

BEFORE

THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

In the Matter of the Application of)
Hardin Wind Energy LLC for a Certificate) Case No. 09-479-EL-REN
To Site a Wind-Powered Electric Generation)
Facility in Hardin County, Ohio.)

ENTRY

The administrative law judge finds:

- (1) On July 10, 2009, Hardin Wind Energy LLC (Applicant) filed an application for a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need to construct a 300 megawatt wind-powered electric generation facility in Hardin County, Ohio. On September 18, 2009, Applicant filed an amended application.
- (2) By letter dated October 9, 2009, the Board notified the Applicant that its application, as amended, had been certified as complete and directed the Applicant to serve appropriate government officials and public agencies with copies of the complete, certified application. Further, on October 9, 2009, in accordance with the requirements of Rule 4906-5-07, Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), the Applicant filed proofs of service of the accepted and complete application. The effective date of the filing of the application shall be October 19, 2009.
- (3) A local public hearing in this matter will be held on January 5, 2010, at 6:00 p.m., at Hardin County Courthouse, Veterans Hall, One Courthouse Square, Kenton, Ohio, 43226. The adjudicatory hearing will commence on January 12, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., in Hearing Room 11-F, at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.
- (4) Applicant should issue public notices of the application and the hearings, in accordance with Rule 4906-5-08, O.A.C. As part of the information to be included in the notices, as required by Rule 4906-5-08, O.A.C., Applicant shall include a statement that the public hearing in this case shall consist of two parts:
 - (a) a nonadjudicatory hearing, pursuant to Section 4906.08(C), Revised Code, where the Board shall accept written or oral testimony from any person January 5,

2010, at 6:00 p.m., at Hardin County Courthouse, Veterans Hall, One Courthouse Square, Kenton, Ohio, 43226; and,

- (b) an adjudicatory hearing, commencing on January 12, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Hearing Room 11-F, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.
- (5) The Board will accept petitions to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing by interested persons up to 30 days after publication of the initial public notice required by Rule 4906-5-08(B)(1), O.A.C. However, the Board strongly encourages interested persons who wish to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing to file their petitions as early as possible. Petitions should be addressed to the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 and cite the above listed case number.

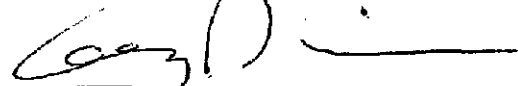
It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the hearings in this matter be scheduled at the times and places designated in Finding (3). It is, further,

ORDERED, That notices of the application and hearing be published by the Applicant in accordance with Finding (4). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry should be served upon the Applicant and its counsel, those individuals served with a copy of the certified application pursuant to Rule 4906-5-06, O.A.C., and all other interested persons of record.

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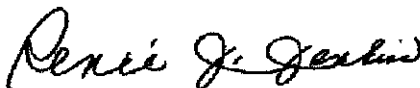


By: Gregory A. Price
Administrative Law Judge

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Secretary