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Re: Oregon Clean Energy Center Case No. 12-2959-EL-BGN

Mr. Czarny,

Thank you for contacting the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) regarding Oregon Clean Energy, LLC's proposed electric generation facility in Oregon, Ohio. Your correspondence concerning the project has been docketed in case number 12-2959-EL-BGN.

The OPSB received an application for certification from Oregon Clean Energy, LLC on January 17, 2013. On March 18, 2013 the OPSB filed its staff report of investigation, recommending to the Board that the facility be certificated. A local public hearing will be held in Oregon on April 2, 2013, and adjudicatory proceedings will be held at the Board's offices in Columbus on April 9, 2013.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact the OPSB at (866) 270.6772. Again, thank you for your interest in the case.

Very truly yours,

Kim Wissman, Executive Director Ohio Power Siting Board

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Ohio Power Siting Board c/o Kim Wissman 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215

> RE : Support of Oregon, OH Power Project Case No. 12-2959-EL-GGN

Dear Ms. Wissman,

I am writing this letter with the purpose of expressing my complete support and backing of the proposed Oregon Clean Energy Center (OCEC) project that is now being considered by the Ohio Power Siting Board.

For almost 22 years, I have been the General Manager of Maumee Bay Lodge, which is a Resort style Lodge that is situated inside of an Ohio State Park. We are located approximately 5 miles east of the proposed site of the OCEC project. Some may mistakenly believe that an operation such as ours that is centered in a pristine, natural setting would be opposed to the construction of a power plant in our area. Just the opposite is true. The benefits of this project to our Hotel, the employees, visitors and the northwest Ohio community as a whole, are enormous.

Maumee Bay State Park Lodge prides itself on the several initiatives it has taken to improve its environment stewardship of a truly natural area. We are excited to have a more environment-tally responsible power plant located in our community. We cannot escape the fact that we need to use electricity to operate but the cleaner the power the better. This will be a big step up from the current coal burning plant that is located in the same general area. We already have similar industrial operations in our community which create no adverse environmental conditions so we absolutely have no reason to believe that the OCEC project will have any negative impact on our guests, the plant and wildlife in the park, and the operations.

The economic impact that this project would create will be tremendous. My operation provides a service, which in turn requires additional staffing. The OCEC project will require the need for additional travel activity to our area. The more people that stay with me means the more hours I need to fill with new employees. The plant itself will also produce full time, long termed jobs as well as several construction jobs while the plant is being built.

The Oregon, Ohio community is a wonderful place to live and work. As with all communities, we have had our share of challenges. The OCEC project would open the door for several other possibilities to our area. I give full support for this project and I sincerely request that the Ohio Power Sitting Board make all favorable considerations for the OCEC project.

Sincerely, Patrick J. Czarny

General Manager Maumee Bay State Park Lodge