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May 11, 2020

Ms. Tanowa M. Troupe
Secretary
Ohio Power Siting Board
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3716

Re: PUCO Case No. 20-938-EL-BNR, Hillcrest Solar Interconnect Project

Dear Ms. Troupe:

In accordance with O.A.C. 4906-6-07, Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., (Duke Energy Ohio or Company) is hereby filing its notice of compliance with requirements concerning service and public distribution of the application filed in the above-referenced proceeding.

A copy of the application has been placed at the main office of Duke Energy Ohio at 139 E. Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202, and is available at the offices of the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

It is also available on the Duke Energy Ohio website, at: www.duke-energy.com/Hillcrest together with instructions on how to obtain a paper copy. Additionally, the application is on the Ohio Power Siting Board's website, at: www.opsb.ohio.gov. Lastly, a notice containing a link to a copy of the application has been electronically sent to the Mt. Orab Library.

The attached correspondence demonstrates that on May 6, 2020 and May 7, 2020, the Company electronically served a copy of the application on the following individuals:

- Heather Patten, Interim Manager – Mt. Orab Library, at bcplmto@gmail.com
- Tony Applegate, Commissioner, at Commissioners@BrownCountyOhio.gov
- Barry Woodruff, Commissioner, at Commissioners@BrownCountyOhio.gov
- Daryll Gary, Commissioner, at Commissioners@BrownCountyOhio.gov
- Kelly Cole, Director of Development, at KCole@BrownCountyOhio.gov
- Aubrey Bolender, Chairman of the Brown County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors, at Bolenderfarms@gmail.com
- Brian Ernst, Planning Commission Chairman, at Planning@BrownCountyOhio.gov

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,
/s/ Emily A. Olive, CP
Emily A. Olive
Certified Paralegal

From: [Olive, Emily A.](#)
To: bcplmto@gmail.com
Cc: [Kingery, Jeanne W.](#); [Fuller, Dawn](#); [Depperman, Dan](#)
Subject: Duke Energy Ohio / Hillcrest Solar Project / Ohio Power Siting Board Case No. 20-938-EL-BNR
Date: Wednesday, May 6, 2020 5:36:00 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[Letter to Library-Hillcrest.pdf](#)

Good Afternoon Ms. Patten:

Please see attached letter relating the above-referenced matter.

This letter is being sent in accordance with Ohio Power Siting Board rules.

Please note that the Duke Energy website will be available later today.

Thank you.

Emily A. Olive, CP

Paralegal | Duke Energy Legal Department

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May 6, 2020

Mt. Orab Library
Heather Patten, Interim Manager
613 S. High St.
Mt. Orab, Ohio 45154

Via Electronic Mail

**Construction Notice
Hillcrest Solar Interconnect Project**

Dear Ms. Patten:

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In accordance with O.A.C. 4906-1-01 Appendix A, we are required to prepare this Construction Notice for the Ohio Power Siting Board and, in compliance with O.A.C. 4906-6-07, we are hereby providing you with a link to an electronic copy.

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Cordially,

Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.

/s/ Dan Depperman

Project Manager – Transmission Projects

From: [Olive, Emily A.](#)
To: Commissioners@BrownCountyOhio.gov; KCole@BrownCountyOhio.gov; JBerry@BrownCountyOhio.gov; lmoran@brownswcd.org; Planning@BrownCountyOhio.gov
Cc: [Kingery, Jeanne W.](#); [Fuller, Dawn](#); [Depperman, Dan](#)
Subject: Duke Energy Ohio / Hillcrest Solar Project / Ohio Power Siting Board Case No. 20-938-EL-BNR
Date: Wednesday, May 6, 2020 5:35:00 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[Letter to Public Officials-Hillcrest.pdf](#)

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To: [Bolenderfarms@gmail.com](mailto:bolenderfarms@gmail.com)
Cc: [Kingery, Jeanne W.](#)
Subject: Duke Energy Ohio / Hillcrest Solar Project / Ohio Power Siting Board Case No. 20-938-EL-BNR
Date: Thursday, May 7, 2020 9:28:00 AM
Attachments: [Letter to Public Officials-Hillcrest.pdf](#)
[image001.png](#)

Good Morning Ms. Bolender:

My apologies – I tried to send this yesterday, however, I had the incorrect email address.

Please see attached letter relating to the above-referenced matter.

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