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September 5, 2019

Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Tanowa Troupe Administration/Docketing Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Re: Republic Wind, LLC, OPSB Case No. 17-2295-EL-BGN

Dear Ms. Troupe:

I am attaching for filing in the above-referenced matter, the proofs of publication attesting to the publication of the Notice of Proposed Major Utility Facility (Wind Farm). The notice was published in the following newspapers:

Seneca County - *The Advertiser- Tribune* on August 31, 2019 Sandusky County - *The News-Messenger* on September 5, 2019

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Devin D. Parram

Attachments

Cc: Parties of Record (w/Attachments)

The Advertiser-Tribune

320 NELSON ST. P.O. BOX 778 TIFFIN, OHIO 44883 TELEPHONE(419) 448-3200 FAX (419) 448- 3208

State of Ohio) County of Seneca) ss:

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County, personally appeared Michelle Steinmetz, Advertising Manager, of Ogden News Publishing of Ohio, Inc. and made solemn oath that Bricker and Eckler published an ad 1 time(s) in <u>The Advertiser-Tribune</u>, a newspaper of general circulation, in the county aforesaid on the 31st day of August, 2019.

Michelle Steinmetz, Advertising Manager

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence, this 31^{H} day of August, 2019.

Notary Public Darlene Ohl Selverary 17, 2020

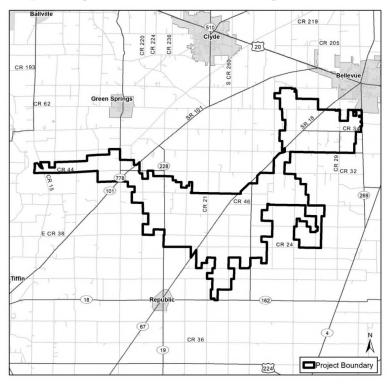
Notice of Proposed Major Utility Facility (Wind Farm)

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Republic Wind, LLC filed an application on February 2, 2018 for authority to construct, own, and operate the Republic Wind Farm, a 200 megawatt (MW) wind-powered electric generation facility, Republic Wind Farm to be located in a rural portion of Seneca and Sandusky Counties, Ohio. On December 26 and December 27, 2018, Republic Wind filed an amendment to its application, which reduces the project area from approximately 35,000 acres to 24,000 acres of leased private land in Adams, Pleasant, Reed, Scipio, and Thompson Townships (Seneca County) and York Township (Sandusky County). The wind farm will consist of up to 50 wind turbine generators, along with access roads, electric collection cables, a substation, a laydown yard for construction staging, an operations and maintenance facility, and up to two meteorological towers. The nameplate capacity ratings of these wind turbine generators range from 3.6 to 5.7 megawatts, depending on the final turbine model selected. The total generating capacity of the wind farm will not exceed 200 megawatts. Construction of the project is projected to begin in 2020, with projected commercial operation beginning in 2020.

LOCATION AND GENERAL LAYOUT

The location and general layout of Republic Wind Farm is shown on the map below:



APPLICATION NOW PENDING

Republic's Application as amended is pending before the Ohio Power Siting Board. The assigned docket number for the Application is Case No. 17-2295-EL-BGN, and copies of all filings in the case can be located at the Ohio Power Siting Board website at (http://www.opsb.ohio.gov) by scrolling down to "Pending Cases" and selecting the case by name or docket number. To view the filings, click the case number for the case record.

DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC HEARING

The public hearing for this case shall consist of two parts:

(a) A local public hearing, pursuant to R.C. 4906.08(C), where the Board shall accept written or oral testimony from any person, commencing on Thursday, September 12, 2019, at 3:00 p.m., at Tiffin University, Marion Center, 235 Miami Street, Tiffin, Ohio 44883. The purpose of the local public hearing is to allow interested persons in the project area, who are not parties to the case, to provide written or oral testimony regarding the project; and

(b) An adjudicatory hearing to commence on Wednesday, October 2, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., 11th floor, Hearing Room 11-D, at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793. The purpose of this hearing is for Republic, Staff, and intervenors to provide evidence regarding the proposed project.

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON PROPOSED FACILITY

The public will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed facility. As noted above, the local public hearing will be held on Thursday, September 12, 2019, at 3:00 p.m., at Tiffin University, Marion Center, 235 Miami Street, Tiffin, Ohio 44883.

PUBLICATION OF INITIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

An initial public notice regarding the proposed facility and non-adjudicatory and adjudicatory hearings was published in the *Advertiser-Tribune* on March 23, 2019 and the *News-Messenger* on March 22, 2019.

The News - Messenger

Advertiser: **BRICKER & ECKLER** 100 S 3 RD ST COLUMBUS, OH 43215 - 4214

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Newspaper: MCO-Fremont News Messenger

LEGAL NOTICE

ATTACHED

STATE OF WISCONSIN

RE: Order #: 001244167

Account#: 000000890

Total Amount of Claim: \$761.20

, Sales Assistant for the above-mentioned newspaper, ١, hereby certify that the attached advertisement appeared in said newspaper on the following dates:

9/5/19

Last Run Date: 9/5/19

Subscribed and sworn to me this 5 of September, 2019

NOTARY PUBLIC

Commission Expires



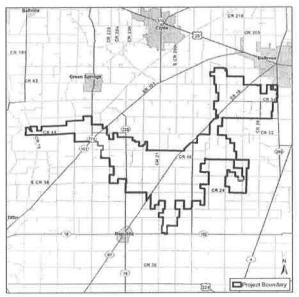
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Summary: Proof of Pub of the Second Notice electronically filed by Teresa Orahood on behalf of Devin D. Parram