

**BEFORE
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Application of AEP :
Ohio Transmission Company for a :
Certificate of Environmental :
Compatibility and Public Need to : Case No. 13-429-EL-BTX
Construct the 138kV Biers Run- :
Hopetown-Delano Transmission Line :
Project. :

**PREFILED TESTIMONY
OF
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT
OHIO POWER SITING BOARD STAFF**

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December 30, 2014

1 1. Q. Please state your name and business address.

2 A. My name is Jon C. Pawley, and my business address is 180 East Broad
3 Street, Columbus OH 43215.

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5 2. Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?

6 A. I am employed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission)
7 as a Utility Specialist 3 in the Facilities, Siting and Environmental Analysis
8 Division of the Commission's Department of Energy and Environment.
9 My position includes assigned duties by the Chairman of the Ohio Power
10 Siting Board (Board) to investigate applications filed with the Board and
11 assist in preparing reports.

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13 3. Q. Please summarize your educational background and work experience.

14 A. I received an Associates of Applied Science degree in Architectural Tech-
15 nology from SUNY Alfred State College in 1986, a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
16 degree in Environmental Design from the University at Buffalo in 1991,
17 and a Masters of City and Regional Planning degree from The Ohio State
18 University in 1993.

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20 I have been employed by the Commission for roughly seventeen years.

21 Most recently, my responsibilities at the Commission have primarily

22 involved social and cultural resource matters associated with site planning

1 of major utility facilities in the state of Ohio. I have also been the Staff
2 project lead on numerous applications for a Certificate of Environmental
3 Compatibility and Public Need before the Board. Additionally, I have over
4 ten years experience in public and private sector development planning.

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6 4. Q. Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Ohio Power Siting
7 Board?

8 A. Yes. I have testified in the American Municipal Power, Inc. (AMP) gener-
9 ating facility proceeding (Case No. 06-1358-EL-BGN); Buckeye Wind pro-
10 ceeding (Case No. 08-0666-EL-BGN); Black Fork Wind Energy proceed-
11 ing (Case No. 10-2865-EL-BGN); Vassell Station Project (Case No. 11-
12 1313-EL-BSB); and the Biers Run-Circleville Project (Case No. 13-430-
13 EL-BTX).

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15 5. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

16 A. I am sponsoring the Staff Report of Investigation (Staff Report) that was
17 filed in the docket of this case on December 1, 2014. I managed the Staff
18 investigation and preparation of the Staff Report. In addition, as a signato-
19 ry party, Staff supports the Joint Stipulation and Recommendation that was
20 filed in this docket on December 23, 2014.

1 6. Q. What kind of a case is this?

2 A. The Applicant proposes to install a new single circuit 138 kV overhead
3 electric transmission line for approximately 12 miles in Ross County, Ohio.
4 The project is needed to improve and maintain the quality of service and
5 reliability to the south central Ohio area, including AEP Ohio Transco's
6 customer load area of southern Columbus, Chillicothe, Circleville,
7 Waverly, among others.

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9 7. Q. Do you have any changes or corrections to make to the Staff Report of
10 Investigation?

11 A. No.

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13 8. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

14 A. Yes. However, I reserve the right to submit supplemental testimony as
15 described herein, as new information subsequently becomes available or in
16 response to positions taken by other parties.

PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Prefiled Testimony of Jon C. Pawley, submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Ohio Power Siting Board, was served via electronic mail upon applicant's counsel of record, Steven T. Nourse (stnourse@aep.com), Matthew J. Satterwhite (mjsatterwhite@aep.com), and Yazen Alami (yalami@aep.com), this 30th day of December, 2014.

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