

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 Lakeshore-Lakeshore SVC 138 kV
Transmission Line**)
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) **Case Number:**
) **14-1512-EL-BNR**
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Members of the Board:

Chairman, Public Utilities Commission	Ohio House of Representatives
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Director, Department of Health	
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Director, Environmental Protection Agency	
Director, Department of Natural Resources	
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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 December 9, 2014, 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 December 9, 2014, 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: 14-1512-EL-BNR
Project Name: Lakeshore-Lakeshore SVC 138 kV Transmission Line
Project Location: Cuyahoga County
Applicant: American Transmission Systems, Incorporated
Application Filing Date: October 27, 2014
Filing Type: Construction Notice
Inspection Date: November 7, 2014
Report Date: December 1, 2014
Automatic Approval Date: December 9, 2014
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 the construction of approximately 450 feet of 138 kilovolt (kV) transmission line. The line is needed to provide service to the Applicant's new Lakeshore Static Var Compensator (SVC) facility. The SVC facility is designed to mitigate voltage fluctuations in the area. The Lakeshore Plant is a coal plant that is scheduled to close in 2015. The SVC facility would be utilized to stabilize the electric grid.

Site Description

The tap is located entirely on the applicant's Lakeshore Power Plant property. The proposed line is sited on the existing coal storage area. No new right-of-way or easements are required.

Conclusion

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

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Summary: Staff Report of Investigation electronically filed by Mrs. Yvonne W Cooper on behalf of Staff of OPSB