BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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In the Matter of the Letter of Notification of AEP Ohio Transmission Company Inc. for the Hedding Road Switch and West Mount Vernon-North Waldo 138 kV Relocation Project.

Case No. 23-0570-EL-BLN

MOTION FOR WAIVER

Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4906-2-01(B), the Ohio Power Siting Board Staff (Staff) respectfully requests that The Ohio Power Siting Board (Board) grant a partial waiver of Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-10(A). Specifically, Staff requests a waiver of the requirement that the requested automatic approval date be no sooner than seven calendar days after the filing of Staff's written report of investigation.

Grounds for this motion are more particularly set forth in the accompanying Memorandum in Support.

Respectfully submitted,

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AEP Ohio Transmission Company Inc. filed its Letter of Notification application on June 1, 2023. Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-03(B), the application would be automatically approved on August 30, 2023.

Staff filed its written report of investigation (Staff Report) on August 25, 2023 in this matter. Under Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-10(A), Staff "shall recommend an automatic approval date for an accelerated application" that is "no sooner than seven calendar days after the filing of the written report." Additionally, Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-06(B) provides that the "recommended automatic approval date be no sooner than seven calendar days after the filing of the written report *** and no later than ninety days after the filing date of the application.

The only other party in this proceeding, Ohio Power Company, does not oppose this motion. Therefore, Staff respectfully requests that the Board partially waive Ohio Adm.Code 4906-6-06(B) and 4906-6-10(A) and permit the filing of the Staff Report on this date, August 25, 2023.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the Motion for

Waiver has been served upon the below-named counsel via electronic mail, this 28th day

of August, 2023.

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