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October 2, 2015

Mr. Shawn Malone  
American Electric Power Ohio Transmission Company  
700 Morrison Road  
Gahanna, OH 43230**Commencement of Construction****Biers Run - Hopetown - Delano 138 kV Transmission Line  
Case Number: 13-0429-EL-BTX**RECEIVED-DOCKETING DIV  
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Dear Mr. Malone:

Staff attended your September 29, 2015 preconstruction conference for the above referenced project. At the conference, construction-related issues were satisfactorily addressed. In addition, Staff has reviewed the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan; Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Plan; Complaint Resolution Procedure; Engineering Drawings; OHPO Coordination/Memorandum of Understanding; Access Plans; Vegetation Management Plan; FAA/ODOT Aviation Coordination; and the additional required permits.

For reference, construction activities for this project will commence in three phases. Phase 3 is defined as all work along State Route (SR) 104 from the Veterans Administration Hospital entrance off of SR 104 south to the future Hopetown Distribution Substation. Phase 2 is defined as any work within the boundaries of the ODNR Pleasant Valley Wildlife Area. Phase 1 is defined as any work outside of Phases 2 and 3.

Staff believes that the Board's conditions for the project have been adequately addressed. As such, construction of the facility may commence for Phase 1 of this project, as discussed at the preconstruction conference.

Separate preconstruction conferences must be held in the future for Phases 2 and 3 prior to the commencement of construction in those areas.

Pursuant to condition 11 of the Certificate, please notify the Board the date on which construction activities will start for Phase 1, the date on which construction is complete, and the date on which the facility begins commercial operation.

Please also note that Staff periodically will be on-site throughout construction of this project.

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If you have any questions regarding the above, you may contact me or Jon Pawley at (614) 644-7631.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ray Strom'.

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