

THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONSTRUCTION
NOTICE APPLICATION OF AEP OHIO
TRANSMISSION COMPANY, INC. FOR A
CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL
COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED FOR
THE DEVOLA-GORSUCH 138 kV
TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT.

CASE NO. 18-1799-EL-BNR

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on May 24, 2019

{¶ 1} AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. (AEP Ohio Transco or Applicant) is a person as defined in R.C. 4906.01.

{¶ 2} 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).

{¶ 3} AEP Ohio Transco filed an accelerated certificate application with the Board regarding its intent to construct a 0.12-mile new, single-circuit 138 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line between the planned Devola Substation and a tap location along the existing Devola-Riverview 138 kV transmission line in Muskingum Township, Washington County, Ohio.

{¶ 4} On May 21, 2019, as supplemented on May 24, 2019, Board Staff (Staff) filed a motion seeking a waiver of certain timing requirements of Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-06(B) and 4906-6-10(A) in order for Staff to file its written report of investigation immediately following approval of its motion. Staff also requested an expedited ruling on its motion for waiver, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4906-2-27(C), and stated that no party opposes the waiver. In support of its motion for waiver of certain timing requirements, Staff avers that it must conduct an investigation and submit a report of its review as it relates to R.C. 4906.10 for a full development of the record in this case.

{¶ 5} The administrative law judge (ALJ) finds that Staff has demonstrated good cause for granting a waiver of Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-06(B) and 4906-6-10(A) under these circumstances. Moreover, as no party objects to Staff's motion, an expedited ruling will be issued.

{¶ 6} It is, therefore,

{¶ 7} ORDERED, That, in accordance with Paragraph 5, Staff's motion for a waiver of certain timing requirements and the request for an expedited ruling are granted. It is, further,

{¶ 8} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties and interested persons of record.

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/s/ Jeffrey R. Jones

By: Jeffrey R. Jones
Administrative Law Judge

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Summary: Administrative Law Judge Entry granting Staff's motion for a waiver and request for expedited ruling electronically filed by Heather A Chilcote on behalf of Jeffrey R. Jones, Administrative Law Judge, Ohio Power Siting Board