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Ms. Tanowa Troupe Ohio Power Siting Board, Docketing Division The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215-3793

## PRE-APPLICATION NOTIFICATION LETTER Defiance SW (Richland) 138 kV Transmission Line Switch Replacement Project Case No. 20-1600-EL-BNR

Dear Ms. Troupe:

In accordance with Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") Rule 4906-6-03(A) and OAC Chapter 4906-6 generally, this letter will serve as the pre-application notice letter of applicant American Transmission Systems, Incorporated ("ATSI"), a FirstEnergy company, for the above referenced Project. ATSI expects to file a Construction Notice application with the Ohio Power Siting Board shortly.

In this Project, ATSI proposes to replace a switch located east of the proposed ODOT roundabout (for which OPSB approval is being sought in Case No. 20-1436-EL-BNR) at the intersection of Cleveland Avenue and Ottawa Avenue in Defiance, Ohio. The switch will be moved one structure to the west, which will have to be taller to account for larger phase spacing. Because of the switch structure's greater height, the next structure west of it will also have to be replaced with a taller structure in order to prevent an abrupt spike in the conductor elevation and to prevent further structural modifications. This project will be located in the City of Defiance, Defiance Township, and Defiance County, Ohio.

Construction on this Project is expected to begin as early as January 25, 2021 and be completed by March 1, 2020.

Sincerely,

Scott M. Humphrys

Transmission Siting Supervisor

Energy Delivery Transmission and Substation Design

FirstEnergy Service Company

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