THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE LETTER OF NOTIFICATION APPLICATION FILED BY AEP OHIO TRANSMISSION COMPANY INC. FOR THE TIDD-SUNNYSIDE 138 KV TRANSMISSION LINE REBUILD PROJECT.

CASE NO. 21-554-EL-BLN

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on September 16, 2021

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Ohio Power Siting Board dismisses this matter at the request of the applicant, AEP Ohio Transmission Company Inc.

II. DISCUSSION

- \P **2** AEP Ohio Transmission Company Inc. (AEP Ohio Transco or Company) is a person as defined in R.C. 4906.01.
- {¶ 3} 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).
- {¶ 4} R.C. 4906.03(F) instructs the Board to adopt rules that provide for an accelerated review and automatic certification of an electric transmission line and associated facilities under certain circumstances. In accordance with R.C. 4906.03(F), the Board has adopted Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 4906-6 addressing accelerated and expedited accelerated certificate applications.
- {¶ 5} Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-02 identifies the types of accelerated applications as either letter of notification or construction notice applications. Accelerated applications are subject to a 90-day automatic approval process.
- {¶ 6} On May 27, 2021, AEP Ohio Transco filed a pre-application notification letter advising the Board that the Company would be seeking approval to rebuild and upgrade a

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29-mile portion of the existing Tidd-Sunnyside 138 kilovolt (kV) transmission line, between the existing Gable Station and the existing Carrollton Station in Carroll, Harrison, and Jefferson counties, Ohio.

- {¶ 7} By letter docketed on August 30, 2021, AEP Ohio Transco sought permission to withdraw this matter without prejudice so that the Company could provide additional information related to the project, in addition to referencing information previously filed which remains unchanged, in a new docket.
- {¶ 8} The Board finds that AEP Ohio Transco's request to close Case No. 21-554-EL-BLN should be granted and this case should be dismissed and closed of record.

III. ORDER

- $\{\P 9\}$ It is, therefore,
- \P 10} ORDERED, That Case No. 21-554-EL-BLN be dismissed and closed of record. It is, further,

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{¶ 11} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon AEP Ohio Transco and all interested persons of record.

BOARD MEMBERS:

Approving:

Jenifer French, Chair Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Matt McClellan, Designee for Lydia Mihalik, Director Ohio Development Services Agency

Brittney Colvin, Designee for Mary Mertz, Director Ohio Department of Natural Resources

W. Gene Phillips, Designee for Bruce T. Vanderhoff, M.D., Director Ohio Department of Health

Sarah Huffman, Designee for Dorothy Pelanda, Director Ohio Department of Agriculture

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Summary: Entry dismissing this matter at the request of the applicant, AEP Ohio Transmission Company Inc. electronically filed by Ms. Mary E. Fischer on behalf of Ohio Power Siting Board