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The Honorable Sam
Randazzo, Chairman
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**RE: Notification of State Historic Preservation Office Concurrence for PUCO
Case No. 20-0788-EL-BLN
Guernsey 765 kV Transmission Line Extension Project**

Dear Chairman Randazzo:

AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. submits this notice to inform you that the State Historic Preservation Office (“SHPO”) has concurred with the Company’s findings that the Project, as proposed, will have no effect on historic properties and no further coordination with SHPO is required. Attached is the SHPO concurrence letter.

If you have questions regarding this information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Tanner S. Wolfram
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In reply, refer to
2020-GUE-47738

July 6, 2020

Mr. Ryan J. Weller
Weller & Associates, Inc.
1395 West Fifth Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43212

RE: Kammer-Vassell 765kV Transmission Line Extension Project, Valley Township, Guernsey County, Ohio

Dear Mr. Weller:

This letter is in response to the correspondence received on July 1, 2020 regarding the proposed Kammer-Vassell 765kV Transmission Line Extension Project, Valley Township, Guernsey County, Ohio. We appreciate the opportunity to comment on this project. The comments of the Ohio State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) are made pursuant to Section 149.53 of the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Power Siting Board rules for siting this project (OAC 4906-5). The comments of the Ohio SHPO are also submitted in accordance with the provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (54 U.S.C. 306108 [36 CFR 800]).

The following comments pertain to the *Phase II Archaeological Assessment of Sites 33GU0292 and 33GU0294 within the Proposed 66.7 ha (165 ac) Kammer-Vassell 765kV Transmission Line Extension Project in Valley Township in Valley Township, Guernsey County, Ohio* by Weller & Associates, Inc. (2020).

A literature review, visual inspection, intensive geophysical, magnetometry, close-interval shovel testing, and 1-x-1m test units was completed as part of the investigations. Ohio Archaeological Inventory (OAI) #33GU0292 and 33GU0294 were recommended not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Due to the small investigation area and impact of the proposed project, our office remains undecided on the potential eligibility of OAI#33GU0292 and 33GU0294. However, it is our office's opinion the proposed project will have no effect on these sites. OAI#33GU0293 was avoided by the proposed project and did not undergo Phase II investigation.

Based on the information provided, we agree that the project as proposed will have no effect on historic properties. No further coordination with this office is necessary, unless the project changes or unless new or additional historic properties are discovered during implementation of this project. In such a situation, this office should be contacted. If you have any questions, please contact me at (614) 298-2022. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Krista Horrocks".

Krista Horrocks, Project Reviews Manager
Resource Protection and Review

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