

July 23, 2020

Ms. Tanowa Troupe, Secretary
Ohio Power Siting Board
Docketing Division
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3797

Re: Case No. 18-1607-EL-BGN, In the Matter of the Application of Firelands Wind, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Construct a Wind-Powered Electric Generation Facility in Huron and Erie Counties, Ohio.

Proof of Publication and Service of Rescheduled Procedural Schedule and Accepted, Complete Application

Dear Ms. Troupe:

Attached please find a copy of the proof of publication attesting that, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 4906.06(C) and the Administrative Law Judge's July 13, 2020 Entry, the first notice of the rescheduled procedural schedule and the accepted, complete application was published in the *Sandusky Register* and the *Norwalk Reflector*, newspapers of general circulation in Huron and Erie counties on July 18, 2020. In addition, in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4906-3-09(A)(1), the initial written notice was also served on July 17, 2020.

We are available, at your convenience, to answer any questions you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure

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Sandusky Register
314 W. Market St.
Sandusky, Ohio 44870

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150 E. GAY ST.
SUITE 2400
COLOMBUS, OHIO 43215

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PROOF OF PUBLICATION

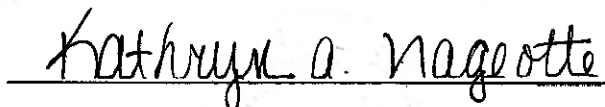
Greg Weigle, who being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is Advertising Director of the Sandusky Register and the Norwalk Reflector and that said papers are daily newspapers printed and have general circulation in Erie County and Huron County, State of Ohio, and that the annexed advertisements were published in said papers on:

July 18, 2020



Greg Weigle

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to on July 18, 2020



Kathryn A Nageotte
Notary Public - Ohio
Commission Expires Aug 1, 2024

Notice of Proposed Major Utility Facility

Firelands Wind, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Apex Clean Energy Holdings, LLC, is proposing to construct the Emerson Creek Wind Farm, a wind-powered electric generation facility located in Groton and Oxford Townships, in Erie County, Ohio, and Lyme, Ridgefield, Sherman, Norwich, and Richmond Townships, in Huron County, Ohio, as shown on the map below. The facility will have a total generating capacity of approximately 297.66 megawatts of electricity.

Firelands filed its application with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) for a certificate to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facility in OPSB Case No. 18-1607-EL-BGN. A copy of the application is available on the OPSB website at <http://dis.puc.state.oh.us/CaseRecord.aspx?Caseno=18-1607&link=DIVA> and Firelands' website at <https://www.emersoncreekwind.com/>.

R.C. 4906.07(C) provides that the chairperson of the OPSB shall cause each application filed with the OPSB to be investigated and shall submit a written report to the OPSB and to the applicant. The OPSB staff filed its report in the case on March 2, 2020. A copy of report is available for inspection by contacting the OPSB offices at 180 E. Broad St., 11th floor, Columbus, OH 43215 or 1-866-270-6772, and is available on the OPSB website at <http://dis.puc.state.oh.us/CaseRecord.aspx?Caseno=18-1607&link=DIVA>.

In December 2019, the OPSB established the initial procedural schedule in this case. Notices were issued regarding the hearings initially scheduled for March and April 2020. On March 11, 2020, the OPSB, citing Executive Order 2020-01D issued by Governor Mike DeWine declaring a state of emergency in Ohio to protect the well-being of Ohioans from the dangerous effects of COVID-19, postponed the hearings for the Emerson Creek Wind Farm.

On July 13, 2020, the OPSB reestablished the procedural schedule in this case. The public will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed facility. The public hearing in Firelands' OPSB case shall consist of two parts and will use remote access technology that facilitates participation by telephone and/or live video on the internet:

(1) A local public hearing, pursuant to R.C. 4906.08(C), will be held on Thursday, August 20, 2020, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

(a) Persons that wish to provide testimony regarding the project or that plan to join the remote access event must:

- Register with the Consumer Call Center for the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) before 12:00 p.m. on August 19, 2020, by calling 1-800-686-7826 or by using the OPSB's online comment form at <https://opsb.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/opsb/events/emerson-creek-public-hearing>
- Testimony at the local public hearing will be limited to 5 minutes in duration.
- Persons who are interested in testifying must register for the applicable time block from either 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. or after 6:30 p.m. All persons registered to testify during the 3:00-6:00 p.m. timeslot should be prepared to speak beginning at 3:00 p.m., and all persons registered to testify after 6:30 p.m. should be prepared to speak beginning at 6:30 p.m.
- If access or other issues are experienced during the local public hearing, individuals should immediately use the chat function within WebEx or contact the OPSB's legal department at 1-614-466-6843 for assistance.

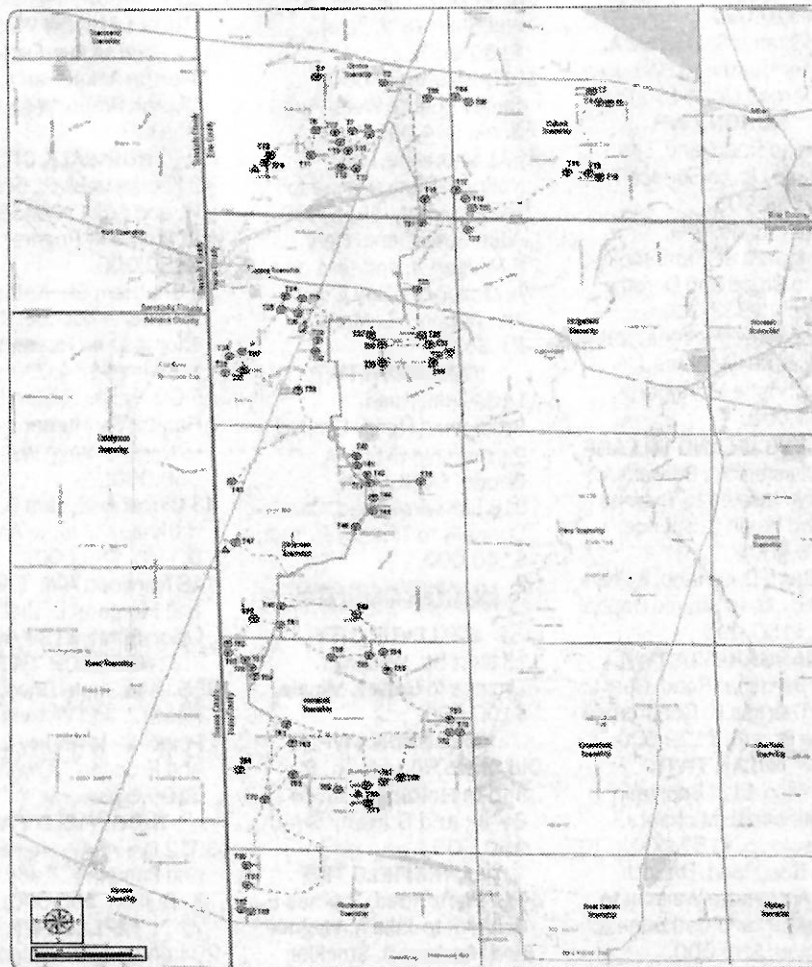
(b) Interested individuals who wish to attend the public hearing remotely and not offer testimony can do so by calling +1-408-418-9388 and entering access code 129 345 1686. The local public hearing will also be live streamed for viewing at <https://www.youtube.com/user/PUCOOhio>. Additional information is available by viewing the OPSB's web site at <https://opsb.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/opsb/cases/18-1607-el-bgn> or by calling the PUCO's Consumer Call Center at 1-800-686-7826.

(2) An adjudicatory hearing to commence on Monday, October 5, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.

Public comments can be provided in writing on the OPSB's website at <https://opsb.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/opsb/help-center/contact-us>, by electronic mail to OPSB@puc.ohio.gov, or by mail to the OPSB 180 E. Broad St.,

EL-BGN.

The following map shows the proposed layout of the Firelands facility. An online version of the map and a link to additional detailed maps can be found here: https://www.emersoncreekwind.com/about_emerson.



Emerson Creek Wind Farm
Erie, Huron, and Seneca Counties, Ohio

Project Layout

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- Wind Turbine
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- Collection Line
- County Boundary
- Leisureland
- County Boundary



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Summary: Proof of Pub and Service of Rescheduled Procedural Schedule and Accepted,
Complete Application electronically filed by Christine M.T. Pirik on behalf of Firelands Wind,
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