AEP Ohio Transmission Company Inc., (AEP Ohio Transco), an affiliate of AEP Ohio, proposes to upgrade a 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line in Springfield Township in Ross County. The project is known as the Ginger Switch Emergency Repair and Upgrade Project.

The purpose of the project is to improve the reliability of the electric transmission grid in southern Ohio. The Ginger Switch Emergency Repair and Upgrade Project involves upgrading about a half-mile of 138 kV transmission line. The line will be built within a 100-foot right-of-way corridor. AEP Ohio Transco will upgrade the line by using primarily single pole, steel structures. Construction is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2018.

AEP Ohio filed a Letter of Notification with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB), under Case No. 18-0156-EL-BLN. This number should be included in all communications related to this project. The Letter of Notification to construct, operate and maintain this facility is pending before the OPSB.

Petitions to intervene in the Letter of Notification will be accepted by the OPSB up to 10 days following the publication date of this notice required by Rule 4906-2-12, Ohio Administrative Code. Petitions should be addressed to Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 and must cite Case No. 18-0156-EL-BLN.

The accompanying map depicts the project area. It should be noted that due to the reduced scale and limited detail, this map should be used only as a general guide. Copies of the actual Letter of Notification, including specific details about the location and construction are available for public inspection at the following locations:

Chillicothe & Ross County Public Library, 140 S. Paint Street, Chillicothe, Ohio 45601
Chillicothe & Ross County Public Library – Richmond Dale Branch, 770 Main Street, Richmond Dale, Ohio 45673
Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793, 1-866-270-6772, contactopsb@puc.state.oh.us

Electronic versions of the Letter of Notification can be found at http://www.aeptransmission.com/ohio/ and at the Ohio Power Siting Board website at http://opsb.ohio.gov. Search under current cases for case number Case No. 18-0156-EL-BLN.

The following local city and county government officials have been served with a copy of the application as required by state of Ohio Power Siting Board regulations:

Ross County Board of Commissioners, Mr. Doug Corcoran
Ross County Soil & Water Conservation District, Mr. Mark Ault
Springfield Township Trustee, Mr. Carmi Jones IV
Springfield Township Fiscal Officer, Ms. Carol Schrader
Mr. Bruce Arnold, City of Chillicothe

If you are a local city or county government official and would like an electronic or hard copy of the Letter of Notification, please contact Erin Miller at the information listed below.

To ask a question or make a comment about the project, please call 614-552-1929 or 1-877-215-9261 or send an email inquiry to ecmiller1@aep.com. Mail inquiries may be sent to the following address:

AEP Ohio
Attention: Erin Miller
700 Morrison Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230