



PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

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BUSINESS HOURS
8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
MON.-FRI.

October 26, 2021

Dear Resident:

Your Township Trustees have been working with representatives of FirstEnergy on electric reliability issues affecting the Perry Community since mid-summer. Dialogue has been back and forth, but we had a very positive meeting last Thursday (October 21st) and we have some positive news to report.

Most of the power supplied to the Perry Community comes through the Quincy Substation. To their credit, FirstEnergy has spent more than one million dollars to update the Quincy system with Smart capacitor banks and 12 new viper reclosers. These upgrades will provide automated trouble shooting and switching to the system which will reduce sustained power interruptions and make momentary corrections in power flow. Previously, the Brecksville Control Center had to identify power interruptions, analyze routing options and then implement a switching solution.

Effective immediately, FirstEnergy representatives will be physically walking the Quincy feeder lines that deliver our power, to identify “off right of way” trees that have the potential to affect the flow of power we receive. You may see company personnel and equipment along the roadways and in your neighborhoods performing this activity. Once their survey is completed, FirstEnergy will seek the necessary permission from affected property owners and has committed to perform the trimming work needed, to mitigate the risk these trees present to the power reliability issue.

Our area is scheduled for “on right of way” tree trimming in 2022. This work is performed on a four-year cycle and tree limbs are professionally and systematically trimmed to provide safe clearance for a four-year period. We are currently at the end of the effective period for tree trimming. Our FirstEnergy representative has requested that our area be trimmed in the first quarter of the new year. While we might interpret these tree trimming services as mundane, know that as many as 50% of our recent power interruptions have been pinpointed to on and off right of way tree issues.

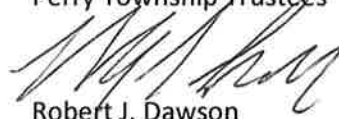
We also expect improved reliability for those of you residing in neighborhoods supplied by underground cabling and who have dealt with interruptions directly from cable faults. In Oakbrook Village, the combination of recabling performed at the entry of the development in early 2021 and the recent isolation of a supply phase line (which had experienced multiple faults), should minimize the rash of interruptions caused specifically from cabling faults.

Those of you residing in Birchfield Meadows (Blue Spruce Court, Red Oak Drive, White Cedar Place and White Oak Court) will soon see benefits from two significant actions. Supply feeds to your development are being reconfigured which will lesson exposure to interruptions from feeder lines and FirstEnergy has agreed to perform recabling to a number of sections which have had multiple fault failures. Both projects have been engineered with the intent of starting the work immediately.

MAILING ADDRESS – P.O. BOX 65, PERRY, OHIO 44081

Every day, all reported power interruptions are recorded, reviewed, and analyzed by FirstEnergy personnel. Please continue to report all outages by house number and street address so the information can be used to address electric reliability in Perry.

Very Truly Yours,
Perry Township Trustees

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert J. Dawson', written in a cursive style.

Robert J. Dawson
Chairman