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#### VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

M. Lynn Jarvis, Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 4325 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4325

### RE: Duke Energy Progress, LLC Late-Filed Exhibits Docket No. E-2, Sub 1150

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

I enclose two late-filed exhibits on behalf of Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP") for filing in connection with the referenced matter:

- DEP Late-Filed Exhibit No. 1 Evaluation of 230kV Transmission Line Route to Parallel Existing 500kV Transmission Line
- DEP Late-Filed Exhibit No. 2 A cost comparison of the four best-scored alternative routes.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please let me know.

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Lawrence B. Somers

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record

Nov 13 2017

Date: November 8, 2017

To: Tim Same, Duke Energy Progress

From: Tim Barton, Burns & McDonnell

Subject: Duke Energy Progress: Cleveland-Matthews Road 500kV Parallel Options

At the request of the North Carolina Utilities Commission (NCUC), Burns & McDonnell revisited and further documented options for paralleling the existing Cumberland-Wake 500kV transmission line, as a route alternative for the Cleveland-Matthews Road 230kV Transmission Tap Line Project. The existing 500kV transmission line is located within a 180-foot wide easement. To accommodate a new 230kV transmission line, an additional 82.5 feet of easement would be required, adjacent to the current easement.

Route options were evaluated that paralleled both the east and west side of the 500kV right-ofway. Routes were also segregated as either north or south of where route segment 1 (as identified in the *Routing Study and Environmental Report*) crosses the 500kV corridor. Route segment 1 is approximately 3.1 miles from the proposed Matthews Road substation to the 500kV corridor.

Aerial photography was reviewed for route options that paralleled the 500kV corridor and homes, apartments and businesses were identified within the easement required for the 230kV transmission line. For the northern route, due to the density of development adjacent to the areas where these structures were identified, there were not feasible route variations that would easily avoid these constraint areas. For the southern routes, there are a few constraint areas that could potentially be avoided but would require the new transmission line to diverge from the existing corridor which would add additional length, impacts to additional landowners, and require crossing under the existing 500kV multiple times. Crossing the 500kV line would require modifications to the existing 500kV structures which would be additional cost beyond just the construction of the 230kV line. The locations of the structures identified in this analysis are provided on figures attached to this memo. Tables 1 and 2 below provide the number of these structures that occur within the right-of-way, along with the length of the transmission required to support the tap line project, segregated by the two northern routes and two southern routes respectively. The route options would all be longer than the Cleveland-Matthews Road preferred route option at 11.5 miles. Both the northern route options are approximately 2.5 miles longer and the southern route options are approximately 8 miles longer, than the preferred route.

East Side					
Houses	38				
Apartments	0				
Businesses	0				
Route Length	13.98 miles				
West Side					
Houses	43				
Apartments	8 (est. 24 units)				
Businesses	3				
Route Length	14.02 miles				

## Table 1: Structures by Type Located Within the Right-of-Way for the Northern Routes

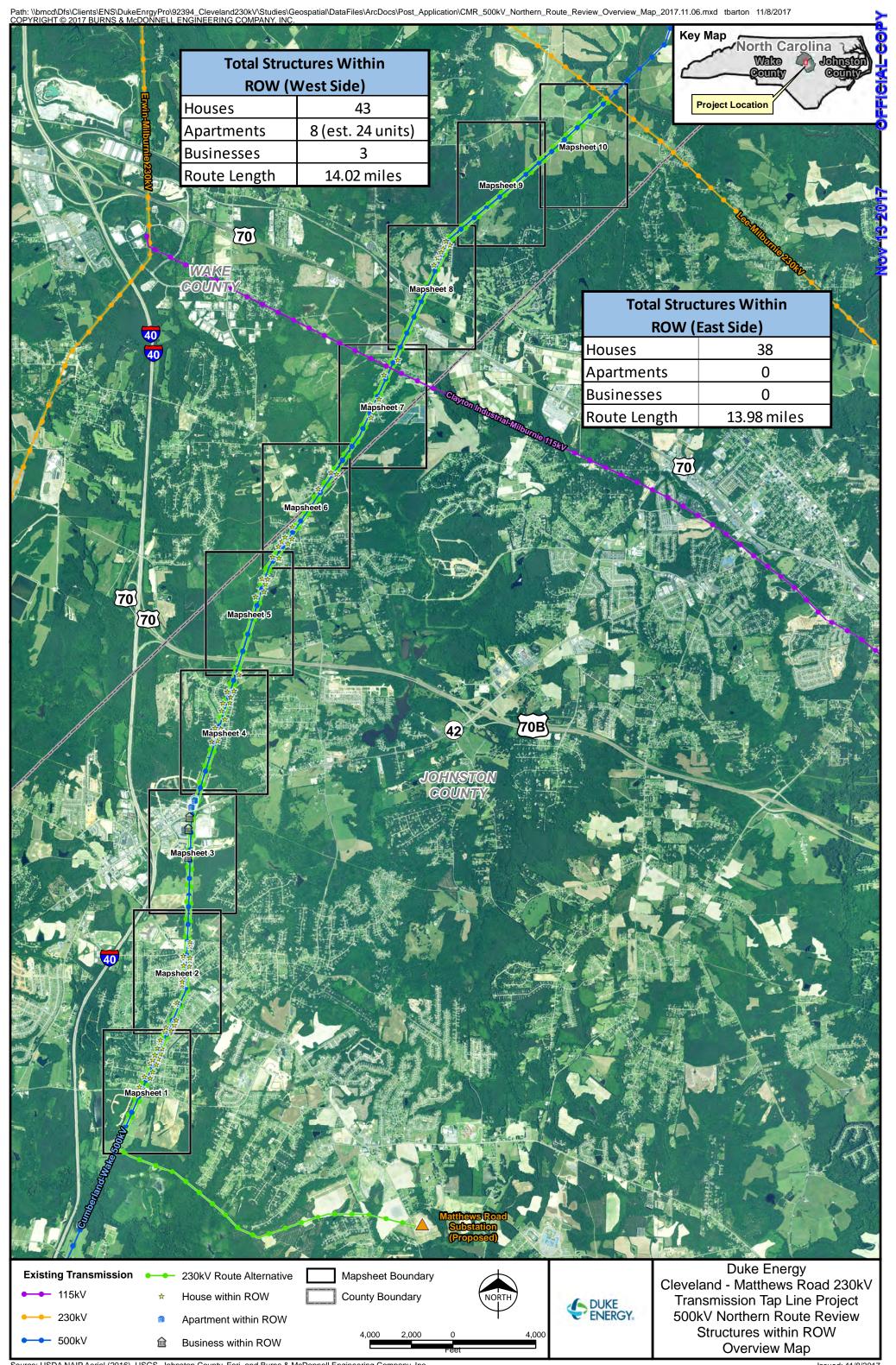
Table 2: Structures by Type Located Within the Right-of-Way for the Southern Routes

East Side					
Houses	17				
Apartments	0				
Businesses	0				
Route Length	19.45 miles				
West Side					
Houses	11				
Apartments	0				
Businesses	0				
Route Length	19.55 miles				

In conclusion, due to the significant number of homes, apartments and businesses that would be within a potential right-of-way and would require relocation to accommodate a new 230kV transmission line adjacent to the existing 500kV transmission line, including the additional length of transmission line, we do not think this is a feasible option for the Cleveland-Matthews Road Tap Line Project. Because a route alternative is not feasible, a cost estimate was also not completed by DEP Engineering.

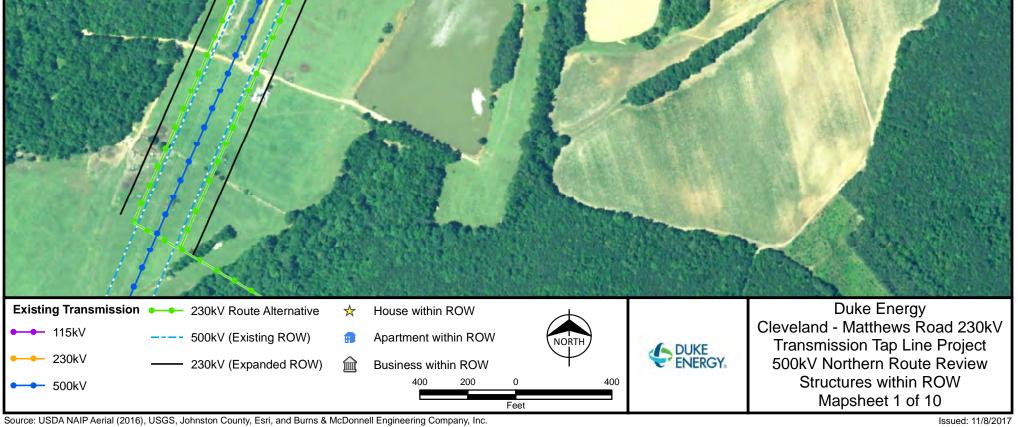
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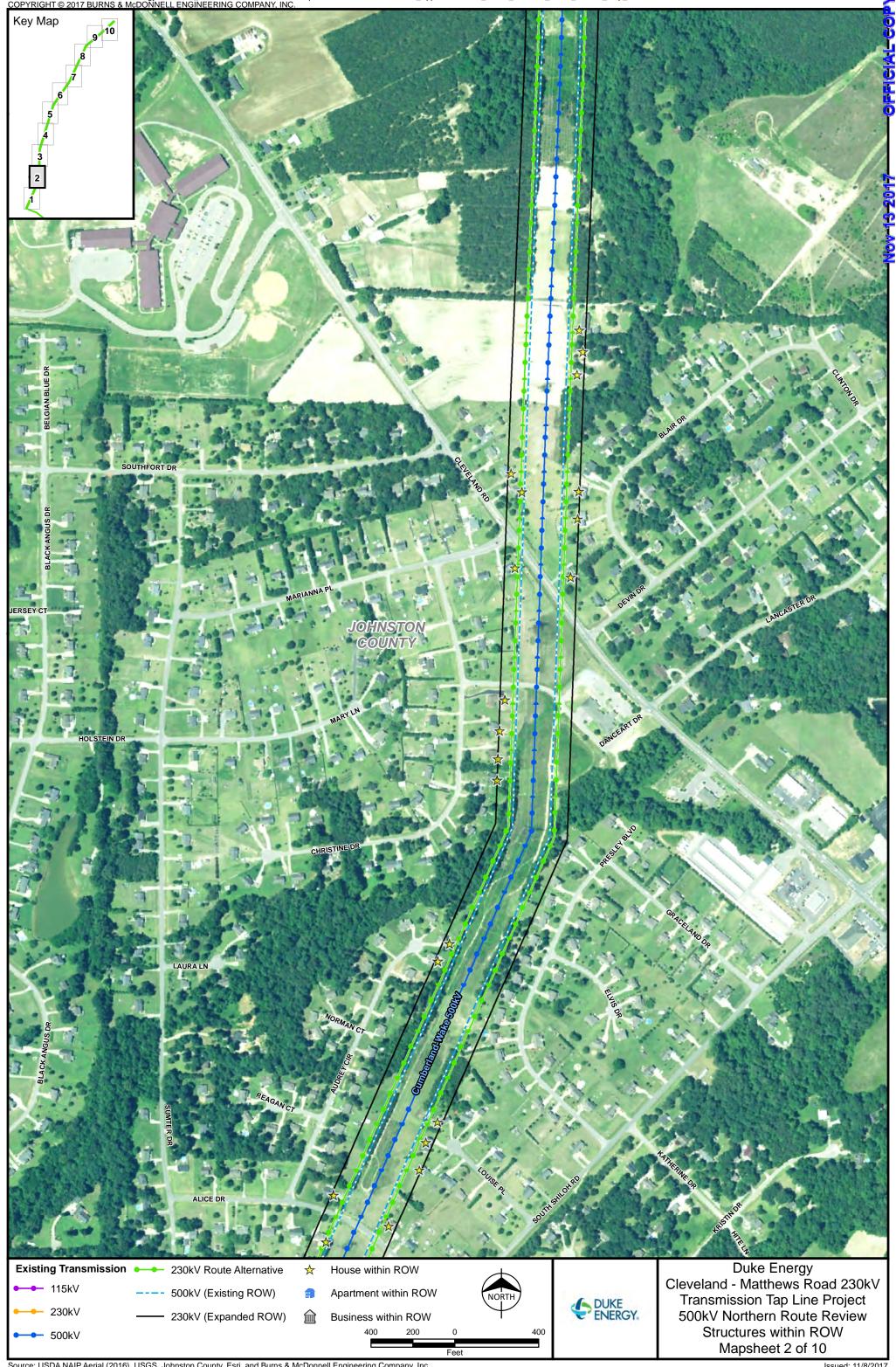


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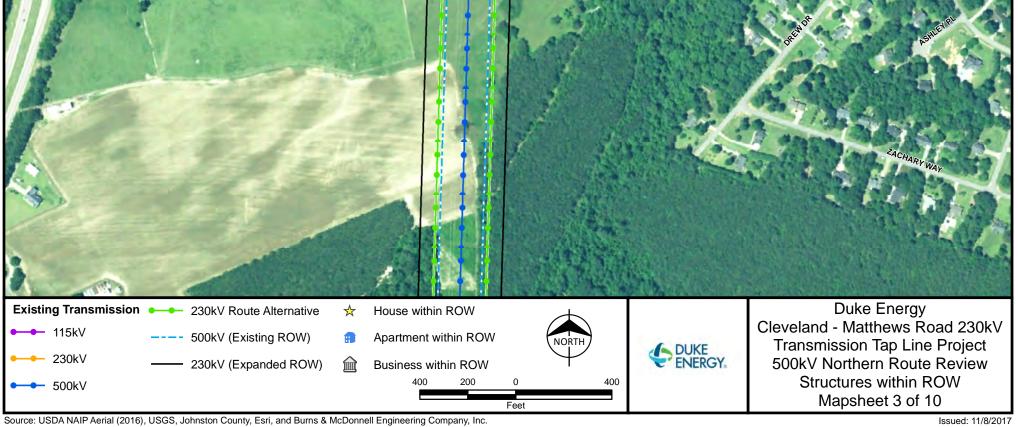


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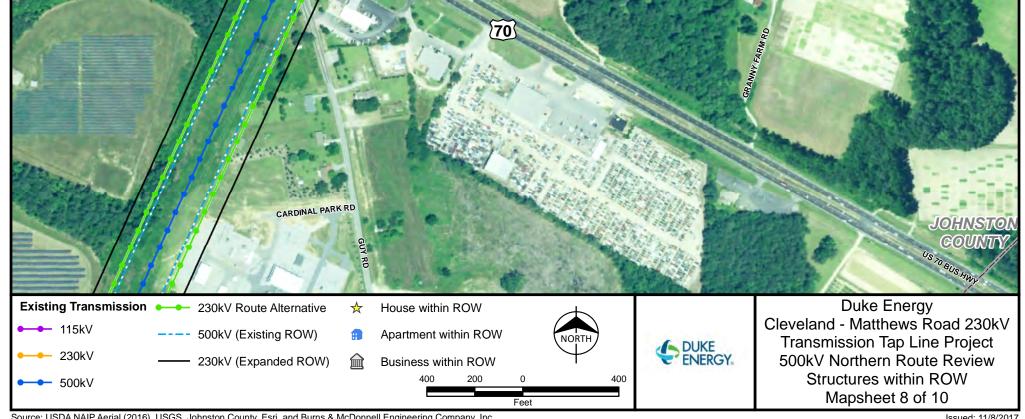








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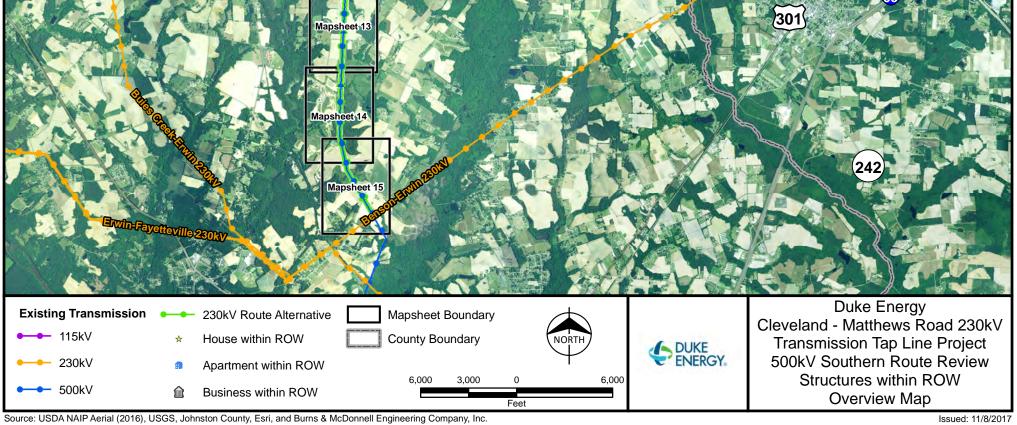


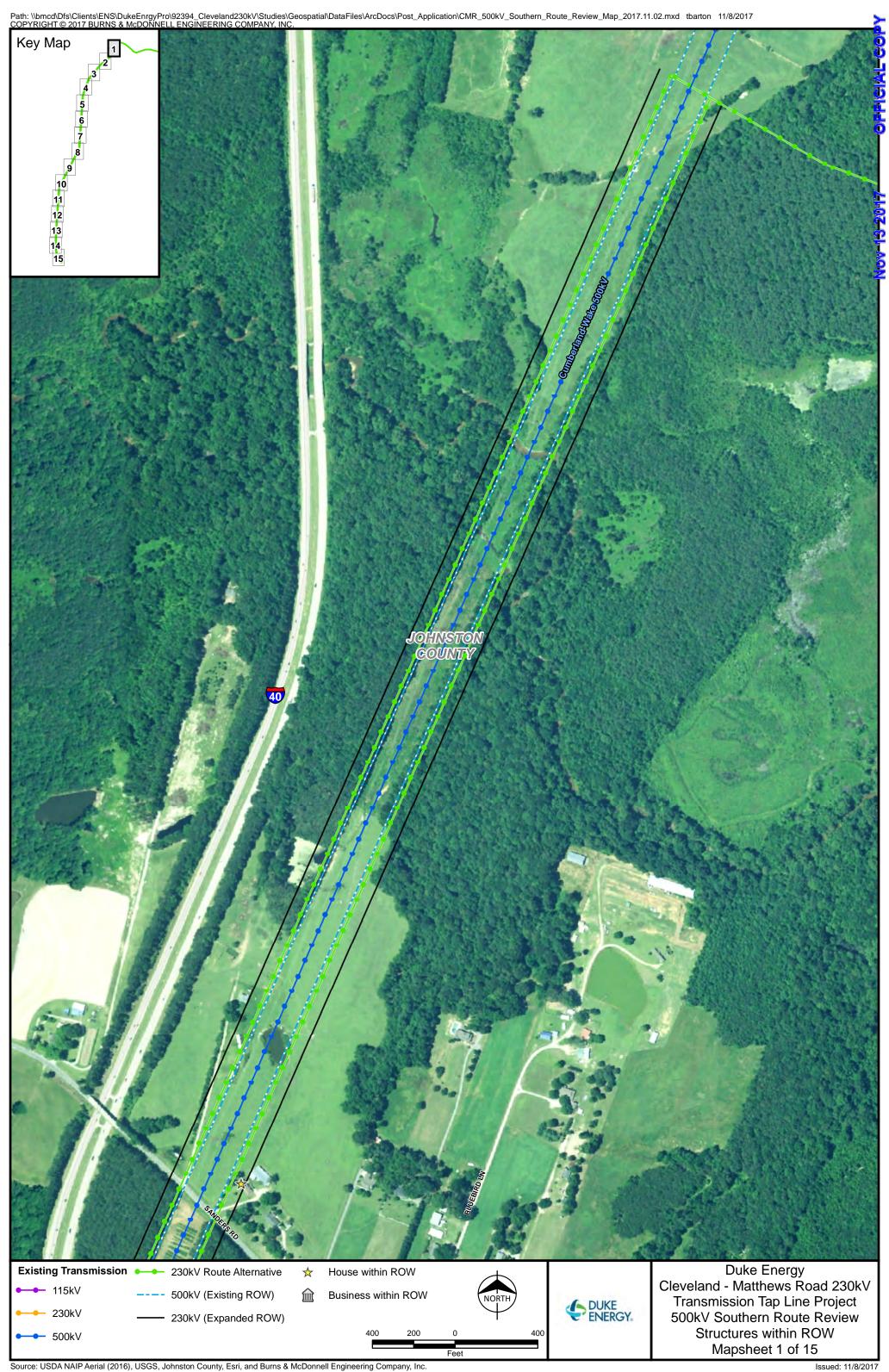
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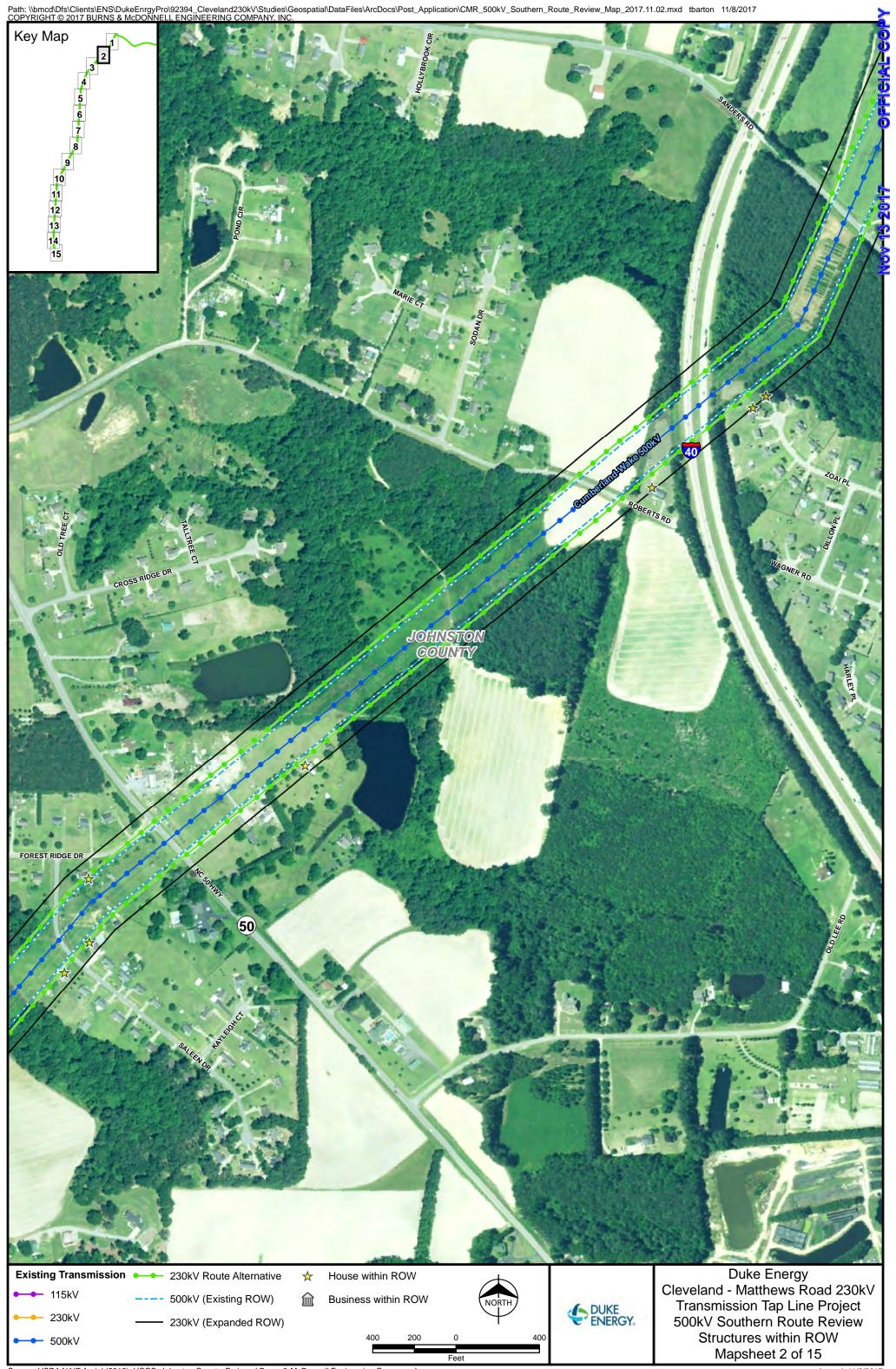




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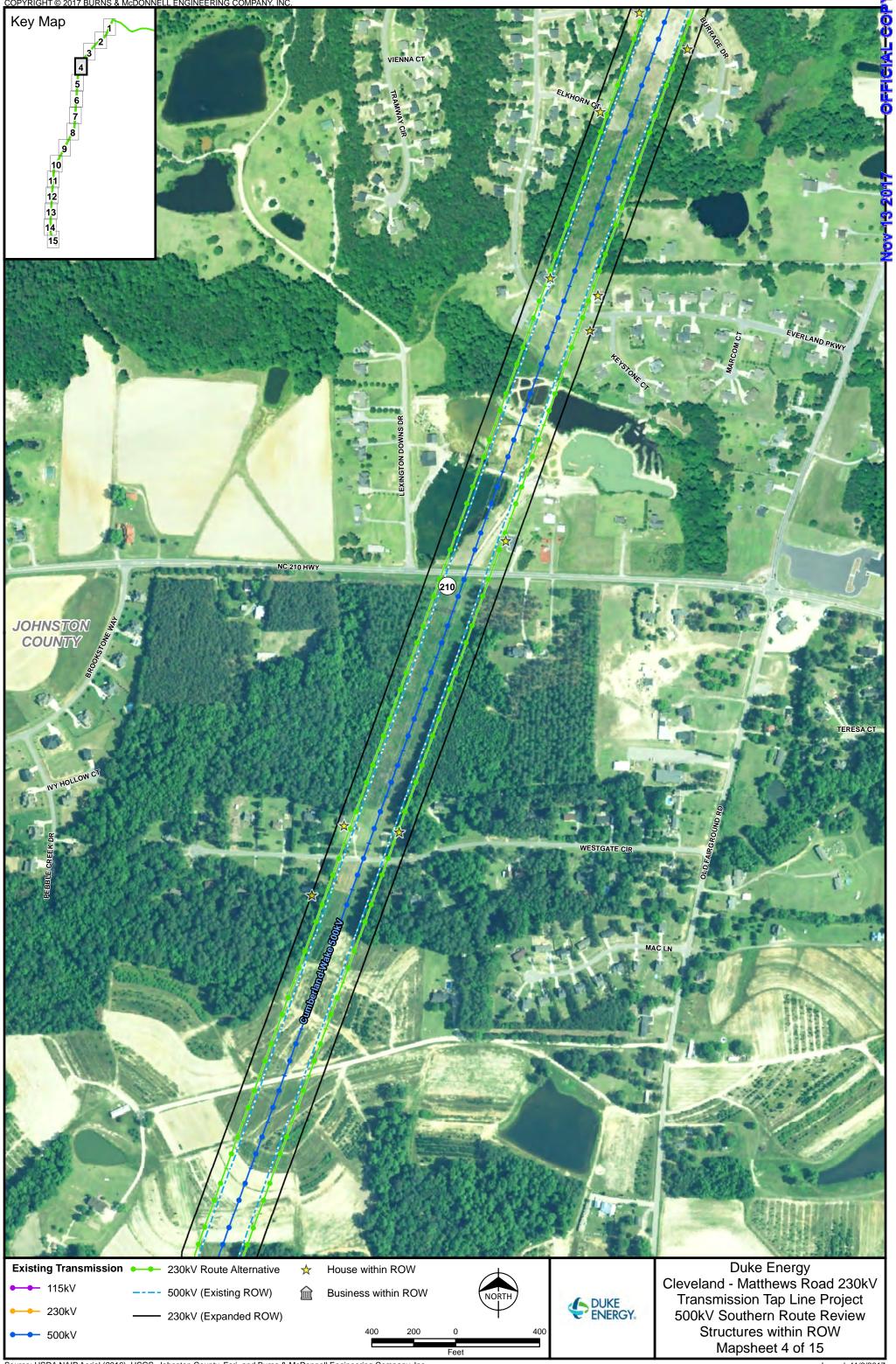




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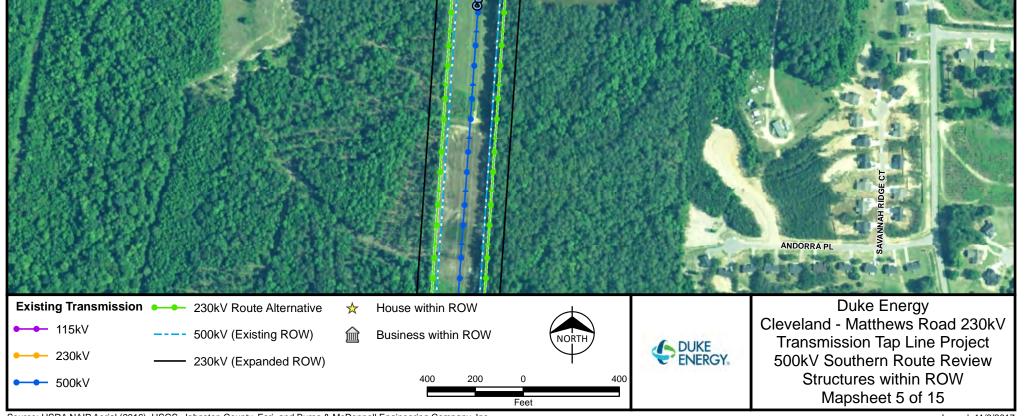
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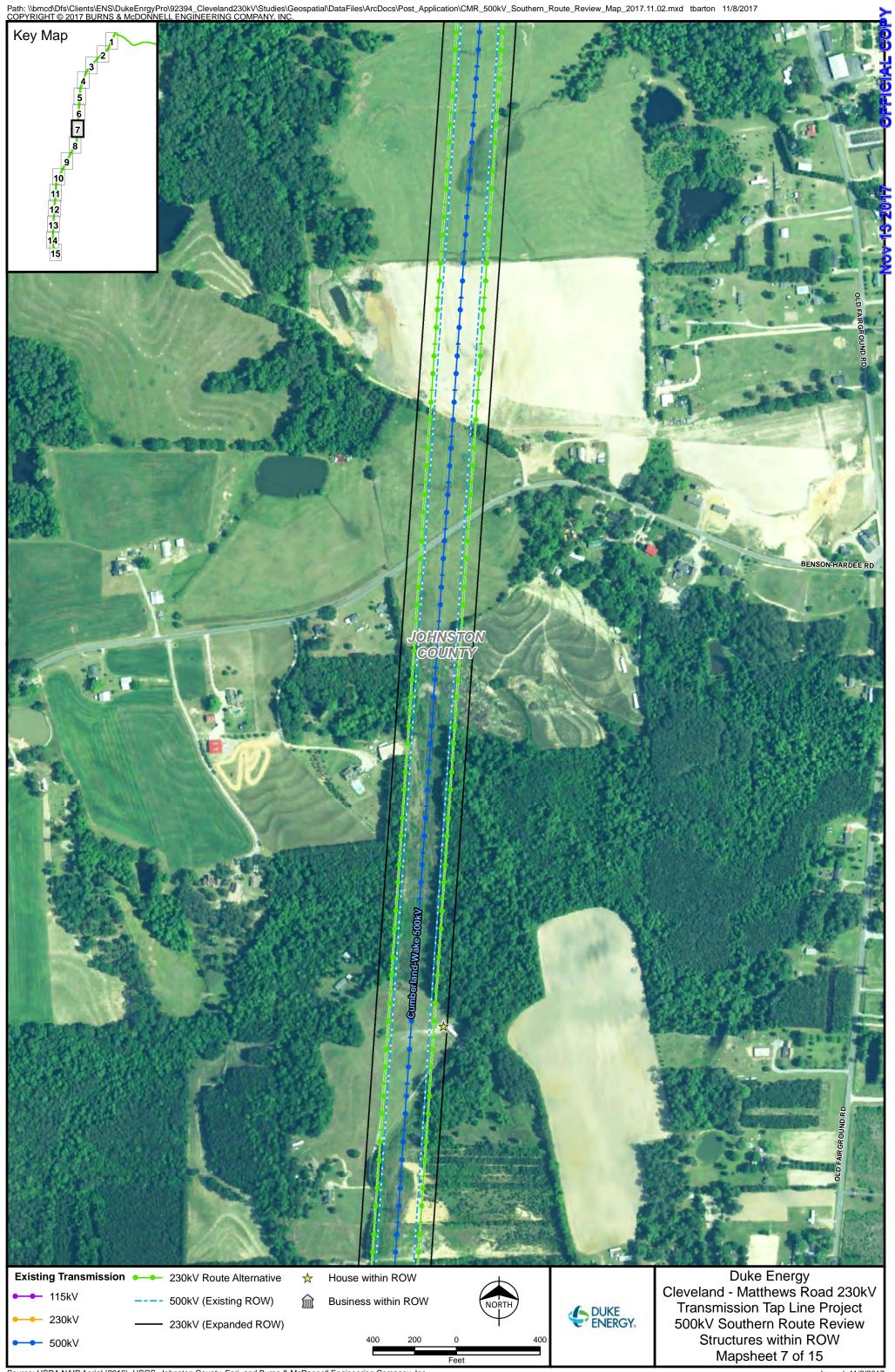
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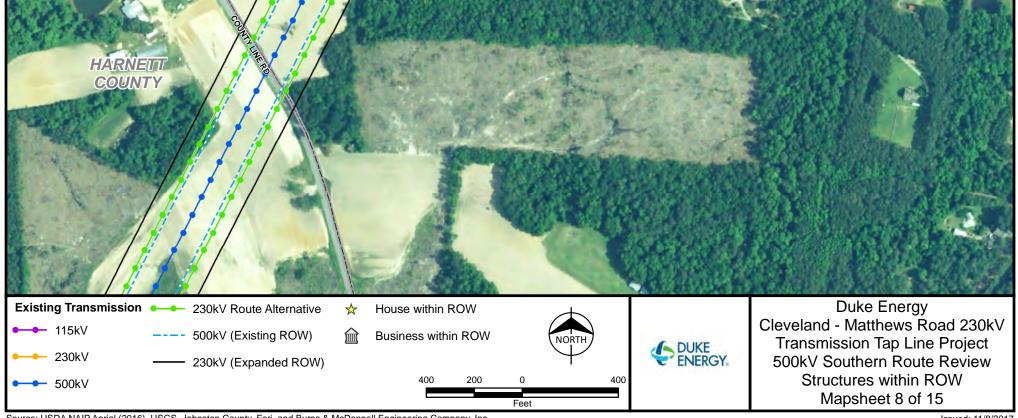


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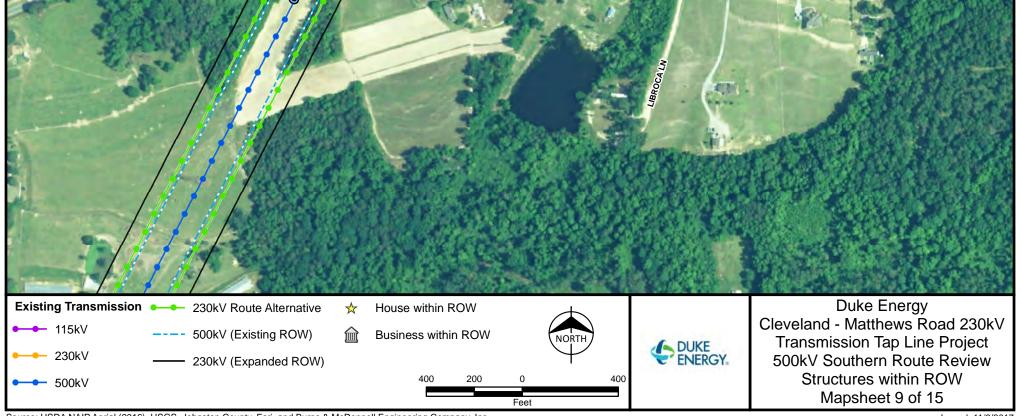


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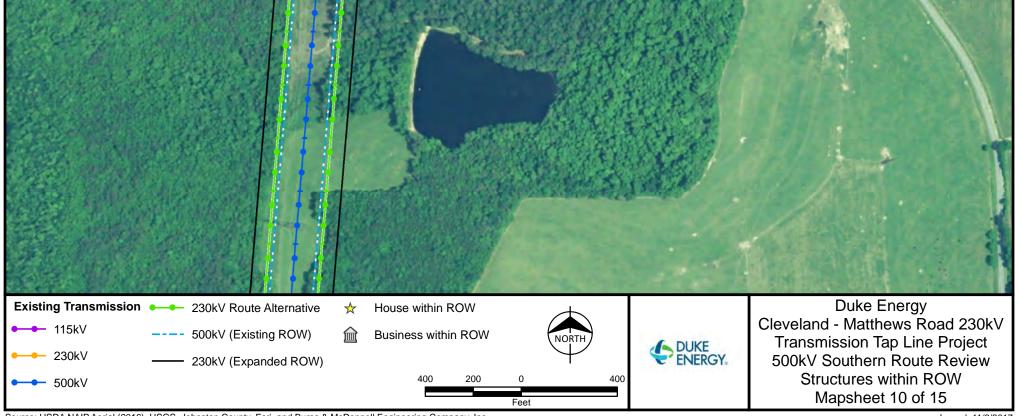
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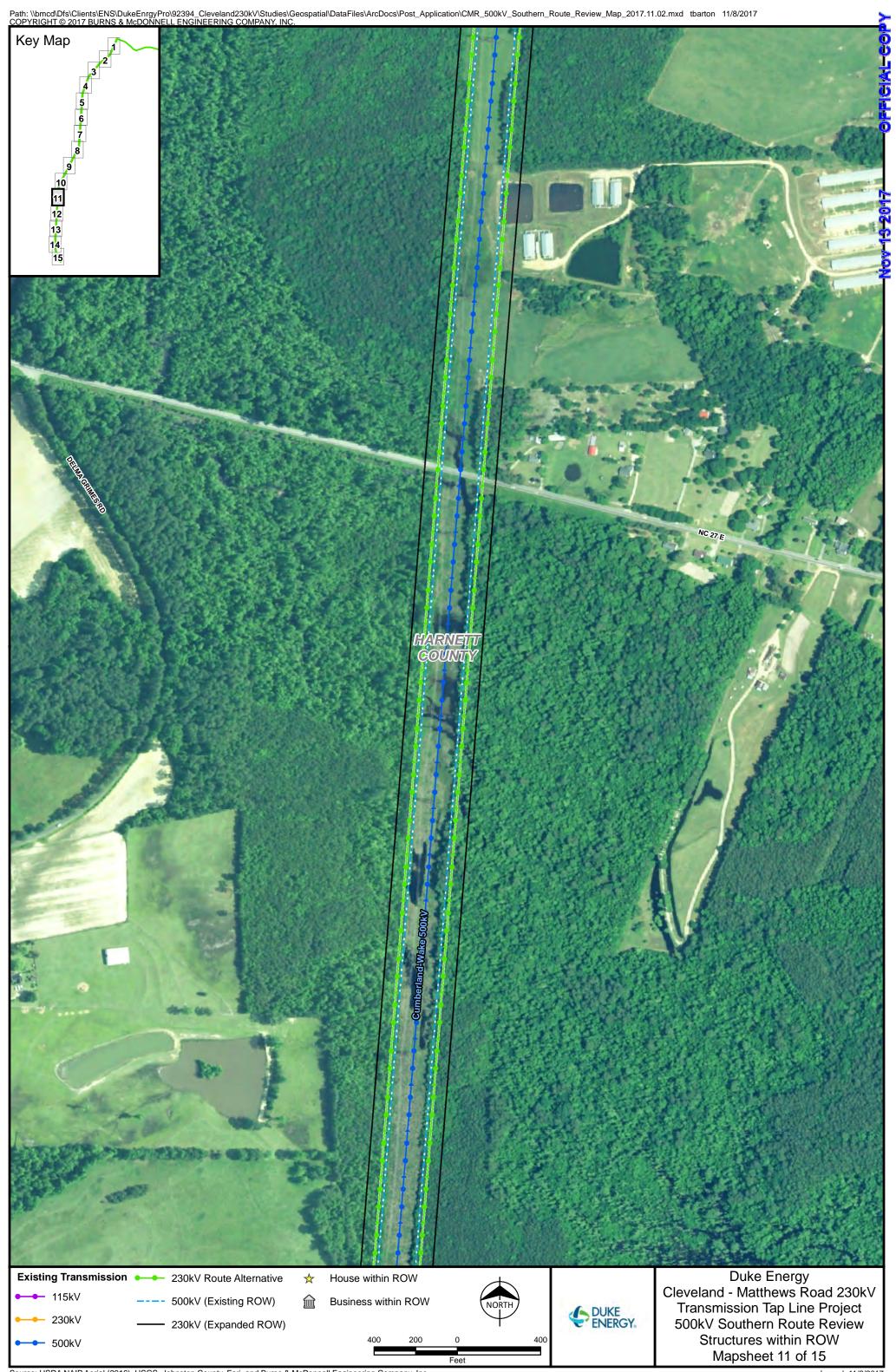


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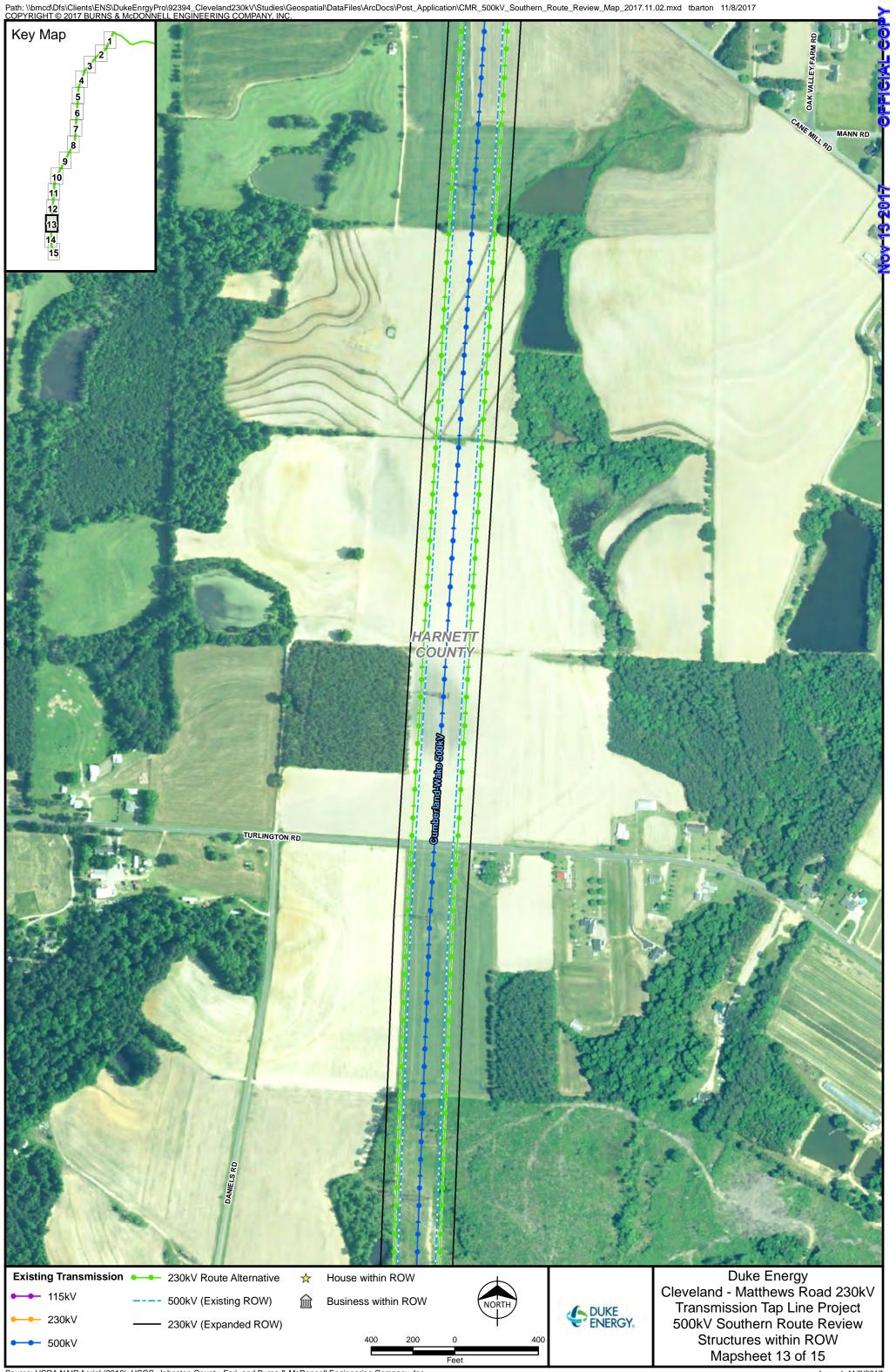
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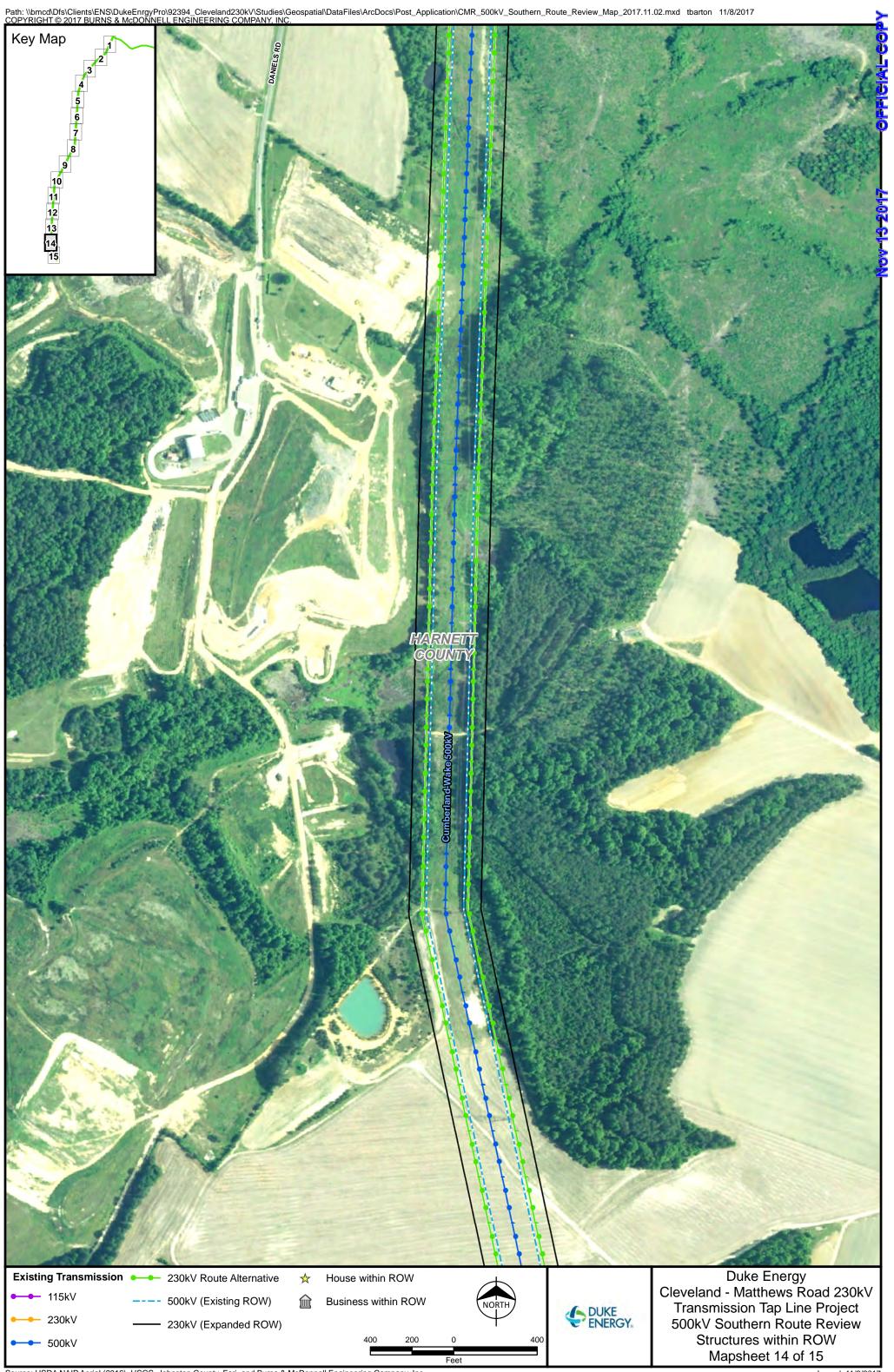


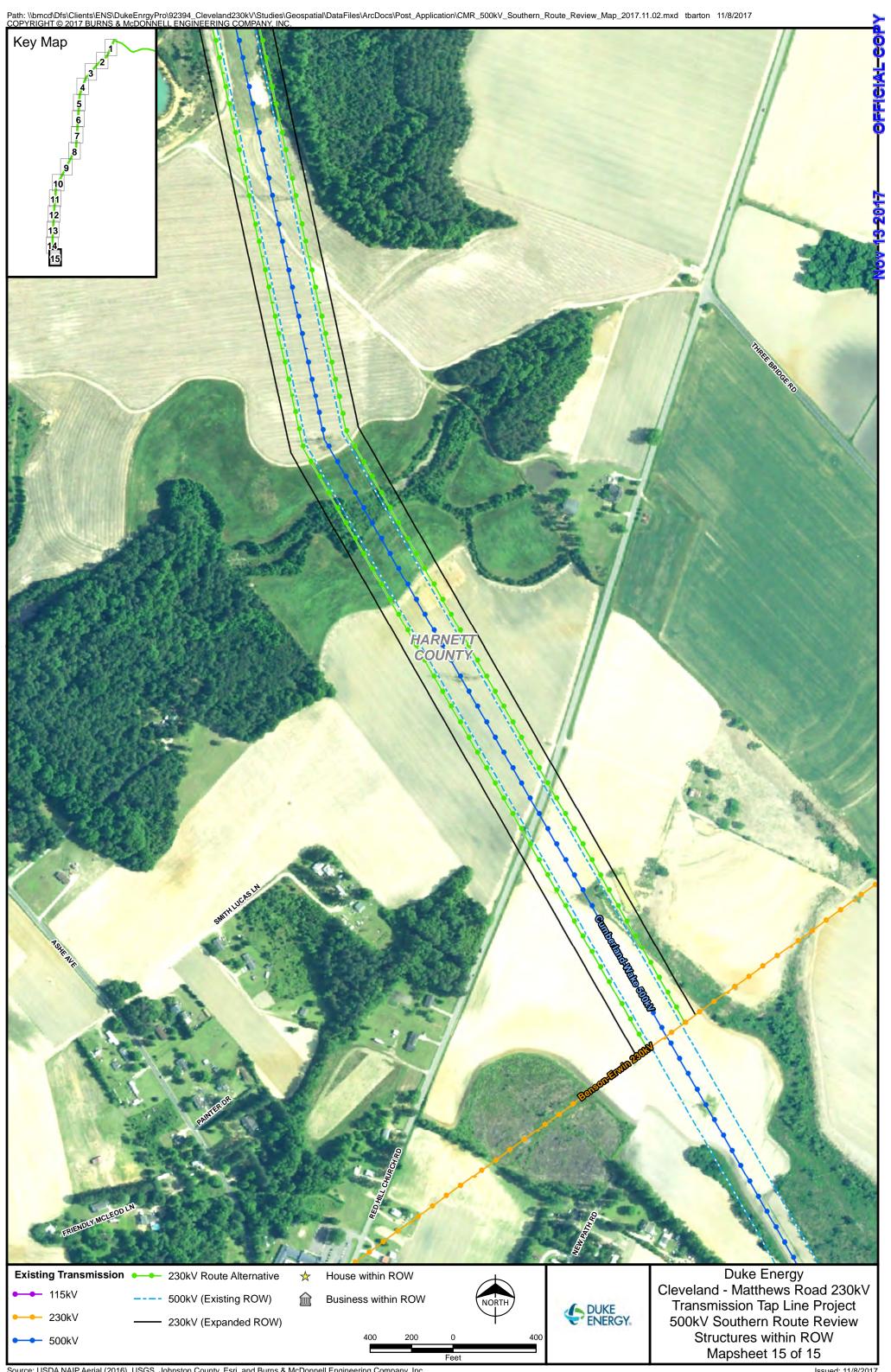
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	Selected Route Route 31 North-South	Route 4 East-West	Route 32 North-South	Route 1 East-West	
Install /Modify Line Structures and Wires	3,328,000	3,072,000	3,119,235	2,891,776	
Install /Modify Line Structures and Wires (Inspector's Time)	244,000	200,000	244,000	200,000	
Site Finalization (clean-up)	192,000	96,000	192,000	96,000	
Site Finalization (clean-up) Inspector	27,000	14,000	27,000	14,000	
As-built	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	
Erosion Control	1,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000	
Staking	24,000	12,000	24,000	12,000	
ROW Clearing	1,818,000	940,000	1,818,000	940,000	
Centerline Survey	317,000	164,000	317,000	164,000	
Tie Plat Survey	180,000	93,000	180,000	93,000	
Flagging Clearing Limit	60,000	31,000	60,000	31,000	
Subtotal	7,192,000	6,624,000	6,983,235	6,443,776	
Engineering labor & Material Estimates	1,936,265	2,142,163	3,001,683	3,151,788	
Subtotal - Direct View	9,128,265	8,766,163	9,984,918	9,595,564	
Adjusted to Include Burdens	\$ 13,692,398	\$ 13,149,245	\$ 14,977,377	\$ 14,393,346	

# Cost Comparison of Routes 31, 4, 32, and 1

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of the Late-Filed Exhibit of Duke Energy Progress, LLC, in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1150, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to the following parties:

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This the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

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