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Ms. Barcy F. McNeal,  
Docketing Division  
The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215-3793

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**Amendment to the East Springfield 138 kV Loop to Broadview Substation Project  
Start of Construction Notification  
Case No. 18-0594-EL-BTA**

Dear Ms. McNeal,

Subsequent to the issuance of the original Opinion and Order in Case No. 16-1982-EL-BTX, ATSI filed an Amendment in Case No. 18-0594-EL-BTA, proposing three adjustments to the OPSB Approved Route to accommodate property owner requests. On August 16, 2018, the OPSB's Staff issued their Staff Report of Investigation for the Amendment, Case No. 18-0594-EL-BTA. The Staff Report recommended two conditions, first that the OPSB require ATSI to continue to adhere to all conditions of the Opinion, Order, and Certificate in Case No. 16-1982-EL-BTX, and second that ATSI conduct a separate preconstruction conference to address specific measures that are applicable to potential construction impacts associated with the amendments at least 30 days prior to the start of construction associated with one of the proposed adjustments (Adjustment Three). The Amendment was approved by the OPSB for construction on November 15, 2018, at the OPSB meeting.

Therefore, please take note that in accordance with the OPSB's Certificate, and OPSB Staff's recommendations in its Report of Investigation, a preconstruction conference with OPSB Staff was held on December 13, 2018. Based on the discussion with the OPSB Staff during the meeting, ATSI understands that all required documentation has been submitted to the OPSB's Staff for construction of the project, as approved in Case No. 18-0594-EL-BTA.

Please be advised that construction on this Project, including Adjustment Three, is expected to begin on approximately January 7, 2019. ATSI will notify the OPSB once the Project has been completed and placed in service.

If you have any questions regarding this project, please contact me at (330) 761-4473.

Sincerely,

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