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RE: Citizens Against Clear Cutting, et al. Complainants v. Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., Case No. 17-2344-EL-CSS

Dear Ms. McNeal:

It has come to our attention that the Direct Testimony of Kenneth Bryant on behalf of Complainants was inadvertently filed without page four. We are re-filing a complete copy of Mr. Bryant's original testimony.

Please do not hesitate to call me if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Kimberly W. Bojko

Complainants' Exhibit _____

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

Citizens Against Clear Cutting, et al.)	
Complainants,)	
v.		Case No. 17-2344-EL-CSS
Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.,)	
Respondent)	

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DIRECT TESTIMONY OF KENNETH BRYANT ON BEHALF OF COMPLAINANTS

October 26, 2018

1 Q. Please state your name.

2 A. My name is Kenneth Bryant.

3 Q. Please describe your educational background.

4 A. I graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from
5 the University of Kentucky in 1967. I have also completed 2 years of post6 graduate work in both engineering and personnel management.

7 Q. Please briefly describe your employment history.

A. After graduation, I worked for 35 years at General Electric Aircraft Engines
(GEAE) as an engineer and manager. At GEAE, I worked in the area of jet
engine design and development. After retiring from GEAE, I have served as an
elected Symmes Township Trustee in Hamilton County. I am currently the
President of the Symmes Township Board of Trustees.

13 Q. How did you become involved in this case?

14 A. As Symmes Township Trustees, my colleagues or I routinely hear about concerns 15 from residents of the township. During August of 2017, the Paul Meadows 16 Homeowner's Association (HOA) President approached me about Duke's plans 17 to clear cut trees and other vegetation on properties located in their neighborhood 18 in Symmes Township instead of applying their prior trimming and pruning 19 vegetation management practices. His HOA residents requested that I, as a 20 Symmes Township Trustee, invite Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.'s (Duke) 21 representatives to attend a meeting with their HOA to explain their new 22 vegetation management plans and why those plans were being changed.

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1 Q. Did you invite a Duke representative to the meeting?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Did anyone from Duke ultimately meet with the HOA?

A. No. Duke refused to meet with those residents in a group setting. After several
verbal and written back and forth communications, Duke's local Governmental
Liasion (Warren Walker) agreed to meet, but only with the HOA President and
me.

8 Q. What did you discuss with the Paulmeadows HOA President and Mr.
 9 Walker at this meeting?

11 Α. Mr. Walker told us of the extent of the planned vegetation management 12 program—that the project covered 15 miles in length and affected 1200 13 properties-and verified that their plan was to clear-cut the entire length and the 14 entire 100-foot right of way. Mr. Walker asked for the Township's assistance in 15 getting each of our affected residents to call the telephone number listed on the 16 "door-hanger" and arrange for individual meetings between those residents and 17 Duke. They reconfirmed that they would not meet in a group setting and stated 18 that they wished to negotiate individually because they could offer different 19 options to different property owners. Mr. Walker also told me that he did not 20 believe that Symmes Township had standing to be involved in this matter.

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Q. What was your impression of this meeting?

A. My impression both during and after the meeting was that Mr. Walker was
attempting to persuade me (or use me) to help Duke further its plans for tree
removal on the properties of Symmes Township residents.

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0. How did you proceed at this point?

2 Α. Before determining whether and to what extent the Township would become 3 involved in this matter, I needed to educate myself on the activities occurring and 4 the extent of the alleged damage claimed by the residents.

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6 I began by identifying the neighborhoods that would be affected by Duke's 7 proposed practices. After doing this, I attempted to determine which of these 8 neighborhoods had been alerted of the upcoming vegetation management activity 9 by door hangers from Duke. During this process, I also realized that the 10 Township owned a property, located at 11468 Blong Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 11 45249.

13 I also drove around the areas surrounding the Township to see how properties 14 were being affected by Duke's practices and the implementation of its vegetation 15 management plan. Specifically, I wanted to see what Duke's vegetation 16 management activities looked like in practice and what impact those activities 17 were having on affected properties. This would allow me to determine what 18 would likely happen on properties of our residents when and if Duke implemented 19 similar policies in Symmes Township.

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0. What did you learn from your review of what Duke had done and what they 21 were proposing to do in your Township? 22

I saw that Duke was taking extremely drastic steps under the name of vegetation 23 Α. 24 management. I saw properties in Deerfield Township, as well as neighboring 25 counties and townships, that were completely decimated by Duke's vegetation

management activities. Attachment A to my testimony are two photographs I
took from Dr. Randall Fick's property of an area across the street in Butler
County that show the before and after effects of Duke's policies. Attachment B to
my testimony are photographs that I took of residential properties in Warren
County that show that Duke had inflicted the same desolation on the properties of
its customers as it did on the open field across from Dr. Fick's property.

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How did seeing the results of Duke's vegetation management activities impact the Township's decision with regard to its involvement in this matter?

After seeing the clear cutting along the transmission lines and what Duke's 11 Α. 12 changed policies and practices were doing or about to do to the community, we 13 decided to take a more active role in the issue to protect the residents of Symmes 14 Township, as well as the property owned by Symmes Township. As 15 representatives of Symmes Township residents and owners of property within 16 Duke's easement that may be affected by Duke's planned vegetation management 17 policies and practices along the transmission lines at issue in this case, the Board 18 of Trustees determined that it was appropriate to become involved in this case. 19 We decided to help alert all Symmes neighborhoods as to what was coming and to 20 help our residents become better informed. We saw our role as leaders 21 advocating on behalf of our residents, helping facilitate meetings, helping 22 educate, communicate, coordinate, and network with surrounding communities and elected representatives of the residents. We would continue to either work 23 24 with Duke to achieve a reasonable agreement or, if Duke refused to do so, 25 participate in litigation.

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Q. What steps did you take at this point?

A. First, I found out about a scheduled neighborhood meeting being held in the
adjacent community of Montgomery on Duke's vegetation management practices
and I asked permission of the host to attend. I needed to gather additional
information regarding what Duke had communicated with them with regard to
their vegetation management plan for the same transmission lines. I attended this
meeting to learn more about what Duke was doing and how we could support our
residents.

9 Q. What was your next step?

A. I wanted to make sure that every neighborhood in Symmes Township and the
 surrounding areas were represented and informed. As such, I sought out a point
 person who could take the lead on behalf of each neighborhood and communicate
 back to the other property owners. These people helped to get the word out about
 Duke's vegetation management plans and any neighborhood meetings.

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Which neighborhoods were represented?

A. We had point people in the Paulmeadows, Symmes Gate Condos, Pemmican Run,
Terwilligers Run, Windsong Pass, Hopewoods and Hopewell Hills
neighborhoods. We also identified other areas, but were unable to find a point
person to represent the residents of those areas.

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What occurred next?

A. Several of the point people from the various neighborhoods wanted to host a
larger, open neighborhood meeting to discuss Duke's decision to remove all trees
and other vegetation within a 100-foot path under the existing overhead

transmission lines that run through Butler County, Deerfield Township (Warren
 County), Montgomery and, the center of Symmes Township. The meeting was
 intended to gather additional information, identify the various (and often
 contradictory) statements made in one-on-one discussions between Duke's
 representatives and the property owners, and educate any other area residents
 attending.

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Q. When did this meeting occur?

A. On October 12, 2017 at the Symmes Township Safety Center. The Township
compiled information from our residents and other sources and created a power
point presentation to share with the attendees. The power point is attached as
Attachment C.

12 Q. How many residents attended the meeting?

13 A. About 80 residents attended the meeting.

14 Q. What information was covered at the meeting?

15 Α. The attendees discussed Duke's proposed vegetation management practices, how 16 those practices are different from past practices of trimming and pruning, and how 17 those practices would affect residents in our Township. We provided residents 18 with basic information regarding the transmission lines, explaining that as many 19 as 14 neighborhoods through Butler County, Deerfield Township (Warren 20 County), Symmes Township, as well as the City of Montgomery, would be 21 affected by Duke's decision to clear cut its 100-foot easement. We also explained 22 that Duke modified its vegetation management plan, presumably to allow it to 23 change its practices and policies to include clear cutting and herbicide treatments.

We discussed actions Duke had already taken in neighboring communities and townships and how those actions would impact all neighborhoods under the transmission lines. Finally, we talked about what steps we could take to work with Duke or otherwise object to the clear cutting and herbicidal treatments.

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Since the Complaint was filed in this case, have you remained involved in the case in your capacity as a Symmes Township Trustee?

8 Yes. Given that Duke's clear cutting and removal of trees will directly affect A. 9 Symmes Township residents and may affect the Symmes Township property as 10 Duke conducts additional vegetation management along its transmission circuits, 11 Symmes Township decided to join the Second Amended Complaint as a named Complainant. On March 8, 2018, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 12 13 (PUCO) approved Symmes Township's participation in this case. I was deposed 14 in this case on behalf of Symmes Township and have continued to assert the 15 Township's interests in this matter. I have also reached out to elected 16 representatives of our residents and neighboring communities regarding Duke's 17 vegetation management practices and how its revised policies will affect 18 communities now and in the future, including Ohio State Senator Steve Wilson.

Q. What, if anything, has resulted from your efforts to reach out to other communities and elected officials?

A. Many people I have talked to have expressed similar shock and disgust at the
 brazen vegetation management practices Duke is employing. In fact, Senator
 Wilson even filed a letter with the PUCO expressing his concerns with Duke's
 proposed action and supporting his constituents in this case. Senator Wilson's
 letter is attached to my testimony as Attachment D.

- 1 I have also received communications from representatives of Deerfield Township 2 supporting Symmes Township and its efforts in this case. A copy of this 3 communication is attached to my testimony as Attachment E. 4 **Q**. You mentioned that Symmes Township has property along Duke's 5 transmission wires. What is the address of this property? 6 7 11468 Blong Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45249. Photographs showing the property's A. 8 location in relation to one of Duke's transmission towers and its transmission 9 lines are attached to my testimony as Attachment F. 10 Q. As far as you know, is Duke planning on engaging in the removal of trees or other vegetation or otherwise conduct vegetation management activities on 11 12 the Township's property? 13 Α. Duke has represented that it will not conduct vegetation management on this 14 property at this time even though it is under the transmission wires. However, 15 from reviewing what has occurred in previous Townships prior to Symmes 16 Township's involvement and from looking at the documents that have been filed 17 at the PUCO, I believe that it is reasonable to expect that at some point Duke will 18 conduct similar vegetation management on the Township's property, especially 19 because the property is situated near a transmission tower. 20 Q. How long have you been a Township Trustee? 21 Α. Over 12 ½ years. I was first elected by the community in 2005 and was re-elected 22 in 2009, 2013, and 2017. 23 Q. Have Duke's transmission lines run over Symmes Township since you began 24 your time as a Township Trustee? 25 Α. Yes, and they were there long before my time as Trustee as well. I have been a 26 resident of Symmes Township for 28 years.
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Q. Has Duke conducted vegetation management near its transmission lines during your time as a Trustee?

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A. Of course. I have seen crews trimming and pruning trees and doing other forms
of vegetation management near the transmission lines for decades. As a Duke
customer, I certainly appreciate the need to do that to maintain safe and reliable
service.

Q. Were these practices in the past the same as the practices Duke is engaging in now?

A. No. To my knowledge, Duke never removed trees and other vegetation on this
scale before. Duke has not clear cut its 100-foot easement in the past in a manner
that would create what is equivalent to an eight-lane highway running through the
Township, through people's front and back yards. If you look at the trees along
these transmission lines, the trees and other vegetation are mature. To me, this
appears to be a completely new approach to vegetation management by Duke.

16 Q. Have you received complaints from Township residents about Duke's

vegetation management in the past?

A. No, not that I can recall. From my many years of representing the Township as
their Trustee, I can say that transmission lines run through the Township so our
residents should expect trimming and pruning to occur, but they do not expect a
practice of clear cutting all vegetation within Duke's 100-foot easement. It is this
new, unreasonable practice that has caused the residents to be so upset and why
we have received the number of complaints that we have today.

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1 2 3	Q.	During the time you have been a Trustee or resided in the Township, have you noticed any issues with the safety or reliability of electric service to residents of Symmes Township?
4	А.	No. This has not been an issue in the past as far as I have experienced, and no
5		residents have alerted me to concerns. In fact, Symmes Township was hit with an
6		F4 tornado that caused significant damage and fatalities in 1999, but even then,
7		there were not any issues that I can recall with regard to trees or other vegetation
8		and the transmission lines.
9 10 11	Q.	Is Symmes Township concerned at all about the safety and reliability of the delivery of electric power to its residents?
11	А.	Absolutely. We would not be doing our job if we were not concerned with this
13		issue on behalf of our residents. Obviously, one of our main goals is to keep all
14		of our residents safe, and we certainly do not want residents or the Township's
15		facilities, such as our police and fire departments, to be without reliable electric
16		power.
17 18 19	Q.	If the Township is concerned about safety and reliability of electric service to its residents, why is the Township opposing Duke's vegetation management efforts?
20	А.	The Township is opposing mass clear cutting of Duke's 100-foot easement
21		because the Township believes that Duke is acting unreasonably and in a manner
22		that is not consistent with its provision of safe and reliable electric service. We do
23		not feel that the practices and policies that Duke is engaging in are necessary.
24		Although we asked for Duke to come and meet with the Board of Trustees and
25		Symmes Township residents to explain why these drastic measures are necessary
26		to ensure safety and reliability, Duke declined. Duke has failed to provide us with
27		information or otherwise demonstrate the reasonableness and necessity of its

actions or its proposed modified vegetation management plan, practices, and
 policies. Given that we have not had issues with safety and reliability in the past,
 the Township is skeptical of the claim that Duke could not achieve the same goals
 by continuing their less-intrusive prior practices of trimming and pruning.

5 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

6 A. Yes it does.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing testimony

was served on October 26, 2018 by electronic mail upon the parties listed below.

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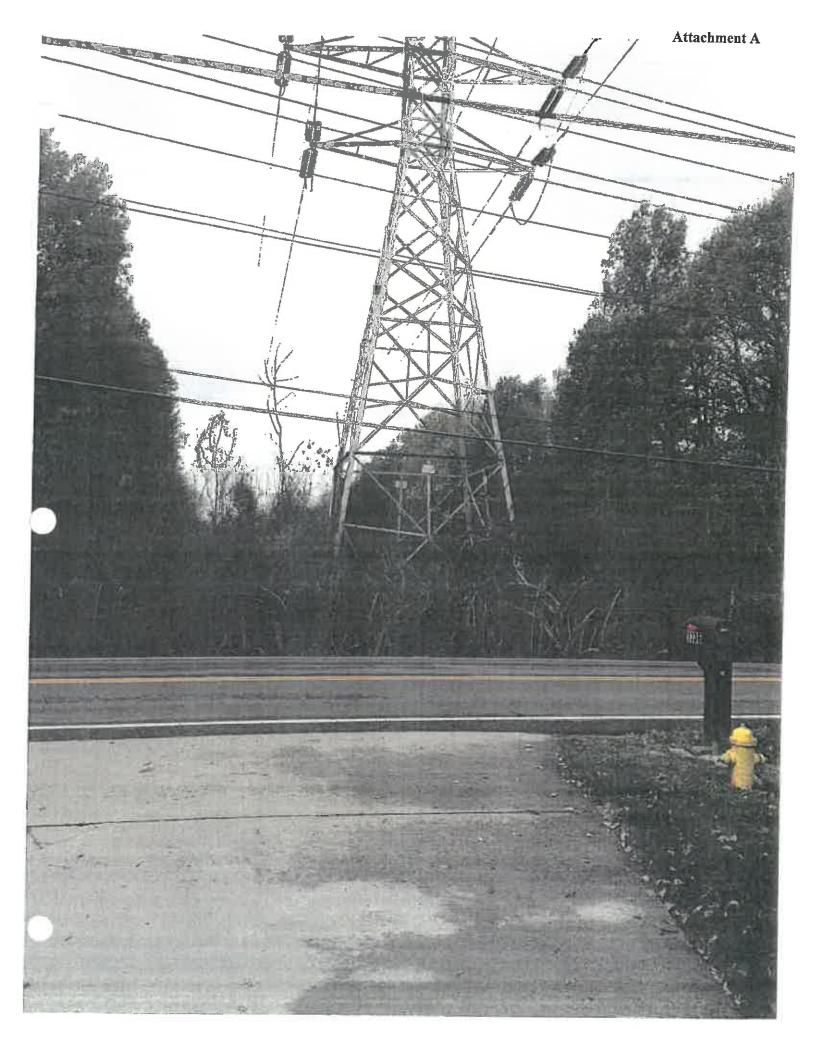
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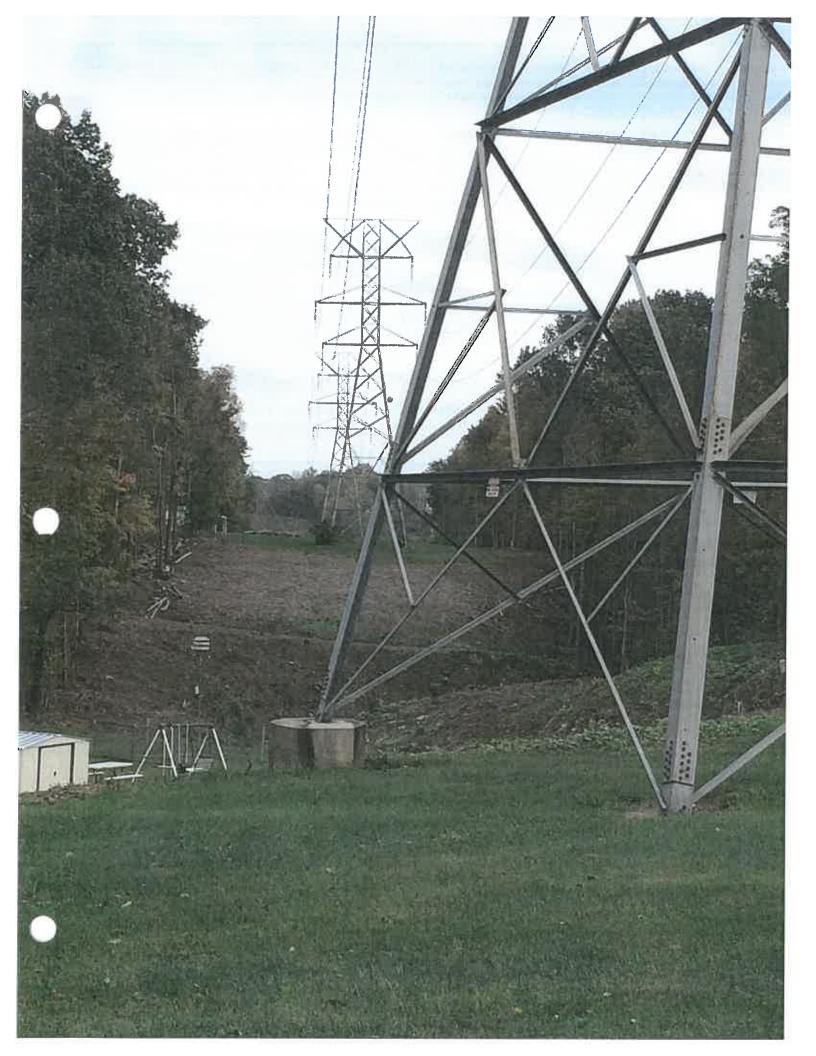
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Duke Energy Power Line Meeting October 12, 2017

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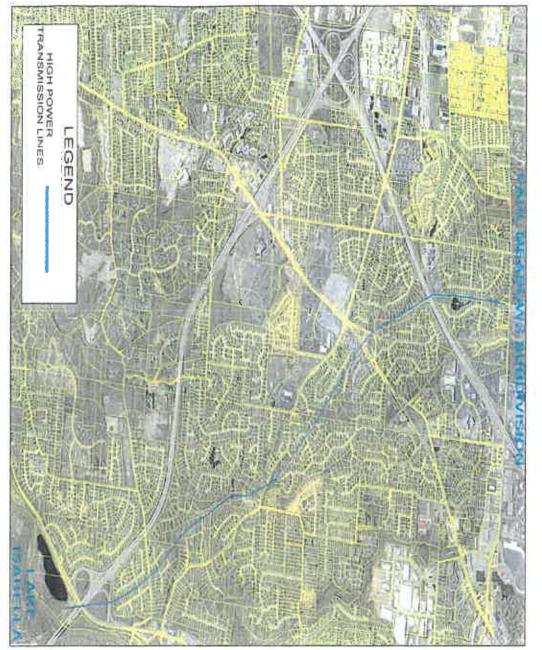
Symmes Township. Symmes Township Trustees welcome you to our Safety Center to an existing overhead transmission lines that run through the center of discuss the proposed removal of all trees within a 100 ft. wide path of

- East, Kemper Woods, Symmes Gate Condos, Glenbridge Manor Condos, These power lines cut through several areas: PaulMeadows , Fransbet Tanagerwoods and Bainwoods Subdivisions Pemmican Run, Terwilligers Run, Cobblestone, Windsong Pass,
- The power lines also affect neighborhoods in West Chester Twp. in Clermont County and the City of Montgomery. Butler County, Deerfield Twp. in Warren County, Miami Twp. in



Location of Overhead Transmission Lines:

- sub-station, Beckjord Power Station and ends in West Chester at the Port Union mile system that begins in Clermont County on the Ohio River at the The power lines located in Symmes Township are part of a larger 15
- The power line transits Clermont, Hamilton, Warren and Butler Counties
- of Montgomery that are directly affected. There are 14 neighborhoods through Symmes Township and the City
- and 31 condos that lie within the path of the power lines. There are a total of 180 single family homes, 3 apartment buildings,







What does Duke plan to do underneath the wire/border zone?

- door hanger even though you may be affected. in yellow on the map). We understand that not everyone has received a hanging notices to selected homeowners in the affected areas (outlined Duke has hired Integrity Tree Service to cut trees and they have been
- any future growth. zone which varies in width and spray an unknown herbicide to prohibit Duke Energy plans to clear cut every tree/brush underneath the wire
- wire zone and border zone are 100 feet wide together. tree is over the 15' then they plan to clear cut those trees as well. The They also have identified other trees and bushes outside the wire zone (border zone) which can be no taller than 15' in height at maturity. If the
- stumps for certain individuals have fences to access the wire zone area and only have agreed to grind They have also been negotiating with residents to install gates if they
- No other structures, lighting, other accessory uses or buildings are permitted to be located in these zones.



language of the rules governing how they maintain vegetation, Duke has also submitted an application to the PUCO to change

- vegetation in their easement. change the language of the rules that govern how they maintain Duke applied to the PUCO in April of 2016 requesting permission to
- That application has yet to be heard or approved by PUCO.
- remove all branches and/or trees within 10 of the wires. The contractor has to obtain approval from the owner prior to cutting/trimming. The current language reads that they will trim every 4 to 6 years and
- within the wire zone and remove everything else over 15' tall in the border zone without any approvals The new language requested states that they will clear cut everything
- paragraph F Overhead Electric Line Vegetation Management. It is highlighted in red on the handout. The case number is 16-915-EL-ESS. They have requested to change
- reporting to everyone. No federal laws have changed even thought that is what Duke is



Symmes Township/Montgomery Neighborhoods Affected:

Neighborhoods	Number of Homes	Number of Homes
	Affected	Adjateciat
PaulMeadows	35	40
Fransbet East	12	10
Calumet Farms	2	10
Symmes Gate Condos	31	11 in Kemperwoods
Glenbridge Manor	3 buildings	20 other buildings
Apartments		
Pemmican Run	27	31
Terwilligers Run	32	38
Hightowar	00	10
Cobblestone	7	12
Tanagerwoods	ω	26
Windsong	7	ω
Bainwoods	47	41

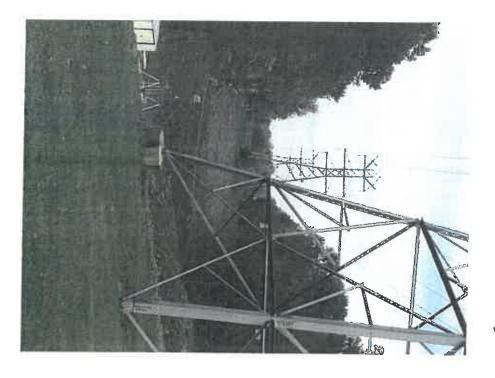


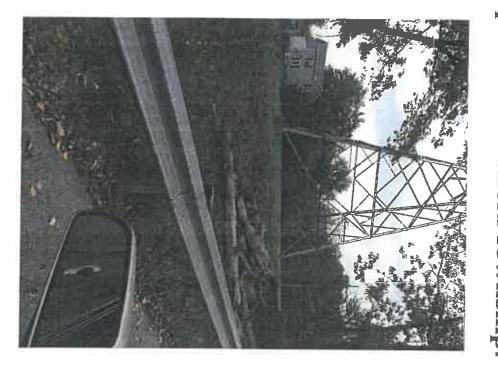
What does the Easement Language that Cincinnati Gas & Electric obtained in 1951 exactly say?

- "Together with the right to cut, trim or remove any trees, overhanging dirt, material and equipment on the surface during periods of construction engineers may endanger the safety of or interfere with the above described ROW and easement width in the opinion of the grantee's described property for the purpose of exercising the rights herein granted." and maintenance, and the right of ingress and egress over the above construction, operation or maintenance of said system, the right to pile branches or other obstructions both within and without the limits of the
- crops, buildings and fences, caused by its employees, agents licensees, or "Said company, its successors and assigns, shall pay all damages to growing trucks in exercising the rights herein granted."



Clearing that has already taken place in Deerfield Township:







What are the minimums we are all willing to accept from Duke Energy?

- Continue to trim as they have done in the past in that 4 to 6 year cycle.
- Eliminate spraying unknown herbicides on our trees and ground cover.
- cutting or trimming. Obtain permission/approval from the property owners prior to any



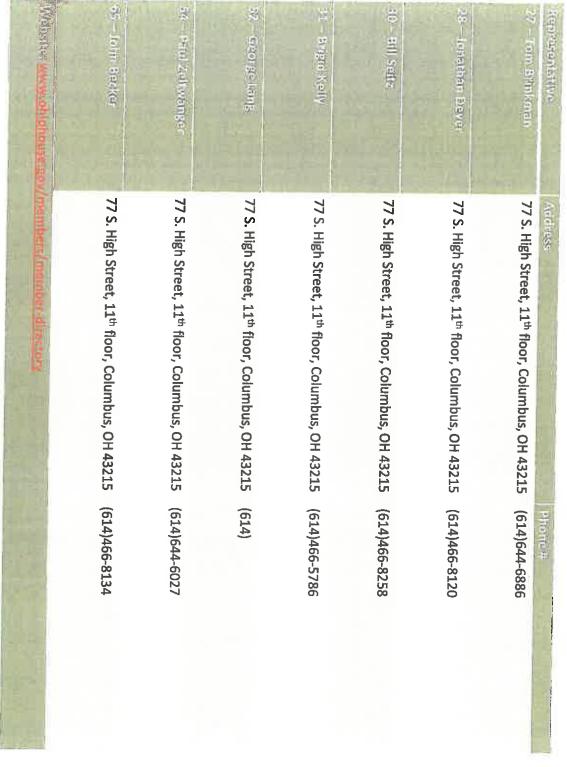
Pathways for Action:

- Establish an organization.
- actions. Prepare a petition to elected officials asking them to support our
- File a complaint with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.
- Energy. Hire an attorney and potentially file a lawsuit against Duke



map for: What we are asking the residents in the areas identified on the

- contacts, government, etc. to volunteer time and effort Expertise in law, marketing, graphics, community organizing, high level
- donations from affected property owners. If there is a consensus to hire an attorney, we need commitments for
- everyone's property values in the neighborhood and surrounding areas. clear cut the trees. Tell them you are concerned that it will affect to understand the easement and why Duke Energy feels that they must Call the PUCO and tell them you want an investigator sent to your house 686-7826 The more people who call, the more investigators are assigned. 1-800-



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April 17, 2018

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad St. Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Chairman Haque:

I write today to express my support for the complainants in Case No. 17-2344-EL-CSS.

Indeed, electric line vegetation management is important for providing, maintaining and improving safe and reliable electric service by limiting contact between vegetation and power lines. However, excess clearing may result in unintended consequences including – but not limited to – decreased property values, damage to mature trees, and possible contamination of nearby waterways and vegetation due to the application of herbicides.

Duke Energy's vegetation management guidelines prior to the requested changes in 16-0915-EL-ESS appear to be satisfactory for the assurance of safe and reliable electric service for the residents of southwest Ohio. Therefore, at this time, I express my support for Case No. 17-2344-EL-CSS.

I appreciate your consideration of this submission consistent with all applicable laws and regulations that govern this matter.

Sincerely,

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Steve Wilson State Senator Ohio's 7th Senate District



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Township Trustees Symmes Township, Hamilton County 9323 Union Cemetery Road Symmes Township, OH 45140

Re: Citizens Against Clear Cutting v. Duke Energy Ohio

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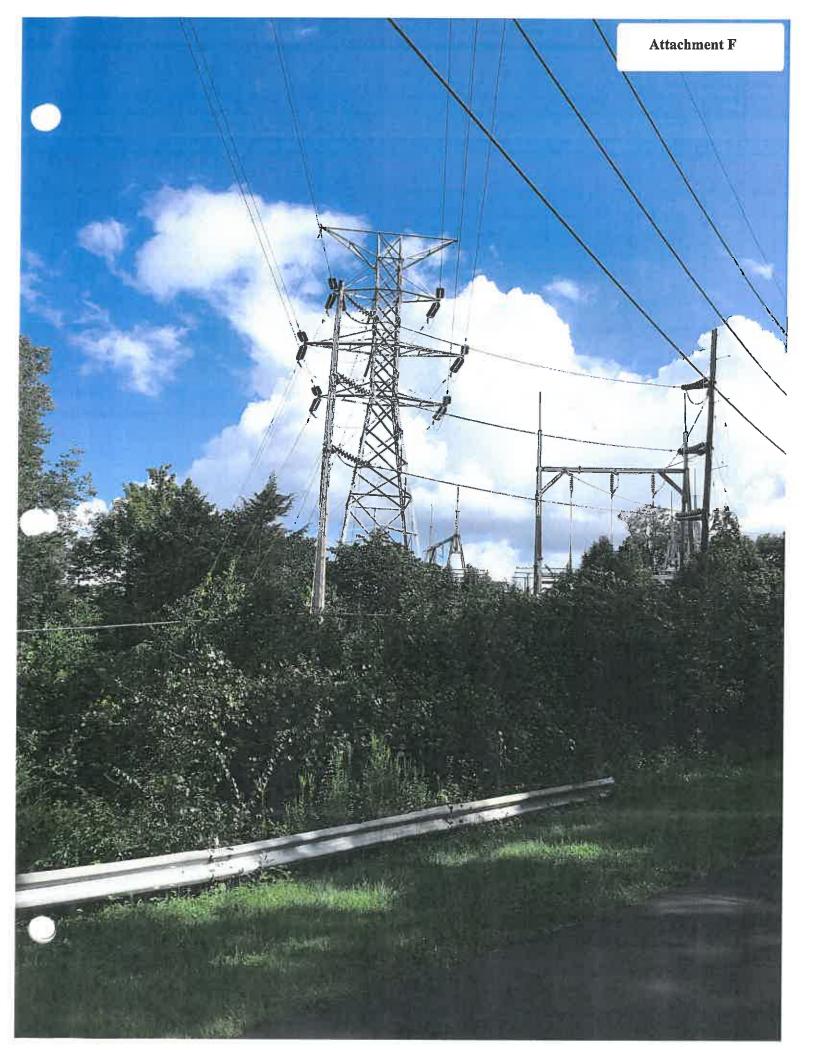
We are writing on behalf of Deerfield Township to voice our support of Symmes Township and Citizens Against Clear Cutting in your efforts to end Duke Energy's policy of clear cutting in its power line easements.

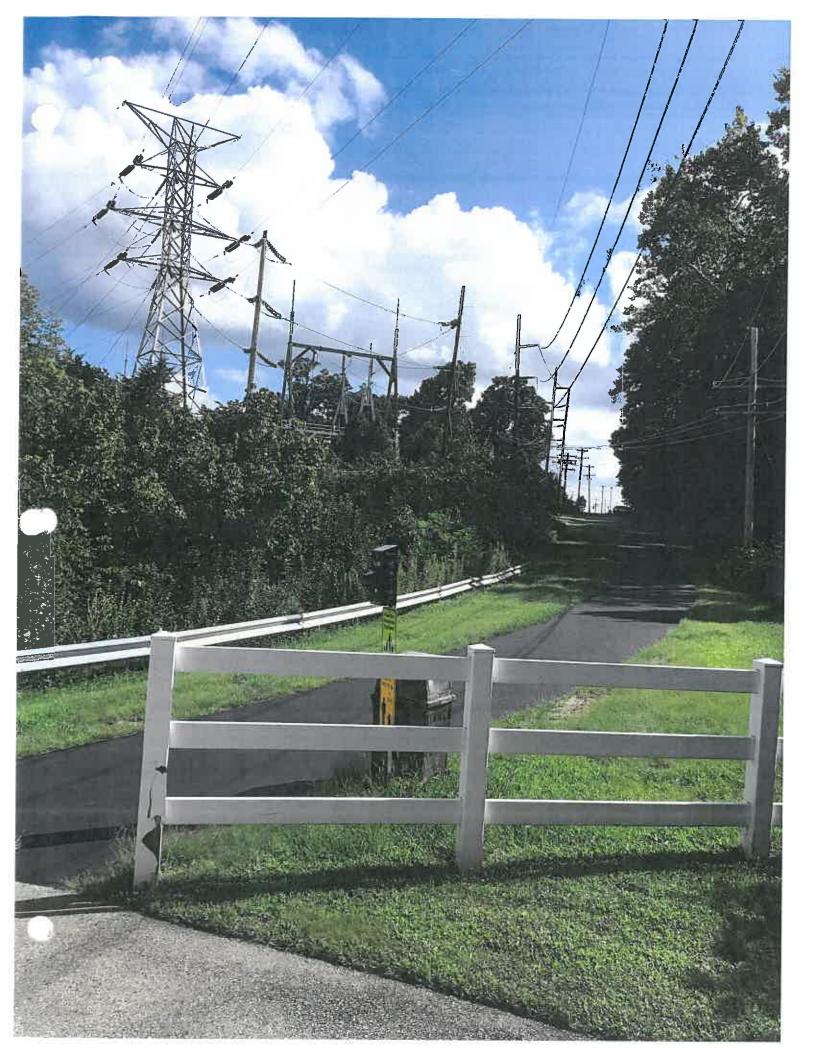
Like Symmes Township, Deerfield Township would like to see Duke Energy return to its previous policy of trimming trees in power line easements on a case-by-case basis, and only with the approval of the property owner. To this end, we are sending letters to Ohio Senator Steve Wilson and Representative Paul Zeltwanger urging them to take a stance in support of this cause. We are also sending a letter to the PUCO, itself, stating our support for CACC in this matter.

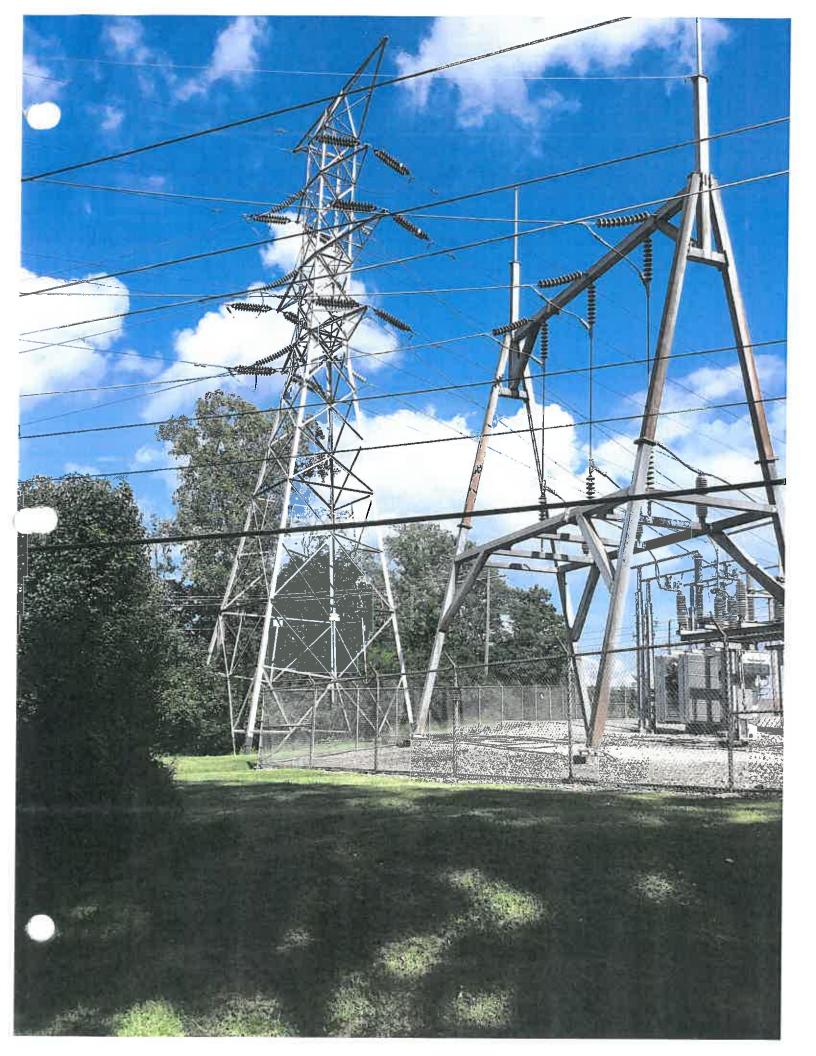
Decrfield Township has seen the consequences of Duke Energy's new clear cutting policy first-hand. Our residents have been extremely disappointed with the effect this practice has had on our township's landscape. It is our hope that CACC will be successful in its present legal dispute and no other communities will have to suffer a similar fate.

Best regards,

Lelle Hedding, Kristin Malhotra, Lonnie Vestal Township Trustees Deerfield Township, Warren County, Ohio







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