

**BEFORE
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

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

**PREFILED TESTIMONY
OF**

MATTHEW BUTLER

**ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO,
POWER SITING DEPARTMENT**

STAFF EX. _____

September 21, 2020

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

2 A. My name is Matt Butler, and my business address is 180 East Broad Street,
3 6th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

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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 (PUCO) as an
7 Administrative Officer 2 in the Power Siting Department. I am assigned to
8 work on power siting issues in a public affairs capacity.

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

11 A. I hold a B.A. in history from The Ohio State University. I have been
12 employed by the PUCO since 2000 in the Office of Public Affairs, the
13 Energy and Environment Department, the Rates and Analysis Department,
14 and the Power Siting Department. Prior to my time at the PUCO, I was
15 employed as an aide to a member of the Ohio House of Representatives.

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

19 5. A. Yes.

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1 6. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

2 A. With my testimony, I am sponsoring a portion of the Staff Report of
3 Investigation (Staff Report). Specifically, I prepared the section of the Staff
4 Report titled “Public Interaction and Participation.”

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6 7. Q. Are you testifying to any specific conditions in the Staff Report? If so,
7 which ones?

8 A. Yes, conditions 10 and 11.

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10 9. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

11 A. Yes. However, I reserve the right to submit supplemental testimony as
12 described herein, as new information subsequently becomes available or in
13 response to positions taken by other parties.

PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Prefiled Testimony of Matthew Butler, submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Power Siting Department, was served via electronic mail, upon the following parties of record, this 21st day of September, 2020.

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