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BEFORE

THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

In the Matter of Numerous Applications of)
Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Il-)
luminating Company, and The Toledo Edi-) Case Nos. 86-1265-EL-BTX
son Company for Certificates of Environ-) 86-1266-EL-BTX
mental Compatibility and Public Need for) 86-1268-EL-BTX
Electric Transmission Lines and Facilities.) 86-1269-EL-BTX
) 86-1270-EL-BTX
) 86-1276-EL-BTX
) 86-1282-EL-BTX
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) 96-168-EL-BTX
) 97-1404-EL-BSB

In the Matter of the Application of Ohio)
Edison Company, The Cleveland Illumi-) Case No. 00-1793-EL-BTX
nating Company, and The Toledo Edison)
Company to Transfer all Their Electric)
Transmission Line Certificates of Environ-)
mental Compatibility and Public Need to)
American Transmission Systems, Inc.)

ENTRY

The Ohio Power Siting Board finds:

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- (1) Between March 1976 and 1998, the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board) granted a number of transmission line certificates of environmental compatibility and public need to Ohio Edison Company (OE), The Toledo Edison Company (TE), and The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (CEI). All three of those companies are now operating subsidiaries of FirstEnergy Corp.
- (2) On October 27, 1999, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approved FirstEnergy operating companies' application to transfer their transmission assets to another subsidiary, American Transmission Systems, Inc. (ATSI). *FirstEnergy Corp. Operating Companies/American Transmission Systems, Inc.*, Docket No. EC99-53-000.

On February 17, 2000, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission) approved the proposed transfer of the transmission assets of the FirstEnergy operating companies to ATSI. *In the Matter of the Application of the FirstEnergy Operating Companies For Approval of the Transfer of Their Transmission Assets to American Transmission Systems, Inc.*, Case No. 98-1633-EL-UNC, Finding and Order (February 17, 2000). The Commission noted that the FERC's earlier decision had contemplated that the Commission would opine which assets would be designated as distribution facilities versus transmission facilities. The Commission concluded that the "distribution facilities versus transmission facilities" analysis would be best addressed in the then-pending transition plan cases of the operating companies. Therefore, the Commission concluded that the proposed transfer was approved, but subject to the Commission's ultimate identification of facilities involved. *Id.*

In July 2000, the Commission issued a decision in the transition plan cases of the operating companies. *In the Matter of the Application of FirstEnergy Corp. on Behalf of Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, and The Toledo Edison Company for Approval of Their Transition Plans and for Authorization to Collect Transition Revenues*, Cases Nos. 99-1212-EL-ETP, et al. (July 19, 2000). Among the many conclusions reached in those cases, the Commission decided that the proposed classification of transmission facilities was appropriate. *Id.* at 56-58.

- (3) On October 2, 2000, the operating companies requested, pursuant to Section 4906.04, Revised Code, that all electric transmission line certificates granted to the operating companies be transferred to ATSI. The operating companies noted the FERC and Commission decisions mentioned above and, additionally, stated that the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission and Securities Exchange Commission have likewise approved of the transfer of ownership of the transmission facilities to ATSI. Thus, at the present time, all major transmission facilities certified by the Board are owned by ATSI. The operating companies then listed the certificates (and amendments) that they seek to have transferred to ATSI.¹ The operating companies further noted that the transfer is intended to be an intermediate and facilitating step in a later transfer of transmission assets (and their operation) to a regional transmission organization. ATSI acknowledged its obligation to comply with all of the conditions of the newly acquired certificates.
- (4) No one filed a response to the certificate transfer request.
- (5) Pursuant to Section 4906.04, Revised Code, certificates may be transferred when the new owner agrees to comply with the terms, conditions, and modifications contained therein. Based upon the foregoing, the Board concludes that the following certificates of environmental compatibility and public need previously granted to the operating companies for the construction and operation of electric transmission facilities (and associated transmission facilities) should be transferred to ATSI. ATSI shall be bound by and comply with all terms and conditions of these certificates. The certificates that we authorize to be transferred are:

Case Numbers	Recipient	Certificate Date(s) ²	Facility Involved
86-1265-EL-BTX (formerly 02-00001)	CEI	3/29/76 and 7/24/76	345 kV Perry-Macedonia-Inland Line
86-1266-EL-BTX (formerly 02-00002)	CEI	6/8/76	345 kV Inland-Harding Line

¹ The operating companies also noted that the list may not be exhaustive. They request that all certificates for electric transmission facilities (and associated certificates) be transferred to ATSI.

² Multiple dates appear, in most cases, when amendments to the initial certificate are granted.

Case Numbers	Recipient	Certificate Date(s)	Facility Involved
86-1268-EL-BTX (formerly 02-00004)	OE	8/29/77, 4/28/80, 9/22/80, and 6/28/82	138 kV Star-West Akron Line
86-1269-EL-BTX (formerly 02-00005)	OE	6/23/78, 12/31/79, and 10/27/80	138 kV Masury- Greenville line
86-1270-EL-BTX (formerly 02-00006)	OE	4/12/78, 9/14/78, 5/27/81, 11/3/81, and 11/5/82	Loops to Carlisle Substation and Johnson-Lorain East Loop to Carlisle Substation
86-1276-EL-BTX (formerly 02-000012)	OE	6/25/79	Darrow-Hanna Loop to Brady Substation
86-1282-EL-BTX (formerly 02-000018)	CEI	6/7/78	132kV Emily Supply Line
86-1302-EL-BTX (formerly 02-000038)	OE	3/13/81	Lincoln Park- Masury Tap to Valley Mould and Iron Co.
86-1304-EL-BTX (formerly 02-000040)	OE	10/6/81 and 6/26/89	Aetna-West Akron Relocation (West Akron to Botzum Junction)
86-1306-EL-BTX (formerly 02-000042)	OE	12/30/81	Masury-Salt Springs Tap to Hunt Energy
86-1314-EL-BTX (formerly 02-000050)	OE	12/31/85	345 kV Tangy Loop
86-2275-EL-BTX	OE	12/14/87	Central-Packard to Cortland 138 kV Line
88-1092-EL-BTX	CEI	10/29/90	Inland-Lake Shore Underground 138 kV Line
89-1118-EL-BTX	OE	2/5/92	Chamberlin 345- 138 kV Project
89-1887-EL-BTX	CEI	4/30/90 and 6/25/90	Nottingham 138 kV Switching Substation

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91-1229-EL-BTX	OE	9/20/93	Crissinger-Tangy 138 kV Line
92-320-EL-BTX	OE	8/31/92	Crissinger-Tangy (Delaware Airport) Relocation
92-1232-EL-BTX	DP&L/OE	1/25/93 and 9/20/93	Richwood-Blue Jacket 138 kV Line
92-1945-EL-BTX	DP&L/OE	6/28/93	Clark-Urbana 138 kV Line
94-1212-EL-BTX	OE	12/19/94	Crissinger-Tangy (Substation) Amendment
94-1213-EL-BTX	OE	9/26/94	Crissinger-Tangy (Tawa Road) Amendment
94-1214-EL-BTX	OE	12/19/94	Crissinger-Tangy (Brindle Road) Amendment
94-1215-EL-BTX	OE	12/19/94	Crissinger-Tangy (Smart Road) Amendment
94-1779-EL-BTX	OE	3/6/95	Crissinger-Tangy (Smokey Road) Amendment
95-527-EL-BTX	TE	10/2/95	North Star Steel 345 kV Line
95-599-EL-BTX	CEI	11/4/96	Pawnee 138 kV Line
95-600-EL-BTX	CEI	3/24/97	Rachel 138 kV Line
96-168-EL-BTX	OE	10/7/96	Cardington 138 kV Line
97-1404-EL-BSB	TE	4/27/98	Midway Substation Expansion

It is, therefore,

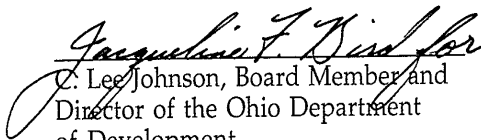
ORDERED, That the listed certificates of environmental compatibility and public need previously granted to OE, TE, and CEI for the construction and operation of numerous electric transmission facilities (and associated transmission facilities) shall be transferred to ATSI. It is, further,


ORDERED, That, as a result of these transfers, ATSI shall be bound by and comply with all terms and conditions of these certificates. It is, further,

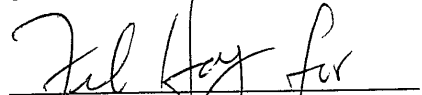
ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry should be served upon OE, TE, and CEI, ATSI, and all interested persons of record in each of these cases.

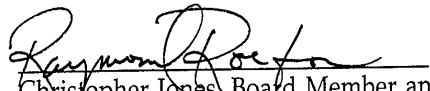
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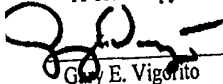

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