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Re: In the Matter of the Application of **HARDIN WIND ENERGY LLC** for a Certificate to Site a Wind-Powered Electric Generation Facility in Hardin County, Ohio
Case No. 09-479-EL-REN

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

This letter is a pre-application notification letter of Hardin Wind Energy LLC to the Ohio Power Siting Board as required by Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") Rule 4906-17-08 (A). Hardin Wind Energy LLC, an affiliate of Invenergy Wind Development LLC, proposes to construct a 300 megawatt Hardin Wind Farm in Hardin County, Ohio. The company will be filing a motion for certain waiver requests, with the certificate application being filed in early July 2009.

In accordance with OAC Rule 4906-5-08(A) of the Ohio Administrative Code, Hardin Wind Energy LLC provides the following information:

- **Project Description.** The Hardin Wind Farm will be located in Hardin County, Ohio, just to the east of the City of Kenton. Three wind measurement towers were erected in Hardin County in early June 2008, February 2009 and April 2009, respectively, to ensure that the wind turbines are located in the windiest (and most productive) areas of Hardin County. The Hardin Wind Farm itself will consist of either 120 turbines with a name-plate capacity of 2.5 MW, or 200 turbines with a name-plate capacity of 1.5 MW manufactured by

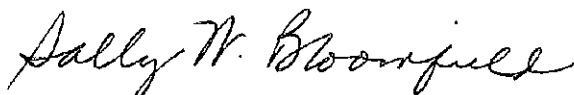
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General Electric,¹ as well associated infrastructure (i.e. access roads, construction staging areas, operations and maintenance facilities). The wind turbine array will be spread across 23,000 acres of leased land in Hardin County, and traverse through six (6) primarily agricultural townships (Lynn, Cessna, Marion, Roundhead, McDonald, and Taylor Creek). The permanent footprint of the facility will be approximately 1 acre per wind turbine. Interconnection will be accomplished through PJM, and the company currently has two different potential locations for interconnection: one on the smaller East Lima 138kV transmission line and one on the larger Marysville Substation- East Lima Substation 345kV steel pole line.

- **Pre-Application Public Informational Meeting.** Hardin Wind Energy LLC will be holding a public information meeting from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm on Tuesday, June 23 2009 at Henry's Restaurant, which is located at 995 North Detroit Street, Kenton, Ohio. The program will provide an overview of the Hardin Wind Farm and allow company representatives will be available to respond to any inquiries posed by community members.
- **Anticipated Waivers.** Pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code Rules 4906-01-03 and Rule 4906-7-12(C), Hardin Wind Energy LLC will be asking the Board to grant certain waiver requests from the Board's filing requirements. Hardin County Wind LLC's waiver request is being filing in conjunction with this letter, and will seek the following waivers:
 - (1) From the one-year notice period as set forth in Ohio Revised Code Section ("R.C.") 4906.06(A)(6);
 - (2) From providing an extensive site selection study to the extent that Hardin Wind Energy LLC is not able to describe all the specific information listed in the site selection criteria as set forth in OAC Rule 4906-17-04(A); and
 - (3) From filing Applicant's PJM system impact studies along with the application as set forth OAC Rule 4906-17-05(D)(2), and instead allow Hardin Wind Energy LLC to late-file it immediately after it has been received.

Very truly yours,



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¹ The General Electric 2.5 MW xl wind turbine is being introduced to the market soon and will be used if economically viable.