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Ms. Tanowa Troupe
Administration/Docketing
Ohio Power Siting Board
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

**Re: Juliet Energy Project, LLC,
Case No. 20-1760-EL-BGN**

Dear Ms. Troupe:

I am attaching for filing in the above-referenced matter, the Proof of Publication attesting to the first publication of the Notice of Proposed Major Utility Facility. The notice was published in the *Sentinel-Tribune* on July 22, 2021.

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

Sincerely,

Dylan F. Borchers

Attachment

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Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF OHIO } SS
COUNTY OF WOOD }

Cindy Bennett, being duly sworn, says:

That she is Classified/Legals of the B-G SENTINEL TRIBUNE, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in BOWLING GREEN, WOOD County, OHIO; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on the following dates:

Jul 22, 2021

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:

Cindy Bennett

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 22nd day of Jul 2021

Hilda Reed

Hilda Reed, WOOD County, OHIO

My commission expires: September 3rd, 2023

\$ 1,176.00



HILDA REED
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
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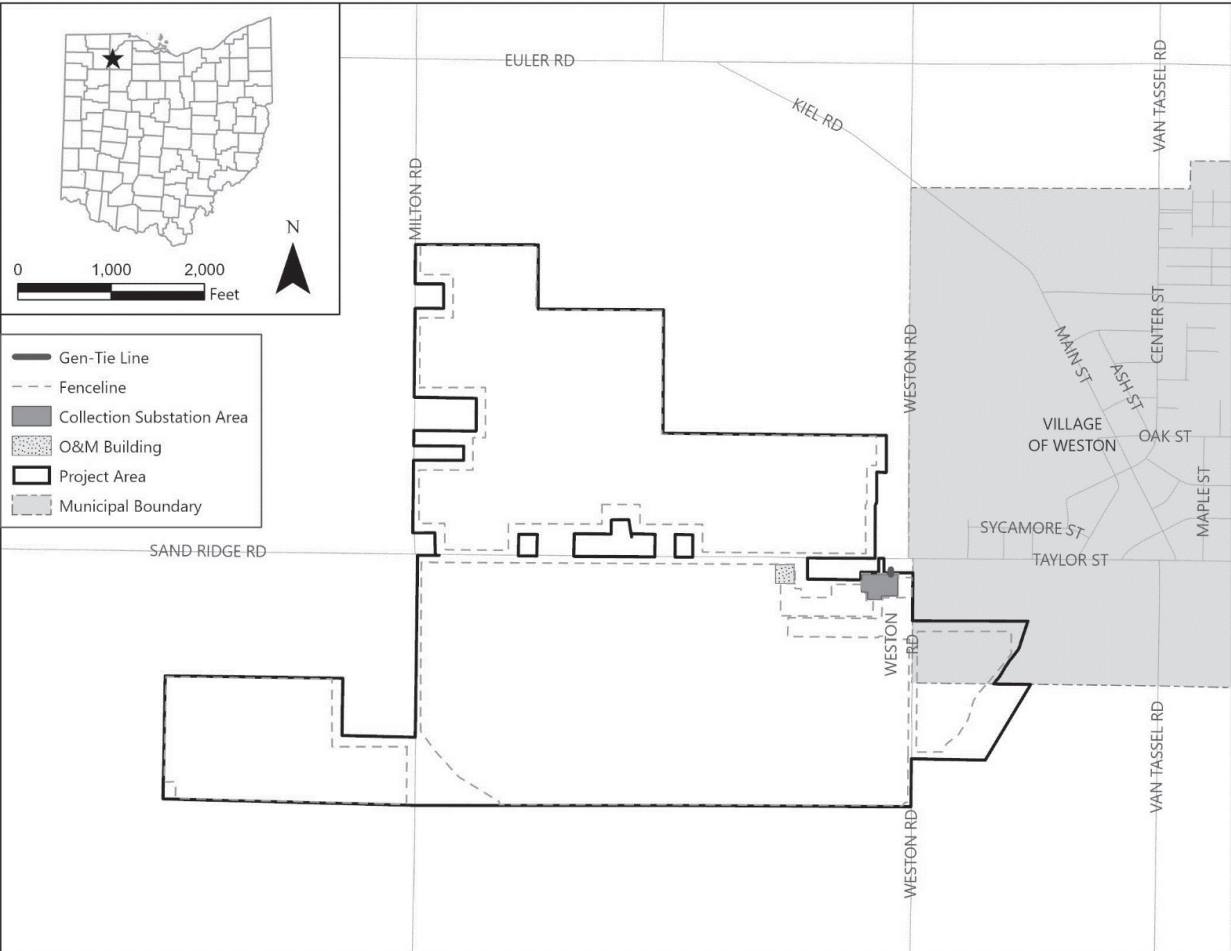
Notice of Proposed Major Utility Facility

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Juliet Energy Project, LLC (Juliet or Juliet Solar) proposes to construct and operate a 101 megawatt (MW) solar energy project in Weston and Milton Townships, Wood County, Ohio. The Facility will be located within approximately 670 acres of private land in Weston Township, Milton Township, and the Village of Weston in Wood County (the Project Area). The Facility will consist of photovoltaic (PV) panels, along with access roads, electric collection lines, a collection substation, a short generation interconnection (gen-tie) line (approximately 50 feet), a laydown area for construction staging, an operation and maintenance (O&M) building, and pyranometers. The energy generated at the Facility will be delivered to American Transmission System Inc.'s (ATSI) Weston 69 kV substation, located immediately to the north of the planned Facility substation location in Milton Township. Construction of the project is anticipated to begin no sooner than the Spring of 2022.

LOCATION AND GENERAL LAYOUT

The general location and planned project layout of Juliet Solar is shown on the map below:



APPLICATION NOW PENDING

Juliet has an Application pending before the Ohio Power Siting Board. The assigned docket number for the Application is Case No. 20-1760-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.

PUBLIC OFFICIALS SERVED WITH COPIES OF THE APPLICATION

The following public officials were served with a copy of the Application: Doris I. Herringshaw, Craig LaHote, and Dr. Theodore H. Bowlus Wood County Commissioners; John Musteric, P.E., P.S. Wood County Engineer; Jim Carter, District Administrator Wood Soil and Water Conservation District; Dave Steiner, Director, Wood County Planning Commission; Jacob Brown, Bruce Dewese, and Randy Tolles, Weston Trustees; and Stanley J. Wilhelm, Phillip L. Wilnau, and Nathan Wilhelm, Milton Township Trustees. A copy of the Application is also available for public inspection at the Weston Public Library, 13153 Main Street, Weston, Ohio 43569.

OHIO POWER SITING BOARD APPLICATION REVIEW CRITERIA

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4906.10(A) the Ohio Power Siting Board shall not grant a certificate for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a major utility facility, either as proposed or as modified by the Board, unless it finds and determines all of the following: (1) The basis of the need for the facility if the facility is an electric transmission line or gas pipeline; (2) The nature of the probable environmental impact; (3) That the facility represents the minimum adverse environmental impact, considering the state of available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives, and other pertinent considerations; (4) In the case of an electric transmission line, that the facility is consistent with regional plans for expansion of the electric power grid of the electric systems serving this state and interconnected utility systems and that the facility will serve the interests of electric system economy and reliability; (5) That the facility will comply with Chapters 3704., 3734., and 6111. of the Revised Code and all rules and standards adopted under those chapters and under Sections 1501.33, 1501.34, and 4561.32 of the Revised Code. In determining whether the facility will comply with all rules and standards adopted under Section 4561.32 of the Revised Code, the Board shall consult with the office of aviation of the division of multi-modal planning and programs of the department of transportation under Section 4561.341 of the Revised Code; (6) That the facility will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity; (7) In addition to the provisions contained in divisions (A)(1) to (6) of this section and rules adopted under those divisions, what its impact will be on the viability as agricultural land of any land in an existing agricultural district established under Chapter 929 of the Revised Code that is located within the site and alternative site of the proposed major utility facility; rules adopted to evaluate impact under Division (A)(7) of this section shall not require the compilation, creation, submission, or production of any information, document, or other data pertaining to land not located within the site and alternative site; and (8) That the facility incorporates maximum feasible water conservation practices as determined by the Board, considering available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives.

STATEMENT PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4906.07

Upon the receipt of an application complying with Section 4906.06 of the Revised Code, the Ohio Power Siting Board shall promptly fix a date for a public hearing thereon, not less than sixty nor more than ninety days after such receipt, and shall conclude the proceeding as expeditiously as practicable. The public hearing for this case shall consist of two parts and will be held **in-person**:

1. A local public hearing, pursuant to R.C. 4906.08(C), where the Board shall accept oral testimony from any person on Septemr 8, 2021, in a session beginning at 6:00 p.m.

The local public hearing in this matter shall be held on **September 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.**, at the Simpson Banquet Room, 1291 Conneaut Avenue, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402. Consistent with CDC Guidelines and the May 17, 2021 ODH Order, individuals who are not fully vaccinated should continue to wear a face covering and socially distance. For those individuals interested in testifying at the in-person local public hearing, a sign-in sheet will be available at the facility and witnesses will be taken in the order in which they register to testify. If individuals wish to supplement their testimony with an exhibit for the Board's consideration, a copy of the document should be provided to the ALJ during the local public hearing. Testimony to be provided will be limited to five minutes in duration.

2. An evidentiary hearing commencing on September 22, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

The evidentiary hearing will commence on **September 22, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.**, at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission), Hearing Room 11- C, 11th Floor, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793. The parties should register at the lobby desk and then proceed to the 11th floor to participate in the hearing. Like attendance at the local public hearing, individuals who are not fully vaccinated should continue to wear a face covering and socially distance. Any accommodations necessary to ensure availability of social distancing and plexiglass dividers should be made in advance of the hearing. As pandemic restrictions are evolving, additional instructions regarding further safety requirements or accommodations for the hearing room will either be posted on the Commission/Board website or communicated to the parties.

Consistent with CDC Guidelines and the May 17, 2021 Ohio Department of Health Order, unless otherwise specified by the facility, individuals who are not fully vaccinated and wish to participate in either the public hearing or evidentiary hearing should continue to wear a face covering and socially distance. Please contact the OPSB legal department at 614-466-6843 to ask any questions or request accommodations related to health protocols.

Public comments can be provided in writing on the Board's website at <https://opsb.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/opsb/help-center/contact-us>, or by email to contactOPSB@puco.ohio.gov, or by mail to Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Written comments should reference Case No. 20-1760-EL-BGN.

The chairman of the Ohio Power Siting Board shall cause each application filed with the Board to be investigated and shall, not less than fifteen days prior to the date any application is set for hearing, submit a written report to the Board and to the applicant. A copy of such report shall be made available to any person upon request. Such report shall set forth the nature of the investigation, and the report shall contain recommended findings with regard to division (A) of Section 4906.10 of the Revised Code and shall become part of the record and served upon all parties to the proceeding.

STATEMENT OF OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4906.08(C)

The Board shall accept written or oral testimony from any person at the public hearing, but the right to call and examine witnesses shall be reserved for parties. However, the Board may adopt rules to exclude repetitive, immaterial, or irrelevant testimony.

Petitions to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing will be accepted by the Board up to 30 days following service of the notice required by R.C. 4906.06(C) and Ohio Adm. Code 4906-3-09, or August 20, 2021, whichever is later. However, the Board strongly encourages interested persons who wish to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing to file their petitions as soon as possible. Petitions should be addressed to Docketing Division, the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 and cite Case No. 20-1760-EL-BGN.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Associated Press

Today is **Thursday, July 22**, the 203rd day of 2021. There are 162 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history

On **July 22, 1862**, President Abraham Lincoln presented to his Cabinet a preliminary draft of the Emancipation Proclamation.

On this date

In **1934**, bank robber John Dillinger was shot to death by federal agents outside Chicago's Biograph Theater, where he had just seen the Clark Gable movie “Manhattan Melodrama.”

In **1946**, the militant Zionist group Irgun blew up a wing of the King David Hotel in Jerusalem, killing 91 people.

In **1975**, the House of Representatives joined the Senate in voting to restore the American

citizenship of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee.

In **1991**, police in Milwaukee arrested Jeffrey Dahmer, who later confessed to murdering 17 men and boys (Dahmer ended up being beaten to death by a fellow inmate).

Ten years ago: A jury in Cleveland convicted Anthony Sowell of killing 11 poor, drug-addicted women whose remains were found in his home and backyard. (Sowell was later sentenced to death; he died in prison in February 2021.)

Five years ago: Democrat Hillary Clinton told supporters in a text message that she had chosen Virginia Sen. Tim Kaine as her vice-presidential running mate.

One year ago: Washington, D.C., Mayor Muriel Bowser issued an executive order making face masks mandatory outside the home.

Teacher

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the board in answer to the threat of termination.

Black has led the First Amendment Club at the high school for 15 years and said that he has read a lot of case law and Ohio Revised Code.

He said that on the days he left work, he made sure a substitute was in the classroom first and said the district set a trap regarding the days he took that allegedly violated the collective bargaining unit. Black said that he asked for days off and was told the district's cap for teacher days off had been reached, but those days were never removed from the system.

“Teachers are supposed to take the high road and lead by example. Administrators are supposed to, too,” he said.

“If administration was interested in making sure I followed procedure, they could have canceled those days,” Black said.

As for the FERPA claims, he said he asked two students to send him an email summing up their experiences with credit flexibility he offered his Spanish students.

He said he had permission to share their emails.

FERPA is supposed to prevent a teacher from divulging a student's record.

“I'm exposing what I saw in the experience” with these students, Black said. “Any time you mention a student in an e-mail, it's not a FERPA violation unless you're Francis Scruci.”

Scruci declined to com-

ment.

“This is a personnel matter and as a district we don't discuss the discipline or accusations of employees,” Scruci said Wednesday morning.

Black said that he was escorted out of the high school on the last day for seniors, while his Spanish 4 students were taking a test.

He spoke of the bullying and cowardly tactics used by high school administrators that day in an e-mail to board members.

“I stand behind every single word I have written or said,” Black said, adding that he is supposed to be under a gag order.

Board President Norm Geer would not comment on the action, which was taken at Tuesday's meeting, right before the board adjourned.

The board met for a three-hour executive session on Monday to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee.

Scruci neither denied nor confirmed Black's employment was the topic of that meeting, citing school board regulations against publicizing what is discussed in executive session.

Black said there are constitutional, due process and First Amendment issues that need to be defended, as well as the attack on his character.

“I'm going to fight with the public record. I'm ready for this to come to a head,” he said. “If I lose, I haven't lost my principles. I stand behind every single word.”

Park

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close Buttonwood after ice floes, caused by a hard freeze then a rapid thaw, washed out a lot of the park and scarred trees. This also occurred four years previously and the board spent \$100,000 to repair the damage.

The park was mostly a primitive site, with some camping areas and soccer fields. It is popular during the walleye run, has been the home of an annual pow-wow and hosted the Jan. 1 polar plunge one year.

It's going to hard to invest in Buttonwood again, Parish said.

“I'm just skeptical,” he said.

Board member Tom Myers said he lives near

the park.

“It's a shame at this point in time. It's just in a very unique location that this just keeps happening over and over,” Myers said.

Munger said that the July 13 presentation was informational and the board was not being asked for a commitment to the park.

Parish said there are two questions that need to be addressed before Buttonwood is revisited: What can be done about the dike and is the board going to invest in an improvement.

“But I think you have to answer the first question before you go to the second,” Parish said.

“There is more to discuss yet,” Munger said.

A message left for comment with River Hollow Farm was not immediately returned.

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Summary: Proof of Pub for First Legal Notice electronically filed by Teresa Orahood on behalf of Dylan F. Borchers