under sections 1501.33, 1501.34, and 4561.32 of the Revised Code. In determining whether the facility will comply with all rules and standards adopted under section 4561.32 of the Revised Code, the board shall consult with the office of aviation of the division of multi-modal planning and programs of the department of transportation under section 4561.341 of the Revised Code.
- (6) That the facility will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity;
- (7) In addition to the provisions contained in divisions (A)(1) to (6) of this section and rules adopted under those divisions, what its impact will be on the viability as agricultural land of any land in an existing agricultural district established under Chapter 629. of the Revised Code that is located within the site and alternative site of the proposed major utility facility. Rules adopted to evaluate impact under division (A)(7) of this section shall not require the compilation, creation, submission, or production of any information, document, or other data pertaining to land not located within the site and alternative site.
- (8) That the facility incorporates maximum feasible water conservation practices as determined by the board, considering available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives.

Section 4906.07. Public hearing on application

(A) Upon the receipt of an application complying with section 4906.06 of the Revised Code, the power siting board shall promptly fix a date for a public hearing thereon, not less than sixty nor more than ninety days after such receipt, and shall conclude the proceeding as expeditiously as practicable.

(B) On an application for an amendment of a certificate, the board shall hold a hearing in the same manner as a hearing is held on an application for a certificate if the proposed change in the facility would result in any material increase in any environmental impact of the facility or a substantial change in the location of all or a portion of such facility other than as provided in the alternatives set forth in the application.

(C) The chairman of the power siting board shall cause each application filed with the board to be investigated and shall, not less than fifteen days prior to the date any application is set for hearing submit a written report to the board and to the applicant. A copy of such report shall be made available to any person upon request. Such report shall set forth the nature of the investigation, and shall contain recommended findings with regard to division (A) of section 4906.10 of the Revised Code and shall become part of the record and served upon all parties to the proceeding.

At this time, no public hearing has been scheduled.

4906.08(C). Parties - testimony

(C) The board shall accept written or oral testimony from any person at the public hearing, but the right to call and examine witnesses shall be reserved for parties. However, the board may adopt rules to exclude repetitive, immaterial, or irrelevant testimony.

Intervention.

Petitions to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing will be accepted by the Board up to 10 days following publication of this notice as required by Finding and Order 5(c) issued on December 17, 2012 in Docket No. 12-1981-GE-BRO or later, if good cause is shown. However, the Board strongly encourages interested persons who wish to intervene to file their petitions as early as possible. Petitions should be addressed to the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 and cite the above-listed case number. (Docket No. 14-0036-EL-BLN)