

NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

AEP Ohio Transmission Company (AEP Ohio Transco) proposes to improve the transmission system in south central Ohio by upgrading an existing 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line in Harrison, Walnut and Circleville townships in Pickaway County.

The purpose of the Harrison-Circleville 138-kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project is to rebuild an existing 138-kV transmission line within existing right of way. The total length of the Harrison-Circleville transmission line is approximately 15 miles. AEP Ohio Transco will rebuild the single circuit transmission line to double circuit using primarily 138-kV monopole structures. This project will be an approximate \$42 million investment by AEP Ohio Transco. Construction is anticipated to begin in March 2016.

The project is known as the Harrison Circleville 138-kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project. As required by Ohio Revised Code Section 4906-11-01, AEP Ohio Transco has filed a Letter of Notification with the Ohio Power Siting Board, under Case No. 15-0682-EL-BLN. This number should be included in all communications with respect to this project.

This project meets the requirements for a Letter of Notification because it is within the types of projects defined by Items (4) (a) of Attachment A of the interim process defined in the Ohio Power Siting Board's Sept. 4, 2012, Finding and Order in Docket 12-1981-GE-BRO. This states that a project qualifies for a Letter of Notification if the project is:

(4) Replacing electric power transmission structure(s) with a different type of structure(s) or adding structure(s) within an existing electric power transmission line and:

(a) Two miles or less of new right of way is required.

Petitions to intervene in or comment on the Letter of Notification will be accepted by the siting board up to 10 days following the publication date of this notice required by Rule 4906-5-08(C)(1), OAC. Petitions should be addressed to Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793 and must cite Case No. 15-0682-EL-BLN.

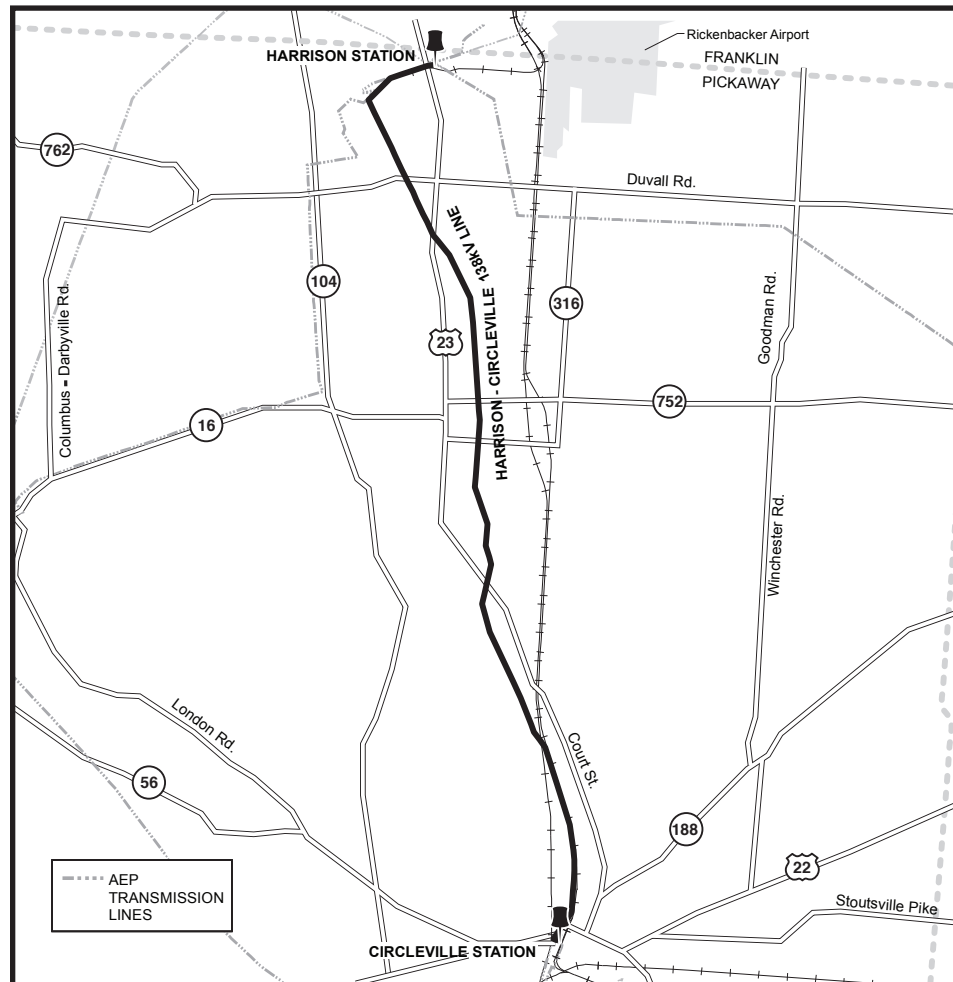
The accompanying map depicts the project area. It should be noted that due to the reduced scale and limited detail, this map should be used only as a general guide. Copies of the actual Letter of Notification, including specific details about the location and construction are available for public inspection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

Pickaway County District Library

Mr. Jim Guenther, Director
1160 North Court Street
Circleville, Ohio 43113
740-477-1644

Ohio Power Siting Board

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio, 43215-3793
614-466-3292



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. 15-0682-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:

Pickaway County Board of Commissioners

Mr. Brian Stewart, Commissioner
Mr. Jay Wippel, Commissioner
Mr. Harold Henson, Commissioner
139 West Franklin Street
Circleville, Ohio 43113

Pickaway County Engineer

Mr. Sterlin C. Mullins
121 West Franklin Street
Circleville, Ohio 43113

Pickaway County Office of Planning

Mr. Terry Frazier, Director
124 West Franklin Street
Circleville, Ohio 43113

Department of Public Services and Planning

Mr. John Ankrom, Director
104 East Franklin Street
Circleville, Ohio 43113

Harrison Township Trustee

Mr. Keith Peters
800 Long Street, Apt 212
Ashville, Ohio 43103

Harrison Township Trustee

Mr. Doug Clark
35 Circleville Avenue
Ashville, Ohio 43103

Harrison Township Trustee

Mr. Paul Welsh
565 Dowling Avenue
Ashville, Ohio 43103

Harrison Township Fiscal Officer

Ms. Mary Ann Elliott
11780 Circleville Avenue
Ashville, Ohio 43103

Walnut Township Trustee

Mr. Roger Cook
6394 Bell Station Road
Circleville, Ohio 43113

Walnut Township Trustee

Mr. Wilson Ett
5171 South Bloomfield Royalton Road
Ashville, Ohio 43103

Walnut Township Trustee

Mr. Warren Spangler
17100 Cromley Road
Ashville, Ohio 43103

Walnut Township Fiscal Officer

Ms. Carol Ramsay
8514 South Bloomfield Royalton Road
Ashville, Ohio 43103

Circleville Township Board of Trustees

Mr. Dale E Bower, Trustee
Mr. Ernest G. Martin, Trustee
Mr. Bob Kuhlwein, Trustee
Mr. Jeffrey R. Palm, Fiscal Officer
2015 Chippewa Drive
Circleville, Ohio 43113

Mayor Don McIlroy

City of Circleville
130 South Court Street
Circleville, Ohio 43113

Circleville City Council

Mr. David M. Crawford, President
431 North Court Street
Circleville, Ohio 43113

The following state agencies have been served with copies of the application:

- Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
- Ohio Department of Agriculture
- Ohio Department of Development
- Ohio Department of Health

- Ohio Department of Natural Resources
- Ohio Department of Transportation
- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
- Ohio Historical Society

CRITERIA USED TO REVIEW THE APPLICATION

The following eight criteria are set forth in Section 4906.10 (A) of the Revised Code and will be used, along with additional information, by the board in reviewing the application for a certificate to construct, operate and maintain the Harrison-Circleville 138-kV transmission line:

- The basis of need for the facility;
- The nature of the probable environmental impact of the proposed facility;
- The facility represents the minimum adverse environmental impact, considering the state of available technology, the nature and economics of alternatives and other pertinent considerations;
- In the case of electric transmission lines, that the facility is consistent with regional plans for expansion of the electric power grid of the electric systems serving Ohio and interconnected systems, and that the facility will serve the interests of electric system economy and reliability;

- The facility will comply with chapters 3704, 3734 and 6111 of the Revised Code and all rules and standards adopted under sections 1501.33, 1501.34 and 4561.32 of the Revised Code. In determining whether the facility will comply with all rules and standards adopted under Section 4561.34 of the Revised Code, the board shall consult with the office of aviation of the division of multi-modal planning and programs of the Department of Transportation under Section 4361.341 of the Revised Code;

- The facility will serve the public interest, convenience and necessity;

- The facility's impact on the viability as agricultural land of any land in an existing agricultural district established under Chapter 929 of the Revised Code that is located within the site of the proposed major utility facility; and

- The facility incorporates maximum feasible water conservation practices as determined by the board considering available technology and the nature and economics of various alternatives.

The complete Letter of Notification and this public notice are available at <http://www.aeptransmission.com/ohio/>.

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

AEP Ohio
Attention: Brett Schmied
700 Morrison Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230



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