

BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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In the Matter of the :  
Application of Big Plain :  
Solar, LLC, for a :  
Certificate of :  
Environmental :  
Compatibility and Public : Case No. 19-1823-EL-BGN  
Need to Construct a :  
Solar-Powered Electric :  
Generation Facility in :  
Madison County, Ohio. :

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PROCEEDINGS

before Ms. Patricia Schabo and Mr. Matthew Sandor,  
Administrative Law Judges, at the Ohio Power Siting  
Board, via Webex, called at 10:02 a.m. on Tuesday,  
January 19, 2021.

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On behalf of the Ohio Farm Bureau  
Federation.

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On behalf of Thomas A. Coughlin and TDC  
Farms, LLC.

Dave Yost, Ohio Attorney General  
By Ms. Jodi Bair,  
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On behalf of the Staff of the PUCO.

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Tuesday Morning Session,  
January 19, 2021.

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ALJ SANDOR: Let's go on the record.

The Ohio Power Siting Board has set for  
hearing at this time and place Case No.  
19-1823-EL-BGN which is captioned in the Matter of  
the Application of Big Plain Solar, LLC, for a  
Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public  
Need to Construct a Solar-Powered Electric Generation  
Facility in Madison County, Ohio.

Good morning, everyone. My name is  
Matthew Sandor, and with me is Patricia Schabo. We  
are the Administrative Law Judges assigned by the  
Board to hear this case.

Due to the COVID-19 emergency that  
remains in effect pursuant to Executive Order  
2020-01D issued by the Governor of the state of Ohio,  
this hearing is being held via Webex which enables  
parties to participate by video conference while also  
affording the public access to the hearings by  
telephone or video over the internet.

Pursuant to a January 11, 2021, entry, we  
are doing a call and continue of the evidentiary  
hearing scheduled to begin today which means -- which

means we have now opened the evidentiary record. We will take appearances of counsel, and then we will adjourn for the day and reconvene this hearing on January 26, 2021, again via Webex.

With that said, we will take appearances of parties. First, on behalf of the Company.

MR. SETTINERI: Thank you, your Honor. On behalf of Big Plain Solar, LLC, Michael Settineri and Anna Sanyal with the law firm of Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, 52 East Gay Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

ALJ SANDOR: Next, counsel on behalf of Ohio Farm Bureau Federation.

MS. MILAM: Good morning, your Honor. Amy Milam on behalf of Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, 280 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

ALJ SANDOR: Counsel on behalf of Thomas A. Coughlin and TDC Farms, LLC.

MR. DOVE: Good morning, your Honor. This is Robert Dove from the law firm of Kegler, Brown, Hill & Ritter, 65 East State Street, Suite 1800, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

ALJ SANDOR: And counsel on behalf of Board Staff.

MS. BAIR: Thank you, your Honor. On

1     behalf of the Staff of the Power Siting Board, Jodi  
2     Bair, Assistant Attorney General, 30 East Broad  
3     Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

4             ALJ SANDOR:  So anything from counsel  
5     before we adjourn for today?

6             Hearing none, we will reconvene the  
7     hearing on January 26, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. via Webex.

8             Until then we are adjourned.

9             (Thereupon, at 10:05 a.m., the hearing  
10    was adjourned.)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is  
a true and correct transcript of the proceedings  
taken by me in this matter on Tuesday, January 19,  
2021, and carefully compared with my original  
stenographic notes.

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Karen Sue Gibson, Registered  
Merit Reporter.

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19 January 2021 electronically filed by Mr. Ken Spencer on behalf of Armstrong & Okey, Inc. and Gibson, Karen Sue Mrs.