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## **Clinton Township, Franklin County, joins the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission**

**(Columbus – September 18, 2014)** In order to maintain a strong collaboration on regional issues, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission’s (MORPC’s) members continue to seek opportunities to grow the organization. Today Clinton Township’s application for membership was approved by the MORPC Board.

Clinton Township’s membership will provide the opportunity for one representative to serve as a voting member at the MORPC Commission meetings.

“The Clinton Township Board of Trustees has been working for several years to lay out a development plan and is moving forward toward implementation,” states Carl Reardon, Clinton Township Trustee. “We are pleased to be a member of MORPC so that we can further refine our vision, learn how to achieve it, and coordinate with the surrounding communities to improve our community and those communities around us.”

“We are pleased to welcome Clinton Township to our membership as we strengthen our collaborative efforts across all levels of local government. Townships are an important segment of our local government partners and we welcome their voice in our collective efforts to work on regional issues and challenges,” states William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director.

The MORPC Board meets 11 times each year to discuss important regional issues, guide the direction of MORPC’s work, network with local leaders to discuss common problems, create solutions to shared regional challenges and provide input on funding decisions. Additional benefits of serving on MORPC’s Commission include grants and funding opportunities, educational forums, training and seminars, technical assistance and data, policy development, collaboration and networking.

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