

THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONSTRUCTION
NOTICE FOR THE INLAND-HARDING 345
KILOVOLT TRANSMISSION LINE
STRUCTURE FILED BY AMERICAN
TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED.

CASE No. 17-1571-EL-BNR

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on December 7, 2017

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Ohio Power Siting Board dismisses this application at the request of the applicant, American Transmission Systems, Incorporated.

II. DISCUSSION

{¶ 2} American Transmission Systems, Incorporated (ATSI) is a person as defined in R.C. 4906.01.

{¶ 3} R.C. 4906.04 provides that no person shall construct a major utility facility in the state without obtaining a certificate for the facility from the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board).

{¶ 4} R.C. 4906.03 instructs the Board to adopt rules providing for an accelerated review of an application for a construction certificate under certain circumstances.

{¶ 5} The rules regarding an accelerated review of various applications were codified by the Board in Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 4906-6.

{¶ 6} On July 31, 2017, ATSI filed a construction notice application as Case No. 17-1571-EL-BNR (17-1571) to install one new steel monopole structure with a concrete foundation within the right-of-way of the existing Inland-Harding and Harding-Leroy Center 345 kilovolt (kV) transmission lines. Pursuant to R.C. 4906.03(F) and Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-03(C), a construction notice application is subject to a 90-day approval process unless otherwise ordered.

{¶ 7} On October 27, 2017, Board Staff filed a Report of Investigation recommending that the 17-1571 application does not meet the necessary criteria for granting a certificate.

{¶ 8} Pursuant to R.C. 4906.03(F) and Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-09, the Executive Director of the Board, on October 27, 2017, suspended the 17-1571 application. In accordance with R.C. 4906.03(F) and Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-09(C), the Board must act on the 17-1571 application within 90 days from the date that this application was suspended.

{¶ 9} On November 10, 2017, ATSI filed a request to withdraw the 17-1571 application prior to expiration of the suspension of the accelerated certificate application.

{¶ 10} The Board finds that ATSI's November 10, 2017 request to withdraw the 17-1571 application made the need for the Board to act within 90 days to approve, disapprove, or modify and approve the application pursuant to R.C. 4906.03(F) and Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-09 moot. Accordingly, the Board determines that ATSI's request to withdraw the 17-1571 application should be granted and this case should be dismissed and closed of record.

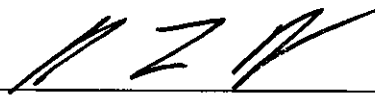
III. ORDER

{¶ 11} It is, therefore,

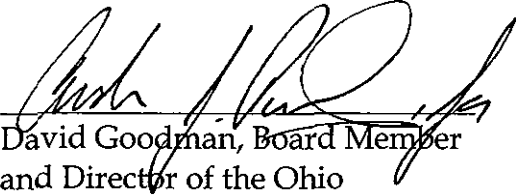
{¶ 12} ORDERED, That ATSI's 17-1571 application be dismissed and closed of record in accordance with Paragraph 10. It is, further,

{¶ 13} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all interested persons of record in this proceeding.

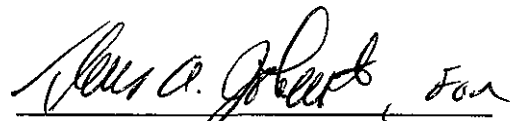
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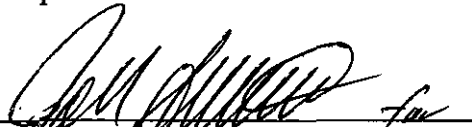
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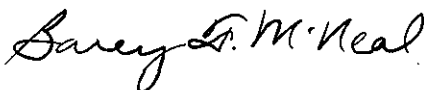


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