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## Debate

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The News-Sun spoke with Burchett after the event and asked her to detail the \$800,000 cost. A public records request was filed with the sheriff's office, she said, and 40 grievances were found in the last three years. She then said Kelly said during a town hall that each grievance costs the county \$10,000.

Her campaign doesn't have a public record that says how much grievance filings cost, but she said they used math and information from the sheriff and the office to make that determination.

"The statement that she made about the \$800,000 is an absolute lie and false," Kelly said after the debate. "I want to see the documents. It is not true."

He condemned Burchett's statements.

"She took things out of context," Kelly said. "I never said that. That is not



LEFT: Deborah Burchett, candidate for Clark County Sheriff, speaks during a Clark County candidates forum at the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel Thursday afternoon. Pictured beside Burchett are, Melissa Tuttle, candidate for Clark County Sheriff Gene Kelly, and Commissioner David Herler. RIGHT: Clark County Commissioner David Herler speaks at a candidate's forum Thursday afternoon as his opponent, Lowell McGlothlin (left), listens. BILL LACKEY/PHOTOS/STAFF

the truth. She can't produce the documents. It is a false statement."

Grievances that reach arbitration can cost up to \$10,000, Kelly said, but many are resolved before any costs are incurred.

The exchange between law enforcement veterans wasn't the only contentious

part of the debate.

Republican Clark County Commission candidate Melanie Flax Witt questioned the record of her opponent, Democrat Roger Tackett, a former longtime commissioner.

"In 2010, his last year in office, unemployment was at 12.9 percent," Flax Witt

said. "Almost 13 percent of our county was unemployed. Since he's been gone, it is down to 4.7 percent unemployment today. We can't go back."

Flax Witt also said poverty levels were high during Tackett's time in office and Tackett voted to raise taxes six times.

Tackett said he worked hard as a commissioner and reminded the crowd of the Great Recession: the country faced at that time.

"I did not vote for a tax increase while I was a commissioner that was not voted on by each and every commissioner, so for her to try to blame me for all the taxes

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Melissa Tuttle  
GOP candidate for Clark  
County Clerk of Courts

is not really the truth or the reality," Tackett said.

Clark County Clerk of Courts Ron Vincent, a Democrat, didn't attend. His Republican opponent, Melissa Tuttle, said she would bring the clerk's office into the digital age.

"We need to secure our records and get them online," Tuttle said. "Last summer for three months the website was down. We can't operate with this system."

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## Medicare

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which administers the program. And premiums for Medicare Part D — prescription drug coverage sold separately by private insurers — are also expected to spike sharply in some plans.

With a wrinkled brow, Carl Schrand, a longtime Kettering resident and World War II veteran, said he may re-shop his coverage during the annual enrollment period to make sure he's getting the best deal.

"I'm happy with my Medicare plan, but I hadn't heard about these price increases," said the 96-year-old Schrand, who said he uses Medicare to supplement his VA health benefits. "There's always something new. You have to stay on top of things."

Health insurers providing Medicare coverage were required to notify members of any changes they're planning next year before the end of September. But research has shown many people don't read the "Notices of Change" carefully, often missing out on savings on their monthly premiums and out-of-pocket costs.

Miam Twp. resident, Rose Smith, 77, said she'll be helping her sister Betty Fischer navigate the Medicare maze when she turns 65 on Nov. 3. "When you first become eligible for Medicare, and you get all that information in the mail, most people don't read it thoroughly," Smith said. "I know I didn't. There are so many plan options to consider, and understanding the coverage can be confusing. But you need to learn these things so you don't end up paying more than you have to and get the plan that's best for you."

Smith said she's satisfied with her Medicare plan, so

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she won't have to do anything during open enrollment because she'll be automatically re-enrolled in her current coverage, which she described as a "Godsend" for holding down prescription drug costs for her and her husband.

"We take quite a few medications. We both take four medications in the morning and three at night for high blood pressure, hypertension, and other things. Our pharmacy bills used to be outrageous. But it's really gotten a lot less expensive that it used to be," she said. Smith is among those seniors who are continuing to see savings on out-of-pocket drug costs as the Affordable Care Act (ACA) closes the coverage gap in Medicare Part D drug plans known as the "doughnut hole."

"In which seniors pay 100 percent of their drug costs before meeting a certain deductible threshold. But the health care law is gradually lowering the share percentage seniors pay, and will eventually cut drug costs in the doughnut hole by 75 percent by 2020. Since the ACA's enactment, about 10.7 million seniors and people with disabilities have received discounts of over \$20.8 billion on prescription drugs, an average of \$1,945 per beneficiary, according to CMS."

But each plan is different, so it's important to shop around, according to Kevin

Coleman, head of research and data at HealthPocket.com, a health insurance cost-comparison website.

"You have to look at premiums, deductibles and other out-of-pocket costs, as well as any plan restrictions on drugs," he said, noting that some plans may not cover some high-cost specialty drugs for cancer patients and others.

Most Medicare members unhappy with their current coverage will have until the end of open enrollment on Dec. 7 to switch to a different plan, or sign up for alternative coverage to traditional Medicare, such as Medi-

care Advantage, which has become increasingly popular.

Medicare Advantage plans sold by private insurers are required to offer the same benefits as traditional Medicare Parts A and B, but also typically include added benefits, such as dental, vision, and hearing benefits that traditional Medicare doesn't cover.

Drug plans are also typically included in Medicare Advantage comprehensive coverage, which also caps out-of-pocket costs.

At least two Dayton-based companies — Premier Health Plan, a subsidiary of the Premier Health hospital system,

and CareSource — will offer Medicare Advantage in Ohio next year, bringing more plans with greater benefits to local Medicare consumers.

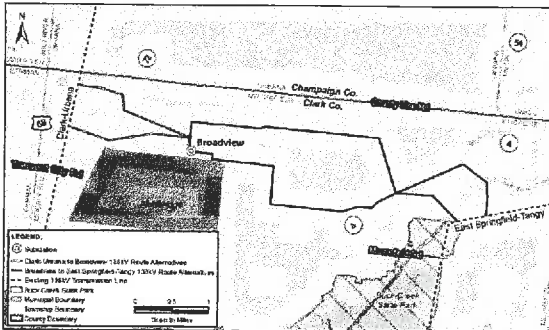
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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING FOR PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

American Transmission Systems, Incorporated (ATSI), a FirstEnergy company, will hold a public information meeting to discuss the proposed Springfield Area 138-kilovolt (KV) Reinforcement Project. The proposed Project will enhance electric service for Ohio Edison customers in the area, as well as reduce the risk of a regional outage, improve voltage stability, and allow for future load growth as new businesses and homes are built. At the meeting, FirstEnergy will discuss the Project and seek public input on a series of potential routes for new transmission lines. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 26th, 2016, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the gymnasium at the North Ridge Middle School, located at 4445 E. Ridgewood Road in Springfield, Ohio 45503.

The proposed Project consists of three components: 1) Expanding and converting an existing 69-kV substation in Moorefield Township into a 138-kV to 69-kV transformation substation; 2) connecting the nearby Clark-Urbana 138-kV transmission line to the expanded substation via an approximately two-mile transmission line loop; and 3) connecting the nearby East Springfield-Tangy 138-kV transmission line to the expanded substation via an approximately five and half mile transmission line loop. The transmission line loops will be primarily supported on single wood poles. ATSI has carefully studied the area of the Project to identify potentially sensitive areas and land uses, and has evaluated multiple potential routes for the transmission line loops to the substation. Based on this work, two potential routes for each transmission line are being evaluated in more detail to identify the routes that will have the fewest overall impacts given the location and need for the Project. The general locations of the transmission line loops that ATSI currently anticipates proposing to the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) for further consideration for the Project are shown on the map below.



Public comments from the meeting will be incorporated into ATSI's process of identifying a preferred and an alternate route for each of the transmission lines that are part of the Project. Each of the three components of this Project fall under the jurisdiction of the OPSB. Therefore, before construction can begin, ATSI must obtain from the OPSB a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need. ATSI plans to file three applications with the OPSB for the Project mid-January 2017. If OPSB approval is obtained, ATSI expects to begin construction in December 2017.

If you cannot attend the meeting, but wish to comment on the Project, please leave a message for the Project team at 1-800-589-2837, or send your written comments or questions to FirstEnergy Corp., Attention: Springfield Area 138 kV Reinforcement Project Team, A-GO-3, 76 South Main Street, Akron, Ohio, 44308.

### FIVE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT:

1. Open enrollment for the coming year runs from Saturday through Dec. 7.
2. In general, Medicare is available for people age 65 or older, younger people with disabilities and people with permanent kidney failure requiring dialysis or transplant.
3. Original Medicare has two parts, Part A hospital insurance, and Part B medical insurance. Most people are automatically enrolled in Part A when they turn 65 and have paid Medicare taxes for at least 10 years through work. Part A doesn't require premium payments. Part B requires beneficiaries to enroll and pay premiums for coverage, which are normally deducted from the recipient's Social Security benefits.
4. Because original Medicare doesn't cover prescription drugs, enrollees also need to purchase a separate plan under Medicare's Part D prescription drug coverage, which requires an additional monthly premium.
5. To switch Medicare plans or make changes, consumers can call their current plan provider or 1-800-MEDICARE. Generally, once people make their choices for 2017, they won't be able to make changes again until the open-enrollment period for 2018.

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