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**RE: Pre-Application Notification Letter
In the matter of the application of for a Certificate of
Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for
the Althea-Sweetgum 138 kV Transmission Line Project
PUCO Case No. 22-0857-EL-BTX**

Dear Ms. Troupe

AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. (the “Company”) files this pre-application notification letter in accordance with Rule 4906-3-03 Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.). According to this provision, a prospective applicant must hold a public informational meeting and provide this notice to the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB). Specifically, 4906-3-03 O.A.C. requires:

(1) A basic description of the project that shall include information about the anticipated function, equipment size, approximate aerial extent, general location, and purpose of the project.

The Althea-Sweetgum 138 kV Transmission Line Project (the “Project”) plans to improve the reliability of the electric transmission grid in Scioto County by updating aging infrastructure to improve its condition and address performance issues and upgrading the equipment to meet the load in the area.

The project will be approximately 3.5 miles long, beginning at the company's Sweet Gum Substation off U.S. Route 52 in Wheelersburg and travels south to the Althea Substation off U.S. Route 52 in Wheelersburg.

The Company anticipates building the new transmission line using steel single pole and H-frame structures, and estimates that the Project will cost approximately \$10 million.

The new transmission line will have the following major equipment:

- Steel single pole and H-frame structures
- Conductor
- Shield Wire
- Associated Hardware

The Company expects to file the application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Althea-Sweetgum 138 kV Transmission Line Project with the state of Ohio Power Siting Board in November 2022.

(2) The date, time, and location of the public informational meeting to be held pursuant to paragraph (B) of this rule.

The Company plans to hold the Public Information Meeting on Thursday, October 13th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Wheelersburg Elementary and Middle School located at 800 Pirate, Wheelersburg, OH 45694. If there is any change to the meeting date, time, or place, the OPSB Staff will be notified.

(3) A list of any anticipated waivers of the board's rules that the applicant will be requesting for the project.

At this time, the Company does not anticipate filing any waivers.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Hector Garcia

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