

OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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Governor Bob Taft and Members of the Ohio General Assembly:

During 2003, the Ohio Power Siting Board continued to provide support for a sound energy policy and a strong future for Ohio.

Several recently certificated generation plants have been completed, allowing 2,890 megawatts of new electric generation to become commercially available. These facilities are supporting and enhancing Ohio's electric system. Additionally, the board continues to facilitate approval of transmission projects that will help assure the supply and reliability of electricity and natural gas in Ohio. The board scrutinizes proposed facilities and, if appropriate, sites them as fairly and expeditiously as possible.

When evaluating potential projects, the board is actively involved in the protection of sensitive land uses and Ohio's economic interests. Citizen participation in the siting process remains high, and the board has persisted in keeping interested stakeholders involved.

We look forward to your continued support in meeting the challenges of this changing energy and regulatory world. Together with you, as members of the Ohio General Assembly, the utility industry, and the public at large, we strive to build a strong and competitive foundation for our future.

Very truly yours,



Alan R. Schriber, Chairman

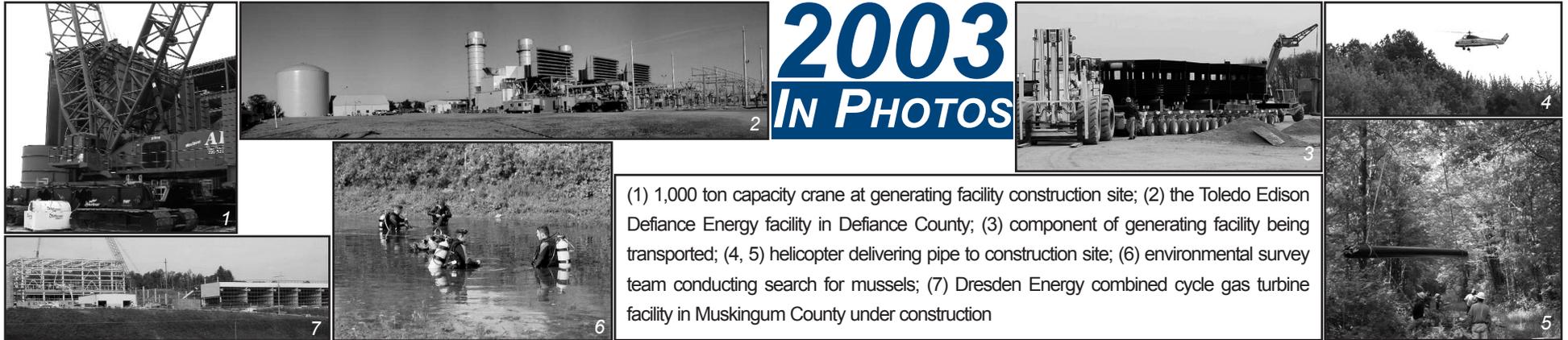


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The Ohio Power Siting Board's mission is to support sound energy policies that provide for the installation of energy capacity and transmission infrastructure for the benefit of Ohio citizens, promoting the state's economic interests, and protecting the environment and land use.

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YEAR AT A GLANCE

In 2003, the board approved two certificate amendments. The board also processed seven letters of notification and 13 construction notices.

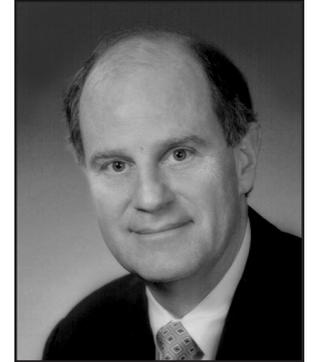
Construction was completed on several recently certificated electric generation plants, providing an additional 2,890 megawatts (MW) of power to the regional electric market. These new facilities utilize combustion turbine generators, which are designed to primarily operate on natural gas. These facilities also employ advanced combustion technologies to minimize air emissions.

Due to a change in financial markets, several companies have either modified their construction schedules or cancelled the construction of proposed generating facilities. The board continues to scrutinize proposed facilities, generation and transmission, and act upon them fairly and expeditiously as possible.

Citizen participation is always important in siting projects. The board's staff strives to keep interested citizens informed about the siting process. Also, staff experts have diligently worked with local, state and federal agencies to protect sensitive land uses, as well as Ohio's economic interests.

Comprehensive reviews of projects under construction and projects undergoing restoration continue. When necessary, staff enlists technical aid and cooperation from various agencies to assess and evaluate construction methodologies and effective restoration techniques.

Finally, the board's staff continues to closely monitor the regulatory restructuring process.



ALAN R. SCHRIBER

*Chairman
OPSB and Public Utilities Commission of Ohio*

Dr. Alan R. Schriber currently serves as chairman of the PUCO. Dr. Schriber was appointed chairman by Governor Bob Taft in April 1999 and reappointed in March 2004. He also served as a PUCO commissioner from 1983-89 as appointed by then Governor Richard F. Celeste.

As chairman, Dr. Schriber heads a 400-person agency and along with four other commissioners, oversees the regulation of electric, natural gas, telecommunications, commercial transportation, and water utilities in the state of Ohio.

Dr. Schriber is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Telecommunications Committee that develops national telecommunications policy positions.

Dr. Schriber was appointed to the State of Ohio Security Task Force by Governor Taft in September 2001 to assist in developing a coordinated state strategy to address security issues. The Task Force coordinates Ohio's efforts to prevent, identify, and respond to terrorist activities against potential Ohio targets.

Dr. Schriber was asked by Governor Taft to chair the Federal Energy Policy Group to ensure that Ohio's voice regarding the nation's energy policy is amplified in Washington, D.C. He also serves as a member of the Electricity Task Force formed in November 2001 by the National Governor's Association Center for Best Practices that develops policy options and implementation strategies to ensure that the nation's electricity system is reliable in the 21st century.

Dr. Schriber also serves on the United States-Canada Power Outage Task Force charged with investigating the causes behind the August 2003 blackout that affected parts of Ohio and the northeastern United States.

Dr. Schriber has testified regarding utility matters before the Ohio legislature and United States Congress on numerous other occasions. In September 2003, he testified before the U.S. House Energy and Commerce Committee regarding the blackout, advocating for the creation of mandatory electric transmission reliability rules. Dr. Schriber contended that the individual states could then be endowed with the authority to enforce such transmission rules within their borders. In 2001, he was twice invited by the U.S. House Commerce Committee to testify about electricity issues as they relate to Ohio, providing detailed information on the efforts Ohio has been making to ensure that adequate power supplies are available to the state during its transition to a competitive electric generation market.

Dr. Schriber was an assistant professor of economics at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, from 1977-1993 where he taught both undergraduate and graduate-level economics classes.

In 1989, Dr. Schriber formed and became president of ARS Broadcasting Corp, Cincinnati which owned and operated a number of commercial radio stations in Indiana. He sold the business in 1997 and served as a personal investments manager, prior to being appointed chairman of the PUCO.

Dr. Schriber earned a B.S. in Economics from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, a M.S. in Economics from Miami University, Oxford, and was awarded his doctorate in Economics from Indiana University, Bloomington.



J. NICK BAIRD, M.D.

Director
Ohio Department of Health

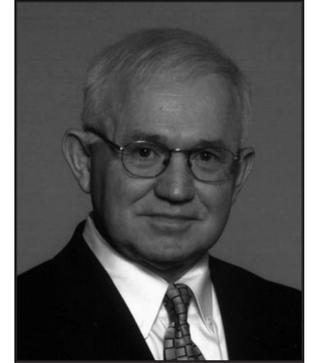
J. Nick Baird, M.D., was appointed Director of the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) on June 1, 1999. In his role as Ohio's State Health Officer, Dr. Baird guides the agency in its mission to protect and improve the health of all Ohioans through partnerships with 137 local health departments and the members of our medical and health communities. Under his leadership, ODH has established strategic priorities — encourage healthy choices; prevent chronic, environmental, genetic, and infectious diseases; eliminate health disparities; assure public health preparedness and security; assure quality and safety of health care services; improve organizational performance; and build strategic partnerships — that are guided by core values: leadership, excellence, accountability, and partnerships. Each of these goals is measurable and can be tracked.

Dr. Baird's leadership has resulted in increased health care coverage for low-income mothers and children, rapid and effective response to disease outbreaks such as meningitis, a strong program to deliver parent education services called "Help Me Grow," increased minimum requirements for nursing homes and small residential facilities, expanded tests to prevent life threatening or life compromising disease in newborns, and establishment of the infrastructure necessary for bioterrorism preparedness to assure the capacity to respond to threats when they occur. Dr. Baird believes if Ohioans practice good health habits, they are less likely to fall prey to chronic diseases, and he has work under way to encourage Ohioans to increase exercise and improve eating habits called, "Healthy Ohioans."

On June 20, 2002, President George W. Bush appointed Dr. Baird to serve a two-year term on the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports. The Council will advise the President and the Secretary of Health and Human Services about issues related to physical activity, fitness, and sports, and to recommend programs to promote regular physical activity for the health of the nation.

Prior to joining ODH, Dr. Baird served for 13 years with OhioHealth, most recently as Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer. He was a private practice physician in obstetrics and gynecology for 27 years and is an Associate Clinical Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Ohio State University College of Medicine. A former member of the Board of Trustees for U.S. Health Corporation, Dr. Baird formerly served as President of the Medical and Dental staff at Riverside Methodist Hospital, and as Chairman of the hospital's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He is a diplomat of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and a member of the Ohio State Medical Association and the Columbus Medical Association.

Dr. Baird holds a B.S. from The Ohio State University, and graduated cum laude from the OSU School of Medicine in 1966. Dr. Baird is past chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Columbus Zoo and is currently President of the Board the The Wilds (International Center for the Preservation of Wild Animals, Inc.). He has two children, both of Columbus, and four grandchildren.



FRED L. DAILEY

***Director
Ohio Department of Agriculture***

On January 13, 2003, Fred L. Dailey was reappointed by Governor Bob Taft to the post he had held since 1991 — Director of the Ohio Department of Agriculture. Director Dailey provides leadership for Ohio's No. 1 industry — agriculture — and administers numerous regulatory, food safety, and consumer protection programs for the benefit of all Ohioans.

Dailey's formal education and job experience include a B.A. degree from Indiana's Anderson University, where he majored in political science and history. He earned his master's degree in public administration from Ball State University. Following graduation, Dailey worked for the Indiana Department of Corrections and was later hired by the U.S. Treasury as a Sky Marshal during the hijacking crisis. In 1975, Dailey was appointed Director of the Indiana Division of Agriculture and served in that capacity for six years. In 1982, Dailey returned to his native state and for the next nine years served the Ohio beef industry as executive vice president of the Ohio Beef Council and executive secretary of the Ohio Cattlemen's Association.

A combat veteran, Dailey served as a paratrooper with the 101st airborne division in Vietnam. Dailey is a former rodeo cowboy and an amateur mountaineer. Since 1995, Dailey has scaled two of the seven continental summits: Mt. Elbrus (former USSR) and Mt. Kilimanjaro (Africa).

Director Dailey is past President of the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture. He is also past President of the Midwest Association of State Departments of Agriculture and is past President of the Mid-America International Agri-Trade Council. Dailey has received the FFA Honorary State Farmer degree from both Ohio and Indiana. He is also the recipient of numerous other agricultural awards including Agri-Marketer of the Year. In 1998, Dailey received the national "Outstanding State Agriculture Executive" award presented by the Biotechnology Industry Organization. In 1999, Dailey was named "Man of the Year" by Progressive Farmer magazine.

Dailey served as an advisory member of the Bush-Cheney agricultural transition team and was appointed by President Bush and confirmed by the Senate to serve as the Chairman of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (Farmer-Mac). Dailey resides on a working farm in Knox County where he raises Angus cattle.



BRUCE JOHNSON

Director

Ohio Department of Development

State Development Director Bruce Johnson is uniquely positioned to lead Ohio's economic development efforts in the 21st century. Appointed to his post by Ohio Governor Bob Taft in September 2001, Johnson is responsible for the day-to-day oversight of the Ohio Department of Development's 10 divisions and more than 450 employees. The Department is charged with cultivating the state's business climate by creating, retaining and expanding job opportunities for the 5.8 million Ohio residents who comprise the state's highly skilled workforce. Under Johnson's leadership, Ohio was awarded the prestigious 2003 Governor's Cup, presented by Site Selection Magazine to the state with the most new and expanded facilities.

In 2004, Governor Taft named Johnson to lead a newly created Jobs Cabinet, made up of state agency directors whose mission is to ensure all of state government focuses daily on job creation. Johnson also chairs the State's Third Frontier commission to create high-paying jobs for Ohioans in key economic sectors. The commission, formed in July of 2003, administers science and technology programs that aim to create jobs and promote Ohio's economic growth.

Director Johnson's experiences in both the public and private sectors have provided him with skills that are essential to the fulfillment of the Department's mission.

Having served in the Ohio Senate from April 1994 to September 2001, Johnson gained valuable legislative and leadership experience. He was the youngest Chairman in age and seniority in the history of the Ohio Senate when he was appointed Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee. Later, he was appointed Chairman of the powerful Ways

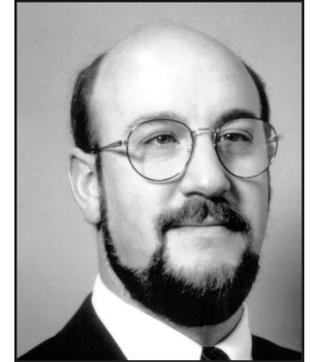
and Means Committee, which handles tax and utility matters. Johnson was elected President Pro Tempore, the second ranking member of the Senate.

In 1997, Johnson chaired the Joint Select Committee on Electric Deregulation and subsequently introduced Senate Bill 3 which was signed into law by Governor Taft in July 1999.

Prior to his appointment to the Ohio Legislature, Johnson served as chief of staff for Columbus Mayor Greg Lashutka, where he was responsible for supervising 10 department directors and 17 mayor's office associates. He played a strong role in developing policy regarding the operation of city government, including recommendations on a \$300 million general fund budget, capital improvement plans, tax policy, city planning, and development.

His private-sector experience includes an extensive legal background. He earned his juris doctor from Capital University Law School in Columbus and was admitted to the practice of law in Ohio in 1985. Johnson was, until his appointment, a member of counsel to the Chester, Willcox and Saxbe law firm in Columbus, where he provided small and medium-sized businesses with guidance regarding corporate structure, employment policy, and risk management.

Johnson earned his bachelors degree in economics from Bowling Green State University, where he served as student body president. He and his wife, Kelley, reside in Columbus with their four children: Shane, Meagan, Connor, and Morgan Christine.



CHRISTOPHER JONES

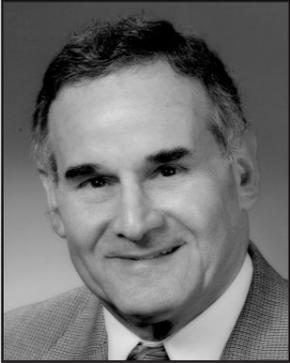
Director

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Governor Bob Taft appointed Christopher Jones Director of Ohio EPA on January 29, 1999. In that capacity, he is responsible for the protection of Ohio's air, land, and water resources. Prior to being appointed Director of Ohio EPA, Jones was the Chief of the Environmental Enforcement Section at the Ohio Attorney General's Office for four years. As Chief, he was responsible for the management and implementation of the environmental enforcement program representing Ohio EPA, and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources in federal, state, and administrative enforcement proceedings.

Prior to joining the Attorney General's Office he was in private practice focusing on environmental regulation and litigation. He served as Legislative Director under Congressman Michael DeWine for four years where he was responsible for oversight of the legislative staff. Mr. Jones is currently the President of the Environmental Council of the States, a national, non-profit, non-partisan association representing the state and territorial environmental commissioners.

Mr. Jones is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and the Georgetown University Law Center and is the past chair of the environmental law committee of the Columbus Bar Association.



STEPHEN A. SEBO

***Public Member, Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering
The Ohio State University***

Stephen A. Sebo received a M.S.E.E. degree from the Budapest Technical University in 1957, and a Ph.D. degree from the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in 1966. He is a Professor Emeritus of Electrical and Computer Engineering at The Ohio State University (OSU).

Between 1957 and 1961 he was a Laboratory and Test Engineer of the Budapest Electric Company. He was a faculty member of the Budapest Technical University between 1961 and 1967. He spent 1967-1968 at Columbia University, N.Y., with a Ford Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship. In 1968 he joined The Ohio State University, and he has been a Full Professor since 1974. His areas of expertise are Electric Power Systems and High Voltage Engineering.

Professor Sebo is the 1981 recipient of Edison Electric Institute's Power Educator Award, and received the 1982 Best Paper Award of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Power Engineering Society with Ross Caldecott. In 1982 he was appointed the American Electric Power Professor at OSU. He was named Technical Person of the Year by the Columbus Technical Council in 1994. Between 1995 and 2003, he was the Neal A. Smith Professor at OSU. He retired in 2003, but is still active in high voltage engineering research, teaching, and professional service.

Dr. Sebo has authored or co-authored many technical papers. He was elected a Fellow of the IEEE in 1992. He holds offices in the IEEE Power Engineering Society, and the IEEE Dielectrics and Electrical Insulation Society.

Dr. Sebo's major research accomplishment was the pioneering of the scale modeling techniques of high voltage AC and DC transmission stations. His current research focuses on high voltage insulator performance, the electromagnetic fields of AC and DC transmission stations, and on insulation diagnostics.



SAMUEL W. SPECK

Director

Ohio Department of Natural Resources

Samuel W. Speck is Director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), one of the largest and most diverse agencies in state government. Appointed by Governor Bob Taft in February 1999, he had been president of Muskingum College in New Concord, Ohio since 1988.

Sam Speck served in Ohio's General Assembly for 13 years, as a state representative from 1971 to 1976 and a state senator from 1977 to 1983. As a member of the Ohio House of Representatives, he was the primary author of the state's Strip Mine Reclamation Act. He also sponsored legislation to create the Division of Natural Areas & Preserves and a separate Division of Forestry within ODNR, as well as legislation to strengthen hunting and fishing in Ohio. He was also the principal sponsor of comprehensive public utilities reform (Sub. SB 378) passed by the General Assembly in 1982.

Raised on a Stark County farm, he is a graduate of Muskingum College and received a master's and a doctoral degree in government from Harvard University. Director Speck and his wife, Sharon, have two sons and three grandchildren.

As director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, his responsibilities include: management of Ohio's 74 state parks, 20 state forests, and 127 state nature preserves; oversight of hunting, fishing, and recreational boating in the state; promotion of recycling and litter prevention; management of the state's water resources; study of Ohio's geological and mineral resources; advancement of soil and water conservation practices; regulation of oil and gas-well drilling; regulation of mining and industrial minerals production; and the reclamation of surface-mined lands.



LOUIS W. BLESSING

**State Senator
R-Cincinnati**

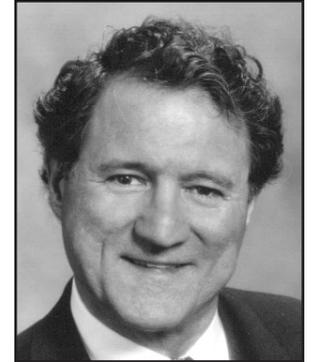
State Senator Louis Blessing has served in the Ohio Senate since 1997. He currently serves as Chairman of the Public Utilities Committee, and is a member of the Judiciary/Criminal Justice Committee; the Judiciary/Civil Justice Committee; the Health, Human Services, and Aging Committee; the Ways & Means & Economic Development Committee; and the Finance and Financial Institutions Committee. In addition to his legislative responsibilities, Senator Blessing has worked as an attorney in Cincinnati since 1983.

Prior to joining the Ohio Senate, Blessing served in the Ohio House of Representatives. During his 13 years there, he served as Chairman of the Public Utilities Committee and was a member of the Ethics Committee and the Commerce and Labor Committee. He was also a part of the House Republican leadership.

Senator Blessing served as Common Pleas Court Referee for Hamilton County from 1980 to 1982. He was on the Colerain Township Board of Trustees, from 1979 to 1982. While there, Blessing served as both President of the Board and President of the Hamilton County Township Trustees and Clerks Association.

Senator Blessing has been selected as “Watchdog of the Treasury” on numerous occasions and received the Legislator of the Year award from the Hamilton County Township Association. He also won the Bureau of National Affairs Annual Award for Scholastic Achievement. Blessing belongs to St. Ann’s Church and is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Phi Kappa Theta Fraternity, and the Colerain Township Republican Club.

Senator Blessing earned his B.B.A. at the University of Cincinnati in 1970 and his J.D. at the Salmon P. Chase College of Law in 1976. He and his wife, Linda, live in Cincinnati. They have two sons, Billy and Alex.



ROBERT F. HAGAN

State Senator
D-Youngstown

State Senator Robert F. Hagan was appointed on February 12, 1997 to serve the 33rd Senate District, encompassing all of Mahoning and Carroll counties, the eastern most townships of Stark county, as well as the eastern side of Tuscarawas county.

He was first elected to office in 1986 as the State Representative for the 53rd House District, which encompasses all of the Greater Youngstown area. Senator Hagan served in the Ohio House for 10 years before accepting a position in the Ohio Senate. He is also working as a locomotive engineer for CSX Transportation, Inc.

Senator Hagan currently serves on four standing committees in the Ohio Senate, including Controlling Board; Energy, Natural Resources and Environment; Health, Human Services and Aging; and Highways and Transportation.

During this session of the 125th General Assembly, Senator Hagan will focus on the issues of education reform, affordable prescription drugs and accessible health care for all Ohioans, and economic development issues in the Mahoning Valley.

The Hagan family has a long tradition of public service. When Senator Hagan was elected to office, he and his father, Robert E. Hagan, became the only father/son combination to serve together in the history of the Ohio General Assembly. They held office simultaneously as State Representatives from 1986 to 1988.

Senator Hagan, who has 13 brothers and sisters, has five children of his own. He is married to Michele and lives in Youngstown.



STEVE DRIEHAUS

**State Representative
D-Cincinnati**

Steve Driehaus was elected State Representative in November 2000, and is now in his second term. Steve represents the people of the 31st House District, which includes western Cincinnati, Addyston, Cheviot, Cleves, and North Bend.

In the legislature, Representative Driehaus has focused on the issues of community development, housing, and tax reform in the state of Ohio. A fiscal conservative, Representative Driehaus was named legislative “Rookie of the Year” by the *Cincinnati Enquirer* during his first term.

Steve formerly directed and now serves as a consultant to the Community Building Institute (CBI), in Cincinnati. CBI is a collaborative effort of Xavier University and United Way & Community Chest that promotes citizen-led, asset-based community development. In his position, Steve works with community leaders helping them to identify and mobilize strengths in their neighborhoods. He is actively involved in supporting community economic development initiatives, facilitating neighborhood planning processes and working with grassroots leaders.

Prior to his work with CBI, Steve was Associate Director of the Center for International Education and Development Assistance at Indiana University. At Indiana University, he coordinated several programs, including the highly acclaimed South African Internship Program sponsored by the United States Information Agency. The South African program continues to be the largest professional exchange program between the United States and the “new” South Africa.

From 1988-1990, Steve served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Senegal, West Africa. As a natural resource volunteer, he worked with village groups and local schools to promote sustainable environmental practices.

Steve is a 1984 graduate of Elder High School in Cincinnati. He holds a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree in Political Science from Miami University and a Masters degree in Public Affairs (MPA) with concentrations in Public Finance and Comparative International Affairs from Indiana University.

Selected as one of the Cincinnati Business Courier’s “Forty Under Forty,” Steve is also an active member of the Price Hill Civic Club, and serves on the Board of Seton High School. A former member of the Board of the Price Hill Historical Society, he was also the fund raising chairperson and a “build captain” for the 1,000 Hands community playground project at Dunham Recreation Center. He served on the Loan Committee of the Greater Cincinnati Microenterprise Initiative and was named to the Greater Cincinnati Foundation’s Task Force on “Encouraging Community Progress.” He currently serves on the Board of “Ohio River Visions.”

Steve, his wife, Lucienne, their two daughters, Alex and Clare, and son, Jack, live in Cincinnati.



LYNN E. OLMAN

**State Representative
R-Maumee**

State Representative Lynn Olman currently serves the 46th House District, which covers much of western Lucas County. He was first appointed to the seat in 1995 and was subsequently elected in 1996, 1998, 2000, and 2002. He serves as Chairman of the House Public Utilities Committee, and also serves as a member on five standing committees, including the County and Township Government Committee, Health Committee, Insurance Committee, Municipal Government and Urban Revitalization Committee, and the Veteran's Affairs Subcommittee. In addition to his appointment to the Ohio Power Siting Board, Lynn was also appointed by the Speaker to serve as co-chairman of the House Energy Policy Committee.

He previously has served as co-chairman of the Joint Legislative Committee on Decentralization of State Government, helping to guide the publication of its final report in May 1998. Other former appointments were to the Joint Legislative Committee to Study Electric Utility Deregulation, the Joint Legislative Committee to Study Ohio's Public Retirement Plans, and the Ohio Port Authority Advisory Council.

In 1969, Lynn obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Journalism from Ohio University. During his four years at college, Lynn was actively involved in student government, Phi Delta Theta fraternity, and the Inter-College Church Council.

In 1973, Lynn became affiliated with State Farm Insurance. Over the years, he has built his agency into a prosperous business representing over 3,100 local families. A native and resident of Maumee for over 30 years, he served as both a member and President of Maumee City Council for 15 years. Throughout his tenure, he served on nearly every council committee, and was Council President/Vice Mayor for four years.

As a respected and active citizen, Lynn has served many organizations such as the Maumee Rotary Club, Maumee Chamber of Commerce, Sylvania Chamber of Commerce, Waterville Chamber of Commerce, Maumee Jaycees, Maumee Republican Club, and the Lucas County Republican Party. He currently sits on the Young Life and Teen Line Boards as well as the University of Toledo's College of Business Administration Business Advisory Council. He also serves as a sponsor of the Maumee Senators Little League team.

BOARD PROCESS

Introduction

Before construction can begin on any major utility facility within the state of Ohio, a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need must be obtained from the Ohio Power Siting Board. The Ohio Revised Code defines a major utility facility as “a generating plant of 50 megawatts or more; an electric transmission line of 125 kilovolts (kV) or more; or a gas or natural gas transmission line capable of transporting gas at more than 125 pounds per square inch of pressure.”

The board is comprised of 11 members. The seven voting members are: the chair of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO); the directors of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency; the Ohio Departments of Agriculture, Development, Health, and Natural Resources; and a public member. The public representative, who must be an engineer, is appointed by the governor from a list of nominees submitted by the Ohio Consumers’ Counsel. The four non-voting members are legislators—two from the Ohio House of Representatives and two from the Ohio Senate. The chairman of the PUCO serves as the chairman of the Power Siting Board. The board’s staff is drawn from the member agencies’ staff and coordinates its work with other state agencies interested in siting activities.

Pre-Application

Before filing an application which demonstrates environmental compatibility and public need for a proposed facility, the applicant may request a pre-application conference. Local officials in the areas affected by the proposed facility are notified of the pre-application conference. The conference serves as an opportunity for clarification of the board’s rules and regulations, identification of potential problems with the project, and notification of possible requests for waivers, or departures from the board’s rules.

Public Informational Meeting

Prior to any formal filings, the applicant is required to hold a public informational meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to advise affected parties of the upcoming project. Also, public input and concerns are gathered by the applicant to aid in preparation of an application.

The Application

Upon completion of the public informational meeting, the application for the proposed facility is filed with the board. The application must discuss the need for the facility and describe its impact and effects on the surrounding area. Each application must also contain information on alternatives. For electric generating plants, the application must include fully developed information for at least two viable sites. Applications for transmission lines must also include fully developed information on two routes. While one of the sites is designated “preferred” by the applicant, both the preferred and alternative must be actual and viable sites that the board could approve. The “preferred” designation does not indicate any favor or prior approval of the board.

Once the application is received, the board’s staff has 60 days to complete a review to determine if the application complies with the board’s requirements. If it does not, the application is rejected until the deficiencies are corrected. When the application is determined to be complete, it is served on local public officials in the area of the project, and legal notices are published in newspapers in those areas impacted by the proposed facility. The legal notice must include a listing of the area libraries where a copy of the application may be viewed. Also during this period, interested parties have the opportunity to be recognized as intervenors, or formal parties, in the case.

Hearings

Adjudicatory, or formal legal hearings, and public hearings are held. The public hearing enables citizens, interest groups, and governmental entities to present sworn or unsworn testimony. Sworn testimony, which is testimony given under oath or affirmation, is included in the case as evidence. Unsworn testimony does not become official evidence, but may provide the basis for further investigation.

A hearing officer, who is an attorney, presides over the hearing in the capacity of a judge. Exhibits are marked and a court reporter records all proceedings and testimony. Following the hearings, the record in the case is closed and the hearing officer recommends an action to the board. The board reviews and discusses the information presented in the case and then makes its ruling.

Staff Report

The board’s staff members carefully review the application and consult with and solicit written comments from other interested state agencies. A staff report containing the staff’s findings and recommendations must be made available 15 days prior to the start of the hearings. This staff report becomes a part of the evidence in each case, but the board is not bound by the staff’s recommendations.

The Board’s Decision

In making its decision, the board must find and determine eight statutory criteria:

1. The need for the facility;
2. The probable environmental impact of the proposed facility;
3. Whether the facility represents the minimum adverse environmental impact, considering the technology that is available and the nature and economics of alternatives;
4. 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;
5. The facility will comply with all air and water pollution control and solid waste disposal laws and regulations;
6. The facility will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity;
7. The facility’s impact on the viability as agricultural land of any land in an existing agricultural district; and
8. The facility incorporates maximum feasible water conservation practices as determined by the board, considering available technology and the nature and economics of various alternatives.

Rehearings and Appeals

The board follows the PUCO procedure regarding rehearing. Similar to the PUCO, all decisions of the Ohio Power Siting Board may be appealed to the Ohio Supreme Court.

BOARD TIMELINE

1970

1975

1980

1985

1972

Ohio Power Siting Commission created; member agencies include EPA, Development, Health, PUCO, as well as a public member appointed by governor; EPA chairs

1977

Membership expanded to include departments of energy and natural resources as well as four state legislators

1981

PUCO serves as chair; board housed within PUCO; funded with fees only

1985

Department of Agriculture added to membership; board staff merged into PUCO

1983

Department of Energy dissolved; removed from board

1974

Staffed by "agency coordinators;" Funded with fees and general revenue fund

1982

Agricultural District criteria added

1984

Agricultural District rule modified

1979

Term of public member changed to four years; solid waste facilities exempted from board jurisdiction

1986

Special legislation regarding coal development projects

1998

Revision of board rules

1988

Water conservation
criteria added

2003

Revision of
board rules

1990

1995

2000

TODAY

1991

Airport coordination
criteria added



1999

Presumption of need
requirement added for
electric generation projects



A helicopter assisting with stringing the conductors on the Beaver-Greenfield 345 kV transmission line in Lorain and Erie counties



FACILITIES CERTIFICATION ACTIVITIES

Generating Facilities Applications

99-989-EL-BGN
 DPL Energy, Inc.
 Darby Electric Generating Station

DPL Energy proposed to build a 480 MW gas turbine peaking facility in Darby Township, Pickaway County. The public information meeting was held on August 18, 1999, in Pickaway County. The application was filed February 3, 2000. The public hearing was held on August 3, 2000, and the adjudicatory hearing was conducted on August 8, 2000. The board certificated this project on September 5, 2000. The first four units were available for commercial operation in June of 2001 and the last two units became operational in May of 2002. Staff is monitoring final restoration activities.



application was submitted on October 28, 1999. The public hearing was held March 23, 2000. The adjudicatory hearing was held on March 24, 2000. The board approved the project on April 17, 2000. The facility achieved commercial operation on June 26, 2002. Staff is monitoring final restoration activities.

99-1626-EL-BGN
 Compressed Air Energy Storage
 Norton Energy Storage

Norton Energy Storage proposed to utilize the existing PPG limestone underground mine in the city of Norton for storing compressed air to generate electricity during peak demands. The first phase of the project would generate approximately 300 MW. The project is proposed to be developed in phases up to 2,700 MW of capacity by 2006. The application was filed on October 24, 2000. The board certificated the project on May 21, 2001. Project construction has not yet commenced.



99-999-EL-BGN
 Troy Energy Facility
 Troy Energy, LLC

This project involves a 600 MW gas turbine peaking project proposed by Troy Energy, LLC at the Lemoyne Industrial Park, in Troy Township, Wood County. The



99-1705-EL-BGA

DPL Energy, Inc.

Tait Electric Generating Station



DPL Energy proposed to construct and operate four additional combustion turbine generators (320 MW) at the Tait Peaking Facility in Montgomery County. This application was an amendment to a certificate issued in March of 1994, for three other combustion generators (210 MW). The application was received December 23, 1999. Staff found in its report of June 26, 2000, that the impacts were not significantly different than had been noted in the original staff report, issued in January of 1994. The board issued a certificate for this amendment on July 17, 2000. Construction of the additional units commenced in September of 2001. The facility achieved commercial operation in May of 2002. Staff is monitoring final restoration activities.

00-243-EL-BGN

National Power Cooperative, Inc.

Robert P. Mone Electric Generating Plant



National Power proposed to build and operate a 500 MW peaking plant in Van Wert County. National Power is a wholly owned subsidiary of Ohio Rural Electric Cooperatives. National Power has solicited the aid of AEP Service Corporation to process the application. In addition, AEP will operate the facility and market the electricity until the year 2006. A public informational meeting was held February 16, 2000 in Delphos. The application was received February 29, 2000. The public hearing was held on July 19, 2000, and the adjudicatory hearing commenced on July 20, 2000. The board certificated this project on September 5, 2000. Construction commenced on June 4, 2001. The plant became fully operational on July 22, 2002. Staff is monitoring final restoration activities.

00-513-EL-BGN

Lima Energy Ltd.

Lima Energy Station



Lima Energy Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Global Energy in Cincinnati, Ohio, proposed to build a 580 MW base load plant in Lima, Ohio. The combustion turbines will use synthetic gas, generated by a gasifier fueled with pellets containing municipal-solid-waste and Ohio coal. The plant will be located in Lima, at

Liberty Commons. The application was filed July 25, 2000. The application was originally found to be insufficient. The applicant provided clarifying data and the board certificated the facility on May 20, 2002. Project construction has not yet commenced.

00-637-EL-BGN

CinCap X, LLC

West End Combustion Turbine Station



The company proposed to install two 42 MW combustion turbines, adjacent to the Cincinnati Gas and Electric (CG&E) West End Substation. The turbines will be fired only with natural gas. The site is in an industrial area just west of the Brent Spence Bridge (I-75 over the Ohio River). The project will help support the reliability of the downtown Cincinnati electric distribution network. The public informational meeting was held August 15, 2000. The application was filed on September 28, 2000. The board certificated the project on June 18, 2001. The applicant elected to request cancellation of the certificate on January 28, 2003, and that request was approved by the board on March 17, 2003.

00-670-EL-BGN

Duke Energy Washington, LLC

Washington Generation Facility



The applicant proposed to install a 620 MW facility, utilizing combined-cycle gas turbines, in Waterford Township, Washington County. The public informational meeting was held on April 18, 2000. The application was received April 19, 2000. The staff report was issued on August 21, 2000. The public hearing was held on September 5, 2000, and the adjudicatory hearing commenced on September 6, 2000. The board issued a certificate for the facility on October 16, 2000. The facility became commercially operational on June 27, 2002. Staff is monitoring final restoration activities.

*00-686-EL-BGN
Dresden Energy, LLC
Dresden Energy Facility*



The applicant proposed to build a 500 MW gas-fired, combined-cycle generating facility in Cass Township, Muskingum County. The public informational meeting was held on May 2, 2000 in Dresden. The application was filed on June 23, 2000 and was sent to the various agencies for preliminary review and evaluation. The application was declared in compliance on August 24, 2000. The staff report was issued on November 6, 2000, and a revised staff report was issued on November 7, 2000. The public hearing was conducted on November 21, 2000. The adjudicatory hearing was held on November 22, 2000. The board issued a certificate for the facility on February 12, 2001 and construction is underway. The facility is scheduled to become operational in the summer of 2006.

*00-723-EL-BGN
Waterford Energy, LLC
Waterford Energy Facility*



The applicant proposed to build an 850 MW (combined-cycle, gas and steam turbine) facility in Waterford Township, Washington County. The public informational meeting was held at Waterford High School on March 23, 2000. The application was filed May 2, 2000, and declared in compliance on June 30, 2000. The staff report was issued on September 18, 2000. The public hearing was held on October 3, 2000, and the adjudicatory hearing commenced on October 4, 2000. The board certificated this project on November 20, 2000. The facility achieved commercial operation on August 6, 2003. Staff is monitoring final restoration efforts.

*00-839-EL-BGN
Cogentrix Energy, Inc.
Jackson County Power Project*



The applicant proposed to construct and operate a 1,200 MW combined-cycle merchant facility in Franklin Township, Jackson County. The project would have required a seven million-gallon per day water system. The applicant was working with the county to develop a ten million-gallon per day system, which would benefit other water

customers in the county as well. The public informational meeting was held on June 22, 2000. The application was received on July 20, 2000. The board certificated the project on July 23, 2001. Requests for rehearing were filed by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Jackson County and The Nature Conservancy (TNC) on August 21 and 22, 2001, respectively. The board denied the requests on September 17, 2001. TNC and the applicant had reached an agreement on appropriate measures to protect the integrity of Baker's Swamp. The applicant requested that the certificate for this facility be cancelled on May 30, 2003, and that request was granted by the board on July 7, 2003.

*00-892-EL-BGN
Jackson Generating Company, LLC
640 MW Combustion Turbine Project*



The company proposed to build a 640 MW gas-fired, simple-cycle merchant plant in Bloomfield Township, Jackson County. The facility would have been designed to operate solely on natural gas. The public informational meeting was held July 27, 2000. The application was filed on September 8, 2000. The board certificated this project on April 23, 2001. On December 20, 2002, the applicant requested that the board terminate the certificate for this project. The board granted the request to terminate the certificate on January 21, 2003.

*00-922-EL-BGN
AMP-Ohio
Napoleon Generating Facility*



PG&E proposed to add 45 MW of generating capacity, simple-cycle, to their existing 45 MW facility in Napoleon, Henry County. The project area is located on industrial land adjacent to a metal and automobile scrap yard. The application was received July 21, 2000. The public hearing was held on December 12, 2000 and the adjudicatory hearing was conducted on December 14, 2000. The board certificated the project on February 12, 2001. The applicant requested that the certificate be transferred to AMP-Ohio on June 26, 2003. The board granted the transfer request on July 7, 2003.

00-924-EL-BGN

AMP-Ohio

Bowling Green Generating Facility



PG&E proposed to add 45 MW of generating capacity, simple-cycle, to their existing 45 MW facility, in Bowling Green, Wood County. The project area is near the Wood County Airport, adjacent to an active railroad line. The application was received on July 13, 2000. The staff report was issued on November 28, 2000. The public hearing was conducted on December 13, 2000 and the adjudicatory hearing was held on December 14, 2000. The board certificated the project on February 12, 2001. The applicant requested that the certificate be transferred to AMP-Ohio on June 26, 2003. The board granted the transfer request on July 7, 2003.

00-1527-EL-BGN

Calpine Corporation

Fremont Energy Center



Calpine Corporation of San Jose, California, proposed to build a combined-cycle gas turbine generating facility in Sandusky Township, Sandusky County. The facility will have a rated capacity of 540 MW, with peaking capability of 704 MW. The project will use Westinghouse turbine technology. The application was submitted on September 29, 2000. The board approved the project on May 21, 2001. The pre-construction meeting was held on June 21, 2001. The facility is under construction and it is expected to be operational by the summer of 2006.

00-1616-EL-BGN

Rolling Hills Generating, LLC

Rolling Hills Generating Project



The applicant is a subsidiary of Dynegy Corporation, which is based in Houston, Texas. The proposed 800 MW simple-cycle generating plant was built in Wilkesville Township, Vinton County. The plant operates solely on natural gas and it will connect to AEP's 765 kV transmission system. Natural gas will be supplied to the turbines via existing Texas Eastern pipelines located at the site. The public informational meeting was held on September 7, 2000. The board certificated the project on June 21, 2001. The facility achieved commercial operation in July of 2003. Staff is monitoring final site restoration.

00-2198-EL-BGN

DPL Energy, Inc.

Harrod Electric Generating Plant



DPL Energy proposed to build a 480 MW to 510 MW gas turbine peaking facility in Richland Township, Allen County. Both the preferred and alternate sites are located in rural areas. The public informational meeting was held on October 26, 2000 at the Colonial Hills Country Club. The application was filed on November 29, 2000. Additional data on the alternate site was filed on April 2, 2001. The public hearing was held August 28, 2001 and the adjudicatory hearing was held on August 30, 2001. The board certificated this project on October 29, 2001. Construction of the project has not yet commenced.

01-175-EL-BGN

Duke Energy Hanging Rock, LLC

Hanging Rock Generation Facility



Duke Energy North America proposed a 1,240 MW combined-cycle combustion turbine facility in Hamilton Township, Lawrence County. Water will be supplied from the Ohio River. The application was filed February 28, 2001. The board approved the project on September 17, 2001. The facility commenced full commercial operation on July 14, 2003. Staff is monitoring final restoration activities.

01-369-EL-BGN

Calpine Corporation

Lawrence Energy Center Electric Generation Facility



Calpine Corporation proposed to build an 850 MW combined-cycle gas turbine electric generation facility, with peaking capability of 1100 MW, in Hamilton Township, Lawrence County. Water for cooling would be drawn from the Ohio River. A public informational meeting was held on February 27, 2001. The application was filed on May 14, 2001. The application was accepted as in compliance on July 23, 2001. The staff report was filed on October 29, 2001. The public hearing was held on November 13, 2001, and the adjudicatory hearing commenced on November 15, 2001. The board certificated the facility on January 28, 2002. The applicant has delayed the start of construction until 2006.

01-803-EL-BGN

Columbiana County Energy, LLC

Columbiana County Energy Center



The company had proposed to build a combined-cycle generation facility in Center or Salem Township, Columbiana County. The plant would be capable of generating 1100 MW on peak. Water for cooling would be taken from the Ohio River. The public informational meeting was held on May 31, 2001. The application was filed on June 14, 2001. The public hearing was held on November 28, 2001, and the adjudicatory hearing commenced on November 29, 2001. The board certificated this facility on May 20, 2002. The applicant requested that the board cancel the certificate on May 30, 2003, and that request was granted on July 7, 2003.

01-1022-EL-BGN

Aquila Fulton County Power, LLC

Aquila Metamora Energy Center



The applicant, a special purpose subsidiary of Utilicorp United of Kansas City, proposed a 400 MW peaking facility in Metamora, Fulton County. The preferred site for the facility is located in an industrial park within the Village of Metamora. A public informational meeting was held in Metamora on May 22, 2001. The application was filed October 2, 2001. The applicant subsequently presented supplemental data on substitute generation machines. The board certificated the facility on May 20, 2002. Project construction has not yet commenced.

01-1527-EL-BGN

DPC Northeast Power, LLC

Fort Shawnee Generating Facility



Delta Power proposed to build a 750 MW combined-cycle generating facility in the Village of Fort Shawnee, Allen County. The preferred site is a brown field site located near the Lima tank manufacturing facility and one mile south of the Lima-Liberty project (case number 00-513-EL-BGN). The public informational meeting was held on September 25, 2001. An application was not filed and the applicant has since requested that the project be withdrawn on October 29, 2002. The board granted the request to withdraw the filing on January 21, 2003.

01-1830-EL-BGN

DPL Energy, LLC

Howell Electric Generating Station



The applicant proposed to build a 300 MW peaking facility in Stokes Township, Madison County. The project would involve the installation of six Pratt & Whitney Power Systems FT8 Twin Pac combustion turbines. The public informational meeting was held on July 19, 2001. The application was received on August 10, 2001. The application was deemed to have insufficient information for further review on October 25, 2001. The applicant requested that the application be withdrawn on September 25, 2002, and the request was granted on January 21, 2003.

02-246-EL-BGN

Aquila, Inc.

Muskingum 300 MW Generating Facility



Aquila, Inc. proposed to construct a 300 MW simple-cycle electric peaking facility in Muskingum County. Aquila held a public informational meeting outlining the project for local area residents on April 24, 2002. The application was filed in July of 2002. The applicant has since requested that the application be withdrawn on October 4, 2002, and the board granted the request on January 21, 2003.

02-1092-EL-BGN

NRG Ashtabula Generating, LLC

Replacement of Four Boilers at the Ashtabula Power Station



On May 7, 2002, the applicant proposed to file an application to replace four coal-fired generating units located at the Ashtabula C Plant, with a 170 MW gas turbine. The applicant has since requested that the project be terminated on October 23, 2002. The board granted the applicant's request to terminate the project on January 21, 2003.

02-3082-EL-BGN

Nordic Energy of Ashtabula, LLC

Ashtabula IGCC 830 MW Generating Facility



Nordic is proposing to build an integrated gasification combined-cycle facility with a nominal capacity of 830 MW, utilizing three gas turbines and one steam turbine. High sulfur coal is being proposed as the feedstock to the gasification process. A public informational meeting was held on December 10, 2002. The applicant applied for waivers of financial data filed in accordance with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission accounting standards on July 28, 2003. The administrative law judge granted the request on September 12, 2003. Nordic has not yet filed an application with the board.

Electric Transmission Applications

00-99-EL-BTX

FirstEnergy

Hanna-Shalersville 345 kV Transmission Line Project



FirstEnergy proposed to construct a 13-mile 345 kV transmission line in Portage County. The new line was built entirely within an existing right-of-way owned by the company. The application was received March 21, 2000. The initial public hearing was held August 29, 2000. A second public hearing was held October 25, 2000. The adjudicatory hearing commenced August 31 and continued through November 3, 2000. The board certificated this project on November 20, 2000. The first pre-construction conference was held in January of 2001. Construction was accomplished in three phases and the line was energized on April 15, 2002.

01-207-EL-BTX

American Transmission Systems, Inc.

Beaver-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Project



The applicant proposed to build a 35-mile 138 kV transmission line from Greenfield Substation to the Beaver Substation. The Beaver Substation is adjacent to the West Lorain Generating Station. Public informational meetings were held on March 26 and March 27, 2001; one in Lorain County and one in Erie County. The application was received July 10, 2001. The board certificated the project on May 20, 2002. After submittal of appropriate data and plans, commencement of construction was authorized by the board on December 5, 2002. On October 10, 2003, the applicant filed an amendment to change the engineering design of structures on the Western Section under case number 03-2098-EL-BTA. The amendment was granted on December 15, 2003. Sections of the facility are under construction.

01-2349-EL-BTX

DPC Northeast Power, LLC.

Fort Shawnee to Southwest Lima 345 kV Transmission Project



The applicant proposed to build a 4-mile 345 kV transmission line from the Fort Shawnee Generating Facility (case number 01-1527-EL-BGN) to the Southwest Lima Substation. The public informational meeting was held on September 25, 2001. The applicant requested that the case be terminated on October 29, 2002, and that request was granted on January 21, 2003.

02-2153-EL-BTX

Columbus Southern Power Company

Davidson-Dublin 138 kV Reinforcement Project



The applicant proposed to build a 138 kV line between the Dublin and Davidson Substations. The new line would replace existing 69 kV lines of two different circuits. A public informational meeting was held September 17, 2002. An application was filed on August 7, 2003. The application was found to be in compliance on September 18, 2003. A supplement to the application was filed on December 17, 2003, and the case is under investigation.

03-0132-EL-BTX

East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc.

EKP/CCD 345 kV Transmission Interconnection Project



East Kentucky proposed to build a 345 kV loop from the Spurlock Substation to the Zimmer-Stuart 345 kV transmission line. The project requires 1.7 miles of double circuit 345 kV transmission line in Brown County, from the Ohio border to the Zimmer-Stuart transmission line. The application was filed on September 10, 2003. The chairman of the board found the application to be in compliance on November 7, 2003. The hearing schedule was established on November 26, 2003.

03-2098-EL-BTA

American Transmission Systems, Inc.

Beaver-Greenfield Electric Transmission Line



This project involves a minor change to the engineering design of the Western Section of the Beaver-Greenfield Electric Transmission Line Project, which was filed under case number 01-207-EL-BTX. The applicant proposed to re-configure the design standards to accommodate a double-circuit 138 kV facility. The certificated project involves the installation of a single-circuit 345 kV line, supported on H-Frame structures. The amended facility would utilize the exact alignment as the previously certificated project. At present, the applicant proposes to install only one circuit, leaving the open side of the structures available for an additional circuit. If a second circuit is required in the future, the applicant would seek board approval for any such installation. This amendment was filed on October 10, 2003, and approved on December 15, 2003.

Gas Transmission Applications

01-520-GA-BTX

Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company

C 314 Natural Gas Pipeline



The company proposed to install a 24-inch pipeline, 10.7 miles in length, from the State Route 63 to Fields Ertel Road. The public informational meeting was held on February 13, 2001. The application was filed on April 18, 2001. Staff made a route review by helicopter on June 8, 2001. On August 22, 2001, the applicant filed a request to hold the case in abeyance to allow additional time to provide supplemental route information. The additional data was filed on September 17, 2001. The public hearing was held on October 30, 2001. The adjudicatory hearing commenced on November 1, 2001. Briefs were filed on December 14, 2001, and reply briefs were filed on December 21, 2001. The board certificated the facility on January 28, 2002. The applicant filed an amendment under case number 02-3256-GA-BTA on December 13, 2002. The board approved the amendment on July 7, 2003. The facility began commercial operation on December 5, 2003. Staff is monitoring restoration activities.

02-3256-GA-BTA

Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company

C 314 Natural Gas Transmission Line Amendment



On December 13, 2002, the applicant filed an amendment to modify the alignment of case number 01-520-GA-BTX, which involved the installation of a 24-inch, 10.7-mile, natural gas pipeline in Butler and Warren Counties. The applicant proposed to adjust approximately one mile of the pipeline and to relocate the southern station. The board approved the amendment on July 7, 2003. The facility began commercial operation on December 5, 2003. Staff is monitoring restoration activities.

Letters of Notification

03-16-EL BLN

American Transmission Systems, Inc.

Tap to Brush Substation



This project involves the installation of approximately 115 feet of 138 kV transmission line, supported on single wood pole structures, from the Pleasant Valley-West Akron West transmission line to the Brush Substation. The transmission line tap is required to accommodate load growth in the area, and will be placed in existing Ohio Edison right of way. This project is located in the Village of Richfield, Summit County. The letter of notification was filed on January 3, 2003, and approval was granted on February 19, 2003. Construction was completed on June 4, 2003.

03-342-EL-BLN

American Transmission Systems, Inc.

Tap to Dana ASG Tech Center Substation



This project consisted of the installation of a single circuit 138 kV tap to the proposed Dana ASG Tech Center Substation. The project required approximately 1,100 feet of conductors supported on three structures. This project was necessary to accommodate increased electrical demand from the Dana Corporation. The project is located in the city of Maumee, Lucas County. The letter of notification was filed on February 4, 2003, and approval was granted on March 12, 2003. Construction was completed on July 25, 2003.

03-474-EL-BLN

Dayton Power and Light Company

Tap for Watkins Delivery Point



Buckeye Power requested that DP&L provide a tap from the existing Darby-Delaware 138 kV Line into the new distribution substation (Union Rural Electric), adjacent to the right-of-way of the transmission line. This project is located in Dover Township, Union County. A steel pole was erected on the centerline of the existing transmission line to form the tap. The pole also contains the isolating switches, to isolate the substation for maintenance or in case of an emergency. The letter of notification was filed on February 18, 2003, and approval was granted on March 18, 2003. This line was energized and placed in-service on May 29, 2003.

03-1496-EL-BLN

American Electric Power

North Central Co-Op 138 kV Extension

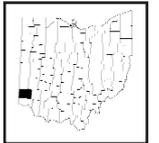


This case consists of tapping the existing Fostoria-Pemberville 138 kV transmission line and constructing 1.8 miles of single circuit 138 kV transmission line to serve North Central Electric Co-Op's proposed Risingsun Substation. This facility is located in Perry Township, Wood County. The project requires the installation of 29 wood poles and a self-supporting steel pole at the tap. The letter of notification was filed on July 8, 2003 and approval was granted on August 25, 2003. The project is under construction.

03-1557-EL-BLN

Cinergy

Seward Road Substation Loop



This project involves the replacement of three existing poles that carry circuits 3,889 and 3,164 with four taller poles. The new poles will be installed within the existing right-of-way. The project is necessary to supply a new distribution substation to be located at 8,332 Seward Road, within the city of Fairfield, Butler County. The letter of notification was filed on July 17, 2003. Approval was granted on August 1, 2003. This project is under construction.

03-2182-EL-BLN

American Electric Power

Relocation at Sawmill Substation



This project consists of relocating approximately 0.26 mile of a single-circuit 138 kV transmission line at Sawmill Station. The relocation will be entirely on property owned by Columbus Southern Power. The project is located within the city of Dublin, Franklin County. Only one pole will be installed outside the fenced area of the substation. The line was originally designed and built as a 138kV transmission line, but energized at 69 kV. To convert the line to 138 kV, it must be rerouted from the 69 kV bay at the substation. The letter of notification was filed on October 27, 2003, and approval was granted on December 11, 2003.

03-2398-EL-BLN

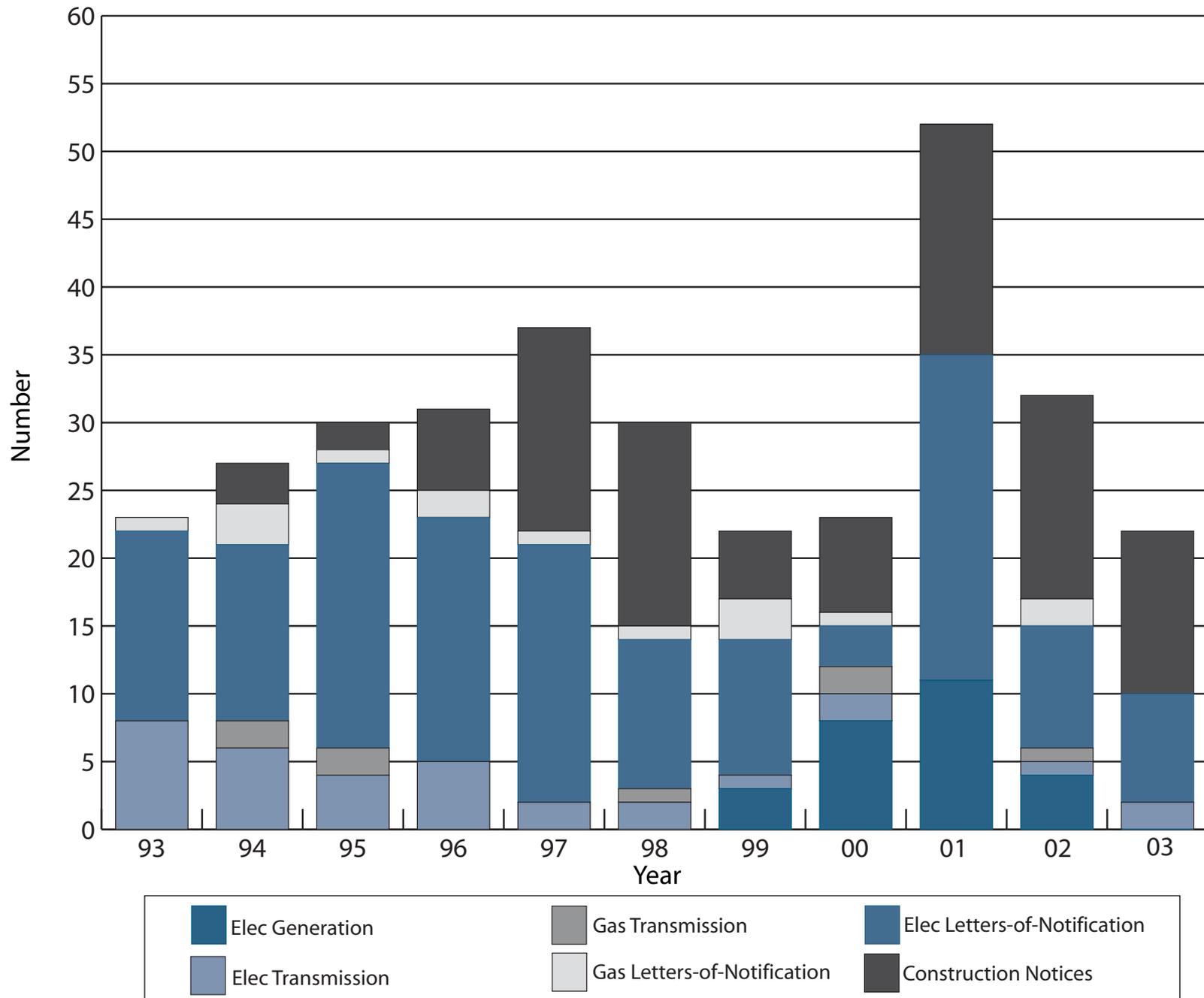
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Service to Kenworth Truck Company

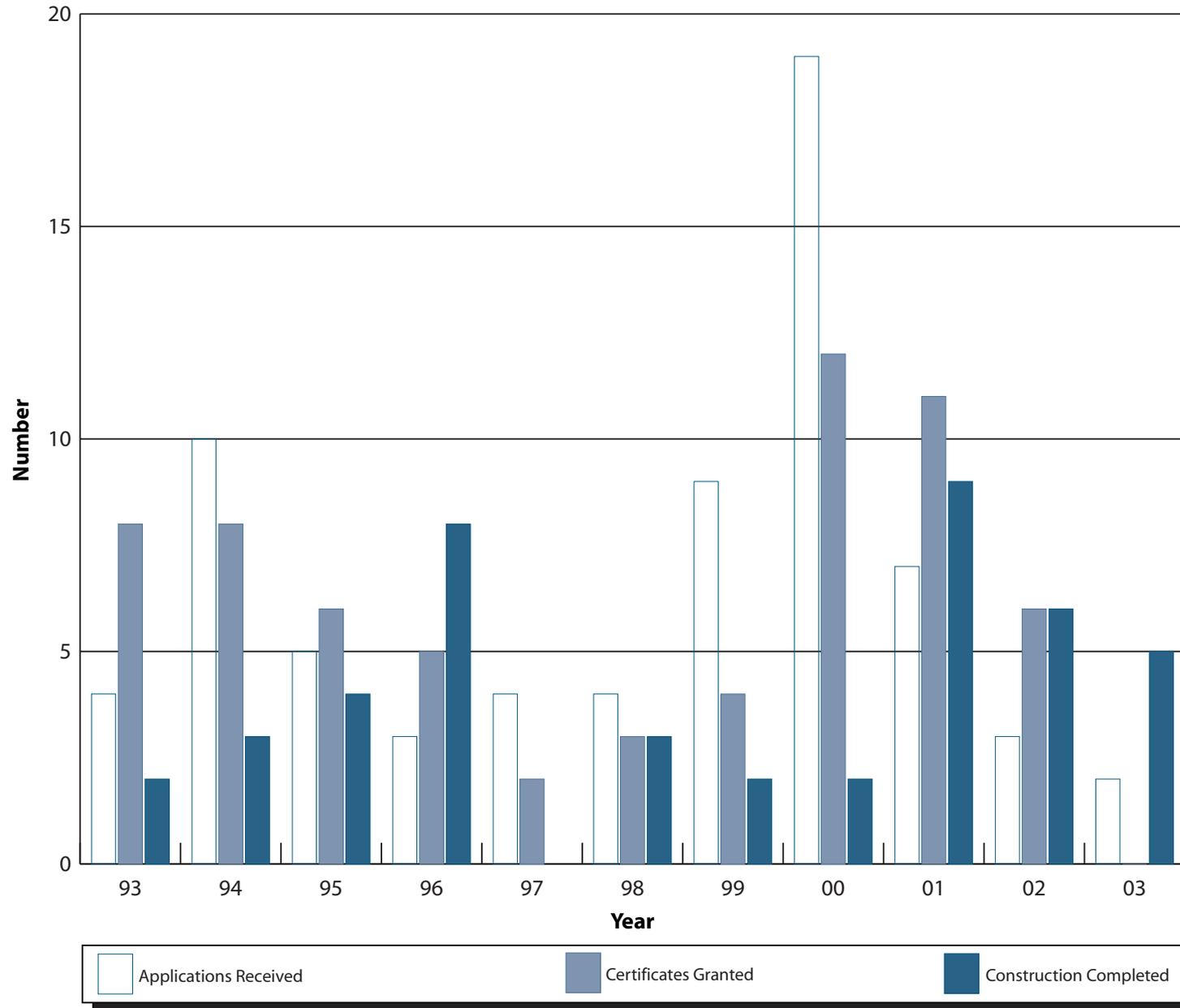


This project consists of the construction of two new single circuit 138 kV transmission lines: a tap to Delano Substation and a tap to Ross-Delano 138 kV transmission line. Both taps will be approximately 0.3 miles long. The first segment requires seven single wood poles structures and a self-supporting steel switch pole, while six single wood pole structures will be necessary for the second segment. The project is needed to serve the Kenworth Truck Company in Chillicothe, Ohio. The project is located in Green Township, Ross County. The letter of notification was filed on December 12, 2003, and it is under investigation.

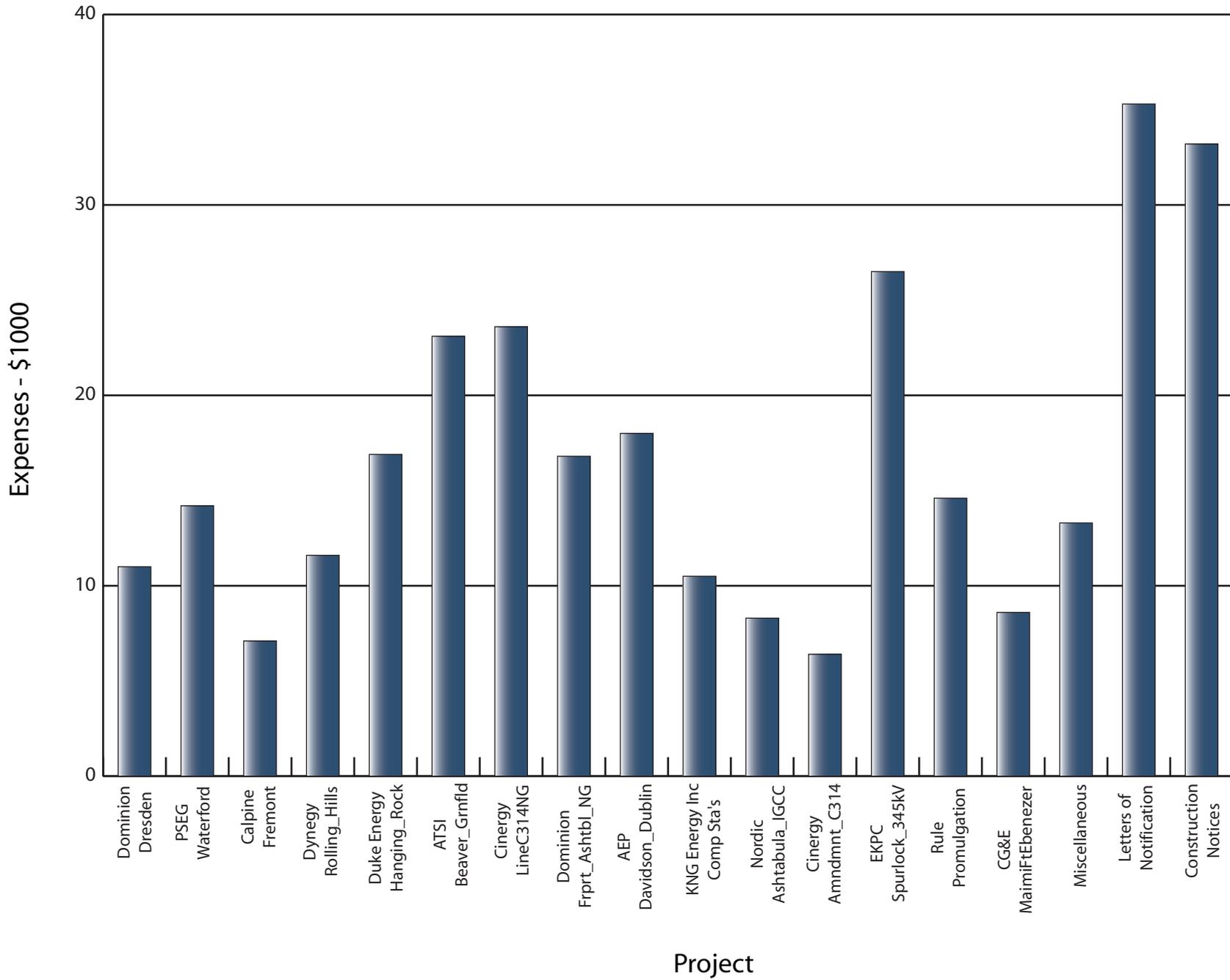
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MAJOR PROJECT STATUS



2003 PROJECT EXPENDITURES



FINANCIAL REPORT

2003 Expenses

Generating Facility Applications

99-0540-EL-BGN - OE - West Lorain	\$	80.57
99-0586-EL-BGN FirstEnergy - Mid-Atlantic		80.57
99-0999-EL-BGN Dominion - Troy Energy Facility		2,032.12
99-1626-EL-BGN CAES - Norton Energy Storage		361.26
00-0513-EL-BGN Global Energy - Lima		512.92
00-0637-EL-BGN CG&E - West End		296.81
00-0670-EL-BGN Duke Energy - Washington		440.10
00-0686-EL-BGN Dominion - Dresden		10,974.43
00-0723-EL-BGN PSEG - Waterford		14,212.43
00-0892-EL-BGN Entergy - Jackson Generating		161.65
00-0922-EL-BGN PG&E - Napoleon		149.07
00-0924-EL-BGN PG&E - Bowling Green		149.07
00-1527-EL-BGN Calpine - Fremont		7,053.46
00-1616-EL-BGN Dynegy - Rolling Hills		11,631.70
01-0175-EL-BGN Duke Energy - Hanging Rock		16,934.40
01-1527-EL-BGN DPC Northeast Power - Hyperion		291.49
01-1830-EL-BGN DPL Energy - Howell		210.41
02-0246-EL-BGN Aquila - Muskingum		210.41
02-1092-EL-BGN NRG - Ashtabula		210.41
02-3082-EL-BGN Nordic Energy - Ashtabula		8,253.15

Electric Transmission Applications

00-0099-EL-BTX OE - Hanna-Shalersville		146.70
01-0207-EL-BTX ATSI - Beaver-Greenfield		23,122.38
01-2349-EL-BTX DPC Northeast Power - Fort Shawnee		210.41
02-2153-EL-BTX CSP - Davidson-Dublin		18,019.27
03-0132-EL-BTX EKPC - CCD 345 kV Interconnection		26,475.04
03-2098-EL-BTA ATSI - Beaver-Greenfield		4,883.52

Gas Transmission Applications

99-0541-GA-BTX FirstEnergy - West Lorain	\$	157.41
00-1785-GA-BTA FirstEnergy - West Lorain		80.57
01-0520-GA-BTX CG&E - C-314		23,623.33
02-1124-GA-BTX Dominion - Ashtabula-Fairport		1,840.55
02-1350-GA-BTA CG&E - C-314		696.88
02-3256-GA-BTA CG&E - C-314		6,376.50

Letters of Notification

87-0784-EL-BLN FirstEnergy - Central Packard		80.57
94-0773-GA-BLN FirstEnergy - Edgewater		80.57
94-1778-EL-BLN OE - Beaver Johnson		1,654.08
00-0232-EL-BLN DP&L - Foster-Bath		4,551.95
00-2463-EL-BLN ATSI - Cairns Substation		67.50
01-1795-EL-BLN CSP - Zuber		73.35
01-3326-EL-BLN ATSI - Akron-Moore		3,956.32
02-2031-GA-BLN Dominion - Fairport		16,808.83
02-2100-EL-BLN AEP - Buckeye Parkway		548.61
02-2969-GA-BLN KNG Energy - Compression		10,460.72
02-3339-EL-BLN ATSI - Emily-Fox		1,419.27
02-3340-EL-BLN ATSI - Johnson-USS Kobe		2,212.28
02-3372-EL-BLN ATSI - Avondale Substation		723.11
02-3373-EL-BLN ATSI - Congress Substation		883.30
03-0016-EL-BLN ATSI - Brush Substation		2,488.30
03-0342-EL-BLN ATSI - Dana ASG Tech		1,756.63
03-0474-EL-BLN DP&L - Watkins Substation		5,463.01
03-1239-EL-BLN CSP - Centex Homes		2,020.78
03-1496-EL-BLN North Central - Risingsun		5,350.09
03-1557-EL-BLN CG&E - Seward Road		1,253.93
03-2182-EL-BLN AEP - Sawmill Substation		703.88

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Construction Notices

02-0720-GA-BNR Dominion	\$	485.38
02-1319-GA-BNR COH		223.06
02-2418-EL-BNR ATSI		1,030.59
02-2552-EL-BNR CG&E		323.85
02-3127-EL-BNR AEP		1,626.36
02-3161-GA-BNR COH		695.64
02-3203-EL-BNR CSP		1,189.87
02-3327-EL-BNR CSP		743.83
03-0256-EL-BNR AEP		836.88
03-0935-EL-BNR AEP		6,413.78
03-1212-GA-BNR COH		3,728.73
03-1425-GA-BNR COH		1,875.86
03-1485-EL-BNR CG&E		8,630.44
03-1499-EL-BNR ATSI		1,497.78
03-1747-EL-BNR CG&E		1,945.97
03-1918-EL-BNR CG&E		5,385.77
03-1992-EL-BNR ATSI		511.78
03-2216-GA-BNR CG&E		2,684.07

Miscellaneous Board Expenses

97-0645-GA-BIN Independence Pipeline Project		80.57
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Total Expenses	\$	282,346.28
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2003 Receipts

Generating Facilities

99-0996-EL-BGN DPL Energy - Greenville	\$	321.88
99-1705-EL-BGA DPL Energy - Tait		17,880.13
00-0100-EL-BGN DPL Energy - Lancaster		54,338.23
01-1527-EL-BGN DPC Northeast Power - Hyperion		1,281.35

Electric Transmission Facilities

99-0619-EL-BSB CSP - Orange Substation		63.90
01-2349-EL-BTX DPC Northeast Power - Fort Shawnee		884.34
02-2153-EL-BTX CSP - Davidson-Dublin		50,000.00
03-0132-EL-BTX EKPC - CCD 345 kV Interconnection		40,000.00

Gas Transmission Facilities

91-2085-GA-BTX Dominion - Ashtabula-Fairport		1,215.11
91-2086-GA-BTX Dominion - Ashtabula-Fairport		188.77
93-1049-GA-BTX DP&L - Derby-Tait		307.88
98-0282-GA-BTX Matrix - AK Steel		659.41
02-1124-GA-BTX Dominion - Ashtabula-Fairport		7,798.78
02-1350-GA-BTA CG&E - C-314		1,632.88

Letters of Notification

00-0232-EL-BLN DP&L - Foster-Bath		15,227.39
00-2463-EL-BLN ATSI - Cairns Substation		589.63
01-0202-EL-BLN ATSI - Akron-Moore		478.74
01-0254-EL-BLN ATSI - Cleveland Hopkins Airport		768.51
01-0348-EL-BLN ATSI - Bay Shore #2		588.88
01-1172-EL-BLN OP - Rolling Hills		1,285.58

01-1308-EL-BLN OP - Hanging Rock	\$	776.79
01-1795-EL-BLN CSP - Zuber		227.46
01-2081-EL-BLN AEP - Blacklick		858.23
01-2563-EL-BLN OP - Dresden		928.59
01-2665-EL-BLN CSP - Bixby-Corridor 345 kV		4,177.90
01-2865-EL-BLN ATSI - Chrysler-Maclean		353.60
02-0154-EL-BLN ATSI - Babb-East Akron		818.27
02-0160-EL-BLN ATSI - Bellepoint		278.99
02-0198-EL-BLN ATSI - Nordonia		506.80
02-1241-EL-BLN ATSI - Airpark		662.70

Construction Notices

00-1071-EL-BNR FirstEnergy		488.50
00-2207-GA-BNR DPL Energy		243.61
01-1686-EL-BNR ATSI		6,721.43
01-2627-EL-BLR AEP		1,255.46
01-2730-EL-BNR AEP		1,813.44
02-0033-EL-BNR AEP		271.97
02-0226-EL-BNR ATSI		1,336.46
02-0720-GA-BNR Dominion		5,172.45
02-0980-GA-BNR CG&E		1,919.92
02-1319-GA-BNR COH		581.13
02-1353-GA-BNR COH		7,747.77
02-2553-EL-BNR CG&E		1,155.04
02-3161-GA-BNR COH		940.98

Total Receipts

\$234,748.88

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