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Re: Commencement of Construction PUCO Case No. 13-0429-EL-BTX Biers Run-Hopetown-Delano 138kV Transmission Line Project

Dear Chairman Porter,

Per condition number 4 of the March 9, 2015, Opinion, Order and Certificate ("Certificate") in the matter captioned above, AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. ("AEP Ohio Transco") held a preconstruction conference for the project on March 4, 2016. AEP Ohio Transco appreciates that Staff attended the preconstruction conference.

Pursuant to condition 11 of the Certificate, AEP Ohio Transco is also notifying the Ohio Power Siting Board that construction of Phase II of this project will commence on Tuesday, March 8, 2016.

Please contact me should there be any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Hector Garcia

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Summary: Notification of Commencement of Construction electronically filed by Mr. Hector Garcia on behalf of AEP Ohio Transmission Company