

**BEFORE
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Letter of Notification)	
Application by Yellowbud Solar, LLC for a)	Case No. 21-329-EL-BLN
Certificate to Construct an Electric)	
Generation Facility in Ross County, Ohio)	

**JOINT APPLICATION OF YELLOWBUD SOLAR, LLC AND AEP OHIO
TRANSMISSION COMPANY, INC. TO TRANSFER AND ASSIGN CONSTRUCTION
CERTIFICATE**

Under R.C. 4906.04, Yellowbud Solar, LLC (“Yellowbud”) and AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. (“AEP OH Transco”), collectively as “Joint Applicants,” seek approval to transfer and assign the Construction Certificate issued for the switchyard (the “Project”) in Case No. 21-329-EL-BLN from Yellowbud to AEP OH Transco. The Joint Applicants specifically request to transfer and assign the entire Construction Certificate from Yellowbud to AEP OH Transco. The Project consists of an electrical bus from the Yellowbud Solar Facility collection substation¹ into the switchyard and a three-breaker ring bus to control the flow of electricity to AEP OH Transco’s 138 kV Biers Run to Circleville electric transmission line. The Project is subject to the jurisdiction of the Ohio Power Siting Board (the “OPSB”) and the terms, conditions, and modifications of the Construction Certificate that are applicable to the Project will remain in force.

The transfer assignment of the Construction Certificate to AEP OH Transco was anticipated in the Letter of Notification filed on April 29, 2021. The Letter of Notification noted that “following the construction of the Project, it is anticipated that the certificate will be

¹ The Yellowbud Solar Facility was approved by the OPSB in Case No. 20-1972-EL-BGN.

transferred to AEP OH Transco, as it will be the long-term owner and operator of the switchyard infrastructure.” *See* Letter of Notification at 2. To support the Project’s construction schedule, the Joint Applicants now propose to transfer the switchyard Construction Certificate from Yellowbud to AEP OH Transco. Similar projects have applied for and been granted approval for transfer and assignments. *See e.g.* November 15, 2018 Entry in Case No. 17-1091-EL-BLN (transfer of Construction Certificate for a natural gas-fired electric generation facility from Ohio River Partners Shareholder LLC to Ohio Powerco LLC).

To abide by policy of the State of Ohio, the Project will be subject to jurisdiction of the OPSB and will remain subject to all of the terms, conditions, and modifications applicable to the Construction Certificate. Additionally, pursuant to R.C. Chapter 4906.04, AEP OH Transco agrees to comply with the terms, conditions, and modifications of the Construction Certificate once transfer is approved by the Board.

In support of this Joint Application, the Joint Applicants are submitting correspondence confirming AEP OH Transco’s commitment to abide by the terms, conditions, and modifications of the Construction Certificate applicable to the Project. *See* Exhibit A attached. Yellowbud also sent letters to the Ross County Board of Commissioners and Union Township Board of Trustees notifying them of this transfer request. *See* Exhibit B attached.

Wherefore, the Joint Applicants respectfully request that, pursuant to R.C. Chapter 4906.04, the OPSB approve the assignment of the Project Construction Certificate to AEP OH Transco.

Respectfully submitted,

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Re: Case No. 21-329-EL-BLN
Joint Application to Transfer and Assign Construction Certificate

Dear Ms. Troupe:

Yellowbud Solar, LLC (“Yellowbud”) and AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. (“AEP OH Transco”) request that the Construction Certificate held by Yellowbud and approved in Case. No 21-329-EL-BLN be transferred and assigned to AEP OH Transco. Once ownership of the switchyard is transferred, AEP OH Transco intends to adhere to all applicable conditions set forth in the Letter of Notification application as well as applicable conditions and terms set forth in the Construction Certificate.

Thank you for considering this request and please contact me at (614) 716-3410 with any questions.

Sincerely yours,

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Commissioners Jack Everson, Jr., Dwight Garrett, and James Lowe
Ross County Commissioners
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Re: OPSB Case No. 21-329-EL-BLN
Yellowbud Solar, LLC
Transfer Application for the Yellowbud Switchyard Project

Dear Commissioners Everson, Garrett and Lowe:

The purpose of this letter is to make the Union Township Board of Trustees aware of a joint application by Yellowbud Solar, LLC ("Yellowbud") and AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc. ("AEP") to the Ohio Power Siting Board to transfer and assign the Construction Certificate issued for the switchyard in Case No. 21-329-EL-BLN (the "Project") from Yellowbud to AEP.

The transfer of Construction Certificate was contemplated in the original application filed in this case because AEP was intended to be the long-term owner and operator of the switchyard infrastructure. Because AEP is required to hold a Certificate to own and operate the switchyard, Yellowbud and AEP have filed the enclosed application with the Ohio Power Siting Board to request approval of the transfer of the Construction Certificate.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 614-464-5424 with any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "ASanyal".

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Re: OPSB Case No. 21-329-EL-BLN
Yellowbud Solar, LLC
Transfer Application for the Yellowbud Switchyard Project

Dear Trustees Bethel, Bowles and Smith:

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