

**BEFORE  
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Application of :  
Republic Wind, LLC for a Certificate of :  
Environmental Compatibility and Public : Case No. 17-2295-EL-BGN  
Need for a Wind-Powered Electric :  
Generating Facility in Seneca and :  
Sandusky Counties, Ohio :

**PREFILED TESTIMONY  
OF  
Grant T. Zeto  
SITING, EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY DIVISION  
DEPARTMENT OF RATES AND ANALYSIS  
OHIO POWER SITING BOARD STAFF**

**STAFF EX. \_\_\_\_**

**October 28, 2019**

1     1.     Q.     Please state your name and business address.

2           A.     My name is Grant T. Zeto, and my business address is 180 East Broad Street,  
3                   Columbus OH 43215.

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5     2.     Q.     By whom are you employed and what is your position?

6           A.     I am employed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission) as  
7                   a Utility Specialist 2 in the Siting, Efficiency and Renewable Energy  
8                   Division of the Commission's Department of Rates and Analysis. My  
9                   position includes assigned duties by the Chairman of the Ohio Power Siting  
10                  Board (Board) to investigate applications filed with the Board and assist in  
11                  preparing reports.

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13    3.     Q.     Please summarize your educational background and work experience.

14           A.     I received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Environment and Natural  
15                   Resources from The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.

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17                   I have been employed by the PUCO since August, 2011. My responsibilities  
18                   during this time have primarily involved review of Power Siting cases.

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20    4.     Q.     Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Ohio Power Siting Board?

21           A.     Yes, I have testified to sponsor the Staff Reports of Investigation in eight  
22                   other cases.

1 5. Q. What was your role in this case?

2 A. I was a Staff subject analyst for portions of the Staff Report of Investigation  
3 (Staff Report) by contributing to the overall staff investigation.  
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5 6. Q. What sections of the Staff Report of investigation did you work on?

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7 A. Surface Waters, Threatened and Endangered Species, and Vegetation.  
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9 7. Q. Are you responsible for any conditions in the staff report? If so, which ones?

10 A. Yes, I am responsible for conditions 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29,  
11 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 40 in the Staff Report.  
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13 8. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

14 A. Yes it does. However, I reserve the right to submit supplemental testimony,  
15 as new information subsequently becomes available or in response to  
16 positions taken by other parties.

## PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Prefiled Testimony of Grant T. Zeto, submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Ohio Power Siting Board, was served via electronic mail, upon the following parties of record, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019.

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