October 7, 2025

PJM 2750 Monroe Blvd Audobon, PA 19403

Subject: PJM Pre-qualification form for The Dayton Power & Light Company d.b.a. AES Ohio

Dear PJM,

We appreciate the opportunity to submit the PJM Pre-qualification Form on behalf of The Dayton Power & Light Company, d.b.a. AES Ohio. As a trusted transmission member within the PJM region, AES Ohio is committed to delivering reliable, efficient, and safe electric service through its extensive transmission network. This application outlines our company's technical qualifications, infrastructure, and proven experience in developing, constructing, maintaining, and operating transmission facilities, demonstrating our ongoing dedication to industry standards and regulatory compliance.

1. Name and address of the entity, including a point of contact;

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 Technical and engineering qualifications of the entity or its affiliate, partner or parent company;

Core Capabilities and Infrastructure - The Dayton Power and Light Company, d.b.a. AES Ohio, is an existing PJM Transmission owner, maintaining a robust transmission infrastructure that includes:

- 310 miles of 345 kV, 380 miles of 138 kV, and 990 miles of 69 kV subtransmission network.
- 3. Demonstrated experience of the entity or its affiliate, partner or parent company to develop, construct, maintain and operate transmission facilities, including a list or other evidence of transmission facilities previously developed regarding construction, maintenance or operation of transmission facilities both inside and outside the PJM region;



Parent company AES also owns Indianapolis Power and Light Company d.b.a as AES IN, a MISO Transmission owner.

- Recent Dayton zone upgrades include:
  - EHV equipment installations at West Milton, Peoria, Bath, Miami, Hutchings, and Sugarcreek substations.
  - Transmission line projects such as Bath-Trebein 138kV, West Milton-Miami 138kV, and multiple 345kV and 69kV system upgrades.
- 4. Previous record of the entity or its affiliate, partner or parent company to adhere to construction, maintenance and operating standards.
  - AES Ohio has earned high ratings for NERC compliance, including cybersecurity and PJM TO/TOP audits.
  - Safety is a top priority, exemplified by initiatives like drone inspections
- 5. Capability of the entity or its affiliate, partner or parent company to adhere to standardized construction, maintenance and operating practices

AES Ohio has internal engineering teams and contracted industry-leading firms for transmission line and substation design.

Approved engineering design contractors include:

• Burns & McDonnell, Commonwealth & Associates, Enercon Services, and Power Engineers.

Substation design and protection/control contractors include:

- Sargent & Lundy, Qualus, and Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories.
- 6. Financial statements of the entity or its affiliate, partner or parent company for the most recent fiscal quarter, as well as the most recent three fiscal years, or the period of the entity's existence, if shorter, or such other evidence demonstrating an entity's or its affiliates, partner's or parent company's current and expected financial capability acceptable to PJM.

The following links are Dayton's most recent quarterly and the last 3 years as reported the SEC:

https://www.sec.gov/ix?doc=/Archives/edgar/data/0000787250/00007872502500 0028/dpl-20250630.htm



https://www.sec.gov/ix?doc=/Archives/edgar/data/0000787250/00007872502500 0012/dpl-20241231.htm

https://www.sec.gov/ix?doc=/Archives/edgar/data/0000787250/00007872502400 0006/dpl-20231231.htm

https://www.sec.gov/ix?doc=/Archives/edgar/data/0000787250/00007872502300 0006/dpl-20221231.htm

7. Commitment by the entity to execute the Consolidated Transmission Owners Agreement, if the entity becomes a Designated Entity;

Dayton Power and Light is already a signatory. A signatory to CTOA since 2004.

8. Evidence demonstrating the ability of the entity or its affiliate, partner or parent company to address and timely remedy failure of facilities;

Tornado Recovery (May 27, 2019). Following a devastating tornado event that struck the Dayton area:

 AES Ohio's engineering and operational crews rapidly rebuilt damaged transmission infrastructure.

The company's comprehensive efforts ensured the ongoing reliability of the bulk power system throughout the crisis.

• This earned AES Ohio recognition from the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) for exceptional restoration performance.

Hurricane Helene Aftermath (September 2024)

- AES Ohio restored power to 93% of affected customers within two days, deploying 635 employees and contractors.
- The company aimed to reach 95% restoration by day three, showcasing its ability to mobilize resources quickly and effectively.
- 9. Description of the experience of the entity or its affiliate, partner or parent company in acquiring rights of way; and

AES Ohio follows a structured and community-sensitive approach to acquiring rights of way:

 Route Evaluation: Potential transmission routes are evaluated to minimize impact on property owners.



- Landowner Outreach: Once a preferred route is identified, AES Ohio's rightof-way (ROW) representatives contact affected landowners to discuss the route and negotiate easements.
- Easement Agreements: AES Ohio requests legal easements that define
  where transmission lines will be located. These agreements allow AES Ohio
  to construct and maintain transmission infrastructure while permitting
  landowners to continue compatible uses of their property.
- AES Ohio partners with firms like POWER Engineers, which have deep expertise in environmental permitting, stakeholder engagement, and regulatory compliance. These partners assist in preparing wetland delineation reports, endangered species assessments, and stormwater pollution prevention plans—critical components of ROW acquisition for transmission projects.

The interconnection of large loads, such as the LG Energy Solution and Honda EV Battery Plant, required AES Ohio to acquire ROW and real estate under tight timelines. This example illustrates the complexity and scale of ROW acquisition for high-impact transmission projects.

10. Any other supporting information that PJM requires to determine the entity's prequalification status including, but not limited to, the execution of a Non-Disclosure Agreement to protect sensitive discussions as may occur between proposing entities and PJM.

AES Ohio appreciates PJM's consideration of this pre-qualification application and stands ready to support the region's transmission needs with proven expertise, strong partnerships, and a commitment to transparency and collaboration. We welcome the opportunity to further discuss our qualifications and are prepared to execute any necessary agreements, including a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA), to ensure the protection of sensitive information and to facilitate secure and productive engagement throughout the evaluation process.

Sincerely,

Matt Fields

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