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Ms. Tanowa Troupe, Secretary Ohio Power Siting Board 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Hector Garcia Senior Counsel – Regulatory Services (614) 716-3410 (P) hgarcia1@aep.com

RE: In the Matter of the Construction Notice Application of Ohio Power Company for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Hartman Farms 138 kV Extension No. 5 and No 6 Project Case No. 21-1057-EL-BNR

Dear Ms. Troupe:

On October 28, 2021, Ohio Power Company (the "Company") filed its Construction Notice Application for the above-referenced Project. On November 30, 2021, the Ohio State Historic Preservation Office ("SHPO") issues its correspondence letter for the Project.

The Company hereby files this notice to inform you that SHPO agrees that the Project, as proposed, will have no adverse effect on historic properties and that no further cultural resources work or coordination with SHPO is necessary unless the Project changes. A copy of the letter is attached hereto.

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

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Hector Garcia

Hector Garcia (0084517), Counsel of Record Counsel for AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.

cc: John Jones, Counsel OPSB Staff Jon Pawley, OPSB Staff



In reply, refer to 2021-FRA-52995

RPR Serial No: 1090704-1090705

November 30, 2021

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

RE: Hartman Farms 138kV Extension No. 5 and No. 6 Project, Hamilton Township (City of Columbus), Franklin County, Ohio

Dear Mr. Weller:

This letter is in response to the correspondence received November 1, 2021 regarding the proposed Hartman Farms 138kV Extension No. 5 and No. 6 Project, Hamilton Township (City of Columbus), Franklin 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 I Archaeological Investigations for the Approximately .19 km (.3 mi) Hartman Farms 138kV Extension No. 5 and No. 6 Project in Hamilton Township (City of Columbus), Franklin County, Ohio* by Ryan J. Weller (Weller & Associates, Inc., 2021).

A literature review, visual inspection, surface collection, shovel probe and shovel test unit excavation was completed as part of the investigations. No previously identified archaeological sites are located within the project area and no new archaeological sites were identified. Our office agrees no further archaeological survey is necessary.

The following comments pertain to the *History/Architecture Investigations for the Approximately .19 km (.3 mi) Hartman Farms 138kV Extension No. 5 and No. 6 Project in Hamilton Township (City of Columbus), Franklin County, Ohio* by Austin White (Weller & Associates, Inc., 2021).

A literature review and field survey were completed as part of the investigations. A total of 3 extant resources fifty years of age or older were identified within the Area of Potential Effects. The Hartman Stock Farm Historic District (HSFHD, Ref. 74001492) is included in the 3 extant resources.

It is Weller's recommendation that the newly identified properties are not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Our office agrees with Weller's recommendations of eligibility.

While the project area is located within the Hartman Stock Farm Historic District boundaries, there are no contributing resources or components of the district within the project area. Therefore, our office concurs that the work as proposed should have no adverse effect on historic properties.

Based on the information provided, we agree that the project as proposed will have no adverse 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, or by e-mail at khorrocks@ohiohistory.org, or Joy Williams at jwilliams@ohiohistory.org. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Krista Horrocks, Project Reviews Manager Resource Protection and Review

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