

BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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In the Matter of the :
Application of AEP Ohio :
Transmission Company, Inc. :
for a Certificate of : Case No. 18-0030-EL-BTX
Environmental Compatibility:
and Public Need for the :
Vigo-Pine Ridge Switch 138 :
kV Transmission Line :
Project. :
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PROCEEDINGS

Before Stacie Cathcart, Administrative Law Judge, at
the Northville Elementary School Gymnasium, 11507
Chillicothe Pike, Jackson, Ohio, called at 6:00 p.m.
on Wednesday, October 3rd, 2018.

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Wednesday Evening Session,
October 3rd, 2018.

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ALJ CATHCART: The Ohio Power Siting Board has assigned for public hearing at this time and place Case No. 1830-EL-BTX, which is captioned In The Matter of the Application of AEP Ohio Transmission Company for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Vigo-Pine Ridge Switch 138 Kilovolt Transmission Line Project.

My name is Stacie Cathcart, and I'm the Administrative Law Judge assigned by the Ohio Power Siting Board to preside over this hearing.

Also with me today is staff from the Ohio Power Siting Board, and we will be available if you have any questions after the hearing.

At this time I'm going to take formal appearances on behalf of the parties in this case. On behalf of the applicant.

MS. BLEND: Thank you, your Honor. Good evening. On behalf AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc., my name is Christen Blend with American Electric Power Service Corporation, 1 Riverside Plaza, 29th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

1 ALJ CATHCART: Thank you. The subject
2 matter of this evening's public hearing is the
3 application filed on March 29thth, 2018, to construct
4 a 138 kilovolt transmission line project in Ross and
5 Jackson Counties, Ohio.

6 This public hearing is only one aspect
7 of the process for this case. I would note that the
8 hearing for this proceeding is scheduled to take
9 place later this month at the offices of the Ohio
10 Power Siting Board, which is in Columbus, Ohio.

11 The purpose of this evening's public
12 hearing is to receive comments from the public
13 regarding AEP Ohio Transmission Company's application
14 in this case.

15 It is not intended to be a question and
16 answer session, but instead is your opportunity to
17 let the Board know what you think about the proposals
18 set forth in the application.

19 I would also note that the Board staff
20 filed its Report of Investigation on September 18th,
21 2018. This is simply a recommendation, and does not
22 necessarily reflect what the Board's final
23 determination will be in this case.

24 Tonight's case is being transcribed by a
25 Court Reporter. If you plan to testify, please speak

1 clearly so that the Court Reporter can accurately
2 reflect your comments on the record.

3 When you arrived you were offered the
4 opportunity to sign up to testify. I will begin
5 calling witnesses forward that have signed the
6 sign-up sheet, and ask you to come up and face the
7 court reporter.

8 Before you present your testimony I will
9 ask you to state your name and address, and your
10 testimony will be considered part of the official
11 record and will be reviewed by the Board.

12 Should you decide that you do not wish
13 to testify when I call your name, you can merely
14 pass.

15 The Board appreciates your participation
16 in tonight's hearing, and we want everyone who wishes
17 to make a public statement to have the opportunity to
18 do so. So please be considerate of others waiting to
19 give their testimony, and keep your statements to a
20 reasonable period of time.

21 At this time I don't have anyone signed
22 up to testify. Would anyone have interest in
23 testifying?

24 (No response.)

25 ALJ CATHCART: Let's go off the record

1 for ten minutes, give an opportunity to see if anyone
2 else shows up to the hearing to give them a chance to
3 testify just in case they are running late.

4 So let's take a break until 6:20, and
5 then we will go back on the record. Thank you.

6 (Recess taken.)

7 ALJ CATHCART: Let's go back on the
8 record. Does anyone wish to testify?

9 (No response.)

10 ALJ CATHCART: Seeing none, let the
11 record reflect that no one testified on the record.
12 I would like to thank everybody for coming here this
13 evening.

14 This will conclude this evening's public
15 hearing and it will be submitted on the record for
16 the Board's consideration. Thank you.

17 (Thereupon, the hearing was
18 adjourned at 6:25 p.m.)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing
is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings
taken by me in this matter on Wednesday, October 3rd,
2018, and carefully compared with my original
stenographic notes.

Valerie Grubaugh,
Registered Merit
Reporter and Notary Public
in and for the State of
Ohio.

My commission expires August 11, 2021.

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Summary: Transcript In the Matter of the Application of AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Vigo-Pine Ridge Switch 138 kV Transmission Line Project, hearing held on October 3rd, 2018. electronically filed by Mr. Ken Spencer on behalf of Armstrong & Okey, Inc. and Grubaugh, Valerie