

March 1, 2011

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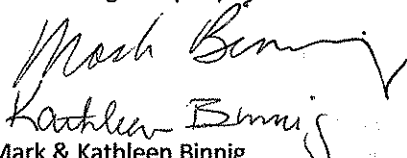
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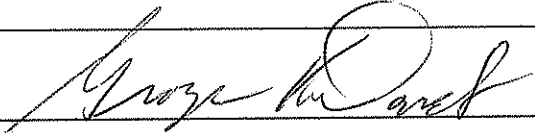
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Re: Mailing List for Ohio EPA ID # 093580

To Whom It May Concern,

Montville Township in Geauga County Ohio is requesting to be put on the mailing list for the application for a Clean Water Act Section 401 water quality certification in regards to the 138 kV overhead electric transmission line that will run from Mayfield Road to Stocking Road.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Montville Township Trustees  
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**Edward J. Davet**

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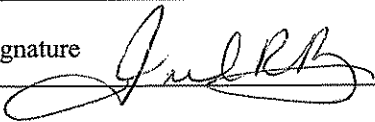
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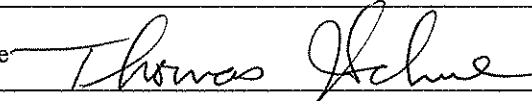
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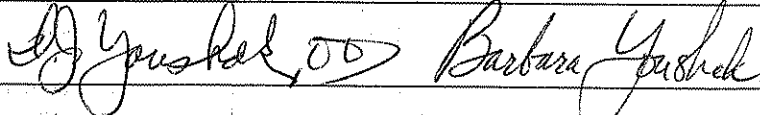
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March 9, 2011

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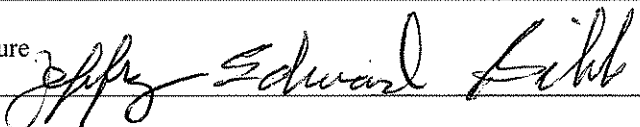
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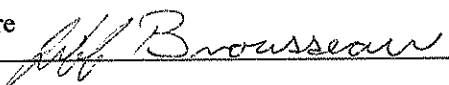
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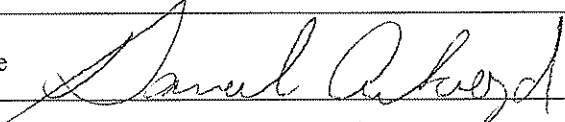
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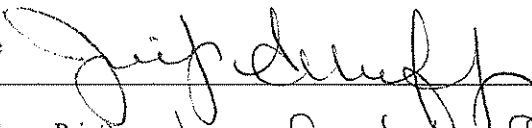
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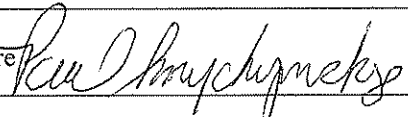
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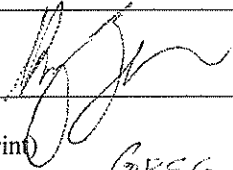
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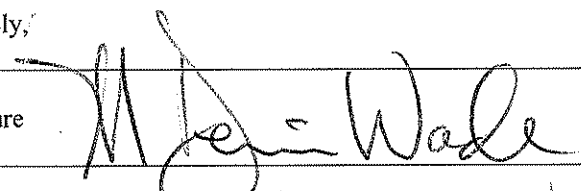
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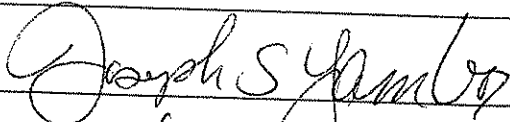
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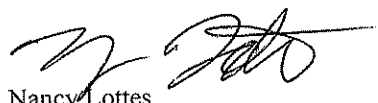
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If a small independent operation can go to the effort of protecting our water, I'm sure that CEI and ATS can find some way to resolve this problem without degrading the water. The cheapest and easiest way isn't always the right way.

Thank you and don't let them do this.

Dan Garey  
15787 Thompson Rd.  
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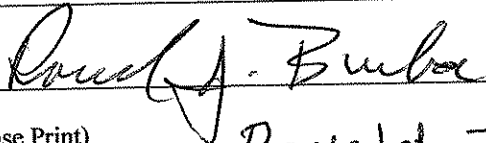
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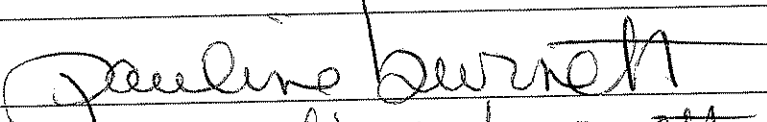
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*Rachel McKinney*

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 Thank you.

*Rachel McKinney*  
 3/7/11

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| Signature <i>Rachel McKinney</i>           |   | Date <i>3/7/11</i> |
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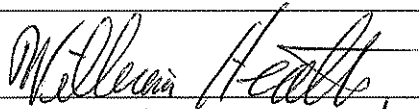
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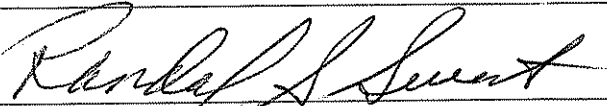
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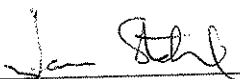
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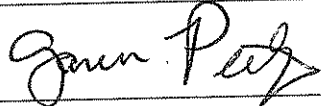
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EPA Project 093580

Please put me on the mailing list for this project.

In Thompson, where I own property, this project threatens pristine streams through woods that have never been clear cut.

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RE: OHIO EPA PROJECT ID 093580 401 CERTIFICATION, GEAUGA CO.

To whom it concerns,

This letter shall serve as my response to the Public Notice for the subject project. I hereby request the following: 1. to be added to the Ohio EPA's interested parties mailing list for the subject project, 2. request a public hearing within the geographical area of the project, and 3. submit these written comments for the Ohio EPA's consideration in reviewing the 401 application by CEI and ATSI (here on referred to as Applicant):

According to the Public Notice, three alternatives were provided by the Applicant in their 401 application: A "Preferred Design", a "Minimum Degradation Alternative" and a "Non-Degradation Design". The Applicant states the "Preferred" and "Minimum Alternative Designs" are those routes applied for with the Ohio Power Siting Board, but offer NO "Non-Degradation Design" other than to "not construct the Project".

The application states that "Potential routes for the Project were identified, analyzed, scored, and ranked to facilitate the selection of a Preferred Route and Alternate Route ... The objective of the route selection study was to identify routes that *minimize* the overall impacts to the *community* and the *environment*, while taking into account the *engineering and construction needs* of the Project." Individual route segments were scored with a number system based on the above factors as routes were considered. My concern with this is that the "scoring system" is not subjective because it was designed by FirstEnergy (CEI & ATSI/Applicant) with no oversight on how much to weigh *community* verses *environment* verses *construction needs*. Any route can be made to rise to the top when you control your own scoring system and it is likely that the route selection was cost driven.

I realize that the ONLY concern of the Ohio EPA-DSW is the potential impact of the routes on the environment. Therefore, please consider the following when reviewing the application.

Testimony was given during the OPSB public and ajudecatory hearings (docketed under case #07-0171-EL-BTX) that other "Non-Degradation Alternatives" DO exist. FirstEnergy has already placed 85' wooden poles on route 322 east of route 608 in East Claridon for the purpose of increasing the transmission voltage along the Chesterland to Orwell corridor. In the same hearings, potential low or non-degradation alternatives were shown along the B&O railroad right-of-way between Chardon and East Claridon, and along Route 11 - all of which are public corridors which have already been impacted environmentally. Additionally, in the unsolicited testimony docketed on September 22, 2008 by electrical engineer Robert Takacs "big companies make big mistakes" as he outlined a study by URS Corporation that "identified and evaluated a corridor in Ashtabula and Trumbull counties that could extend ATSI's existing circuits ... and had a technical potential to address the need for the project". He further testified "High level

species or their identified habitat". Will this be an environmental specialist from the Ohio EPA-DSW?

Conditions of the OPSB Certificate to build use "to the extent practicable" as language to control the impact to streams, storm water control, deposition of construction materials, etc. Who has jurisdiction over "to the extent practicable"? What is practicable to the Ohio EPA-DSW and the landowners of 92 Geauga County properties is probably quite different from construction subcontractors. Am I to believe that a subcontractor will check all 14 miles of silt fence every time it rains more than one-half inch in 24 hours?

At the public hearing in Huntsburg on September 19, 2008 my late father, Chalmers Bennett, asked the question "Who will speak for the land?" It was a quote from the book, *Aldo Leopold and the Ecological Conscience* by Richard L. Knight and Suzanne Riedel, in which we are reminded that, "In conversations about public and private lands, it is appropriate to ask: Who speaks for the land? Who are its advocates? Who sees the land as an entity not only to own, but also to belong to? Who recognizes that along with ownership of the land comes responsibility to both the human and natural communities?"

I now ask the question "Who will speak for the water?" I can only hope that this mandated responsibility is taken seriously by the EPA-DSW in their consideration of the proposed 401 application for the subject project. I look forward to further discussion at the public hearing.

Please advise.

Respectfully,



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Dear Ms. Wissman:

**Standard Application  
Rachel 138 kV Transmission Line Project  
Case No. 95-600-EL-BTX**

At the Ohio Power Siting Board's (OPSB) August 1998 meeting, FirstEnergy (FE) conducted a presentation that described an alternative strategy implemented in stages that had the potential to indefinitely defer the need to construct the subject project. The three main reasons to construct the Rachel Project were to provide voltage support, to improve system reliability, and to provide for future load capacity.

The initial stage of the alternative strategy consisted of reliability improvements and the installation of voltage control equipment. After completing the initial stage of the alternative strategy, an ongoing effort was established for local monitoring of the transmission supply, and for periodic meetings with area industrial customers on load growth and power quality issues. As an outgrowth of the OPSB presentation, FE was requested to provide the OPSB Staff periodic summaries of customer meetings and implementation status.

On December 9, 1998, FE representatives provided an update the Middlefield Industrial Group meeting concerning power quality monitoring and load growth issues in the area. Also in attendance were two members of the OPSB Staff; Leon Winget and Diane Dewell. A synopsis of the meeting is provided as an attachment to this submittal. In summary, the implementation of the initial phase of the alternative strategy appears adequate for the present and short-term future. With the use of additional available capacity at Sanborn Substation, this strategy also appears adequate as a potential long-range solution depending on the nature and timing of area/regional load growth issues. FE plans to monitor power supply needs of the area electrical system in the near-term. At this time, however, FE cannot rule out a future need to construct the Rachel 138 kV Transmission Line Project.

Current plans are to update the Middlefield Industrial Group three or four times a year. FE will continue to provide periodic updates for the OPSB Staff. We request this submittal be docketed in the Rachel 138 kV Transmission Project File, OPSB Case Number 95-600-EL-BTX. Included is an extra copy of this transmittal we request be time-stamped and returned in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

If there are any questions concerning this matter, please call me at (330) 384-4982.

Sincerely,  
*Gavin L. Cunningham*  
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**Middlefield Industrial Group Meeting**  
**Rachel Alternative Strategy Update**

In attendance at the meeting were representatives from Johnson Rubber, Mercury Plastics, Bicron, Dillen Products, Polychem Dispersions, Kraftmaid Cabinetry, Carlisle Engineered Products, Gold Key Processing, Jaco Products, and Great Lake Cheese.

The meeting agenda covered two topics as follows:

1. Available Capacity for Future Load Growth
2. Power Quality Monitoring

The following is a summary of FirstEnergy's (FE) update presentation.

**Future Load Growth Capacity**

An analysis was conducted of area capacity to handle future load growth without construction of the Rachel Project. Three long-term load projections were presented; a normal load growth based on area historical trend of 1.75%, double normal load growth at 3.5%, and a middle load growth of 2.7%. These load projections were then studied to determine the year when the area load doubles. A doubling of the area load occurred in 2044 for the normal load growth rate of 1.75 %; in 2036 for a middle load growth rate of 2.7%; and in 2028 for a double historic load growth rate of 3.5%.

The ability of the area system to accommodate future load growth was then studied. The peak load experienced in the subject area for 1998 was 84 MVA. Two substations, Mayfield and Sanborn, have the ability to provide electrical service to the area with their combined circuit capacity being approximately 200 MVA. However, some system changes will be necessary to prevent line equipment overloads and voltage problems due to future load growth. Relocation of one set of line regulators, addition of two new sets of line regulators, and reconductoring of an existing 36 kV circuit are all steps that would prevent line equipment overloads and provide continued voltage stability in the area.

Given the largest growth case scenario of a 3.5 % area load growth rate, the area system is adequate to serve double the current load of 84 MVA through 2028, or for 30 years. In addition, the total circuit capacity of 200 MVA under the worst case scenario would not be exceeded until 2039, or for 40 years. Attached is a load projection chart entitled "Area Load vs. Circuit Capacity" which contains details of the three load growth scenarios mentioned previously.

*Middlefield Industrial Group Meeting*  
*Rachel Alternative Strategy Update*

**Power Quality Monitoring**

**Previous Activities**

Power quality issues of most importance to the Middlefield Industrial Group were voltage stability and reliability of service. An extensive line clearing program was instituted to address reliability concerns. To date, \$2.5M has been expended on tree removal and trimming on the circuits in the Middlefield and Ashtabula areas. Efforts continue on tree removal and trimming on the 36 kV lines in the area west of Middlefield. Voltage stability centered on low voltage during on-peak periods and high voltage during off-peak periods. Line regulators were installed on the 36 kV circuits to provide needed voltage stability.

As a result of the efforts outlined previously, the Middlefield Industrial Group has reported improved reliability and voltage stability over previous local system operating experience. Voltage has been maintained within the 2% regulator bandwidth since July 1998, and fewer power interruptions have been experienced compared to the same time period a year earlier.

**Future Activities**

To monitor power quality in the future, PQ node monitors were installed at selected industrial customers within the area. PQ node monitors were installed at Johnson Rubber, Dillen Products, and Sajar Plastics. Though not currently operational, a PQ node was also installed at Mercury Plastics. Power quality data will continue to be gathered from these nodes and the results reported to the Middlefield Industrial Group.

**Summary**

The Middlefield Industrial Group concluded the meeting by stating the group's goals as follows:

1. Power capacity needed for long-term growth
2. Reliable and quality power
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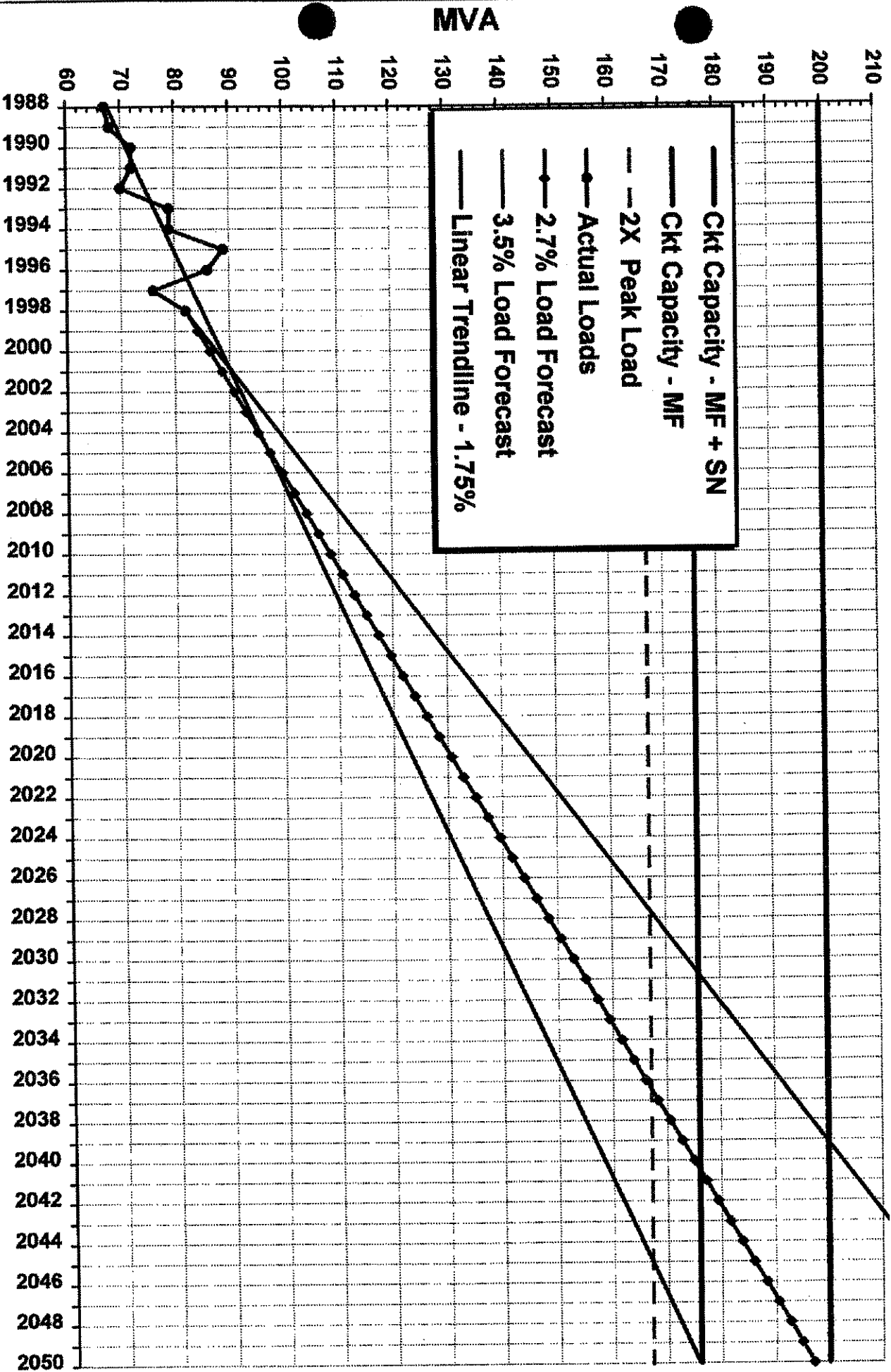
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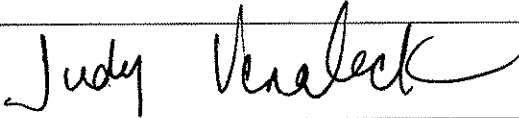
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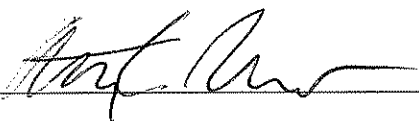
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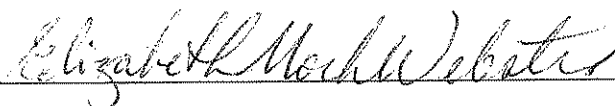
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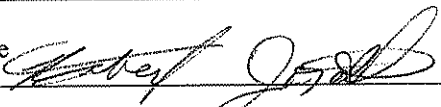
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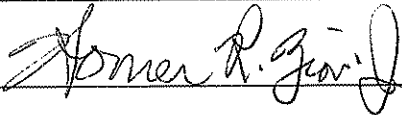
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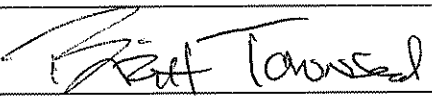
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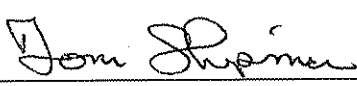
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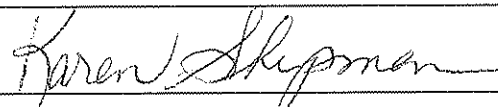
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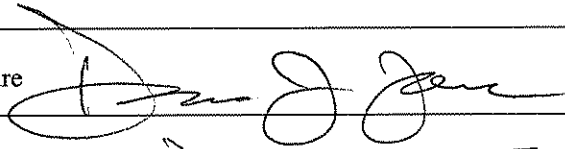
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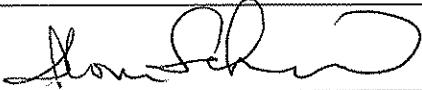
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