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Ms. Barcy F. McNeal, Secretary Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 E. Broad St., 11th Floor Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Re: Application for Certificate before Ohio Power Siting Board

Carroll County Energy LLC

OPSB Case No. 13-1752-EL-BGN

Dear Ms. McNeal:

Please find attached copies of the Proofs of Publication indicating that the Notice of Proposed Major Utility Facility, including notice of the public informational meeting, was published in The Repository, a newspaper of general circulation in Stark County, Ohio, on January 9, 2014, and in The Free Press Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in Carroll County, Ohio, on January 9, 2014.

Very truly yours,

Michael J. Settineri

Attorney for Carroll County Energy LLC

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The proposed Facility (which includes the power generating facility, switch yard and other ancillary equipment) will be located on an approximately 77 acre property (the Facility Site). The Facility Site is located entirely within Washington Township, Carroll County, Ohio (approximately 2.5 miles north of the Village of Carrollton and approximately 0.8 mile south of State Route 171).

Within the Facility Site, the power generating facility and ancillary equipment will be located on approximately 14 acres and the switchyard will be located on an adjacent 3 acres. Access to the Facility will be off Route 9, extending across an approximately 23 acre parcel of land located between the Facility Site and Route 9. This 23 acre parcel is available for temporary use during Facility construction (the Construction Laydown Area). A 75 foot wide natural gas pipeline easement will extend approximately 0.4 mile north from the Facility Site to connect the Facility to the existing Tennessee Gas Pipeline, and an electric transmission easement will extend to the existing American Electric Power 345 kilovolt transmission line located approximately 0.4 mile west of the Facility.

The Facility will help meet energy demand in the region, particularly in light of announced generating capacity retirements. The Facility will provide additional base load and peaking capacity via its natural gas-fired combined-cycle technology.

Carroll County Energy LLC has filed with the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board or Power Siting Board) an application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Construct an Electric Generation Facility in Case No. 13 1752 EL BGN, now pending before the Board.

Carroll County Commissioners (Wheaton, Wirkner and Ohler), Washington Township Trustees (Davis, Keyser and Shafer), the Carroll County Regional Planning Director Dodd and Mr. Ralph Castellucci of the Carroll County Environmental Services have each received a copy of the accepted application pursuant to Rule 4906-5-06 of the Ohio Administrative Code. A copy of the application has also been sent to the Carroll County District Library, 70 Second Street, N.E., Carrollton, Ohio 44615.

The Board considers the eight criteria set forth in section 4906.10(A) of the Revised Code when reviewing an application for a certificate to construct, operate and maintain a facility such as the Facility. The criteria, as listed in section 4906.10(A) of the Revised Code, are:

- (1) The basis of the need for the facility if the facility is an electric transmission line or a natural gas transmission line;
- (2) The nature of the probable environmental impact;
- (3) That the facility represents the minimum adverse environmental impact, considering the state of available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives, and other pertinent considerations:
- (4) In the case of an electric transmission line or generating facility, that the facility is consistent with the regional plans for expansion of the electric power grid of the electric systems serving this state and interconnected utility systems and that the facility will serve the interests of electric system economy and reliability;
- (5) That the facility will comply with Chapters 3704, 3734 and 6111 of the Revised Code and all rules and standard adopted under those chapters and under sections 1501.33, 1501.34, and 4561.32 of the Revised Code. In determining whether the facility will comply with all rules and standards adopted under section 4561.32 of the Revised Code, the Board shall consult with the offices of aviation of the division of multi-modal planning and programs of the department of transportation under section 4561.34.1 of the Revised Code.

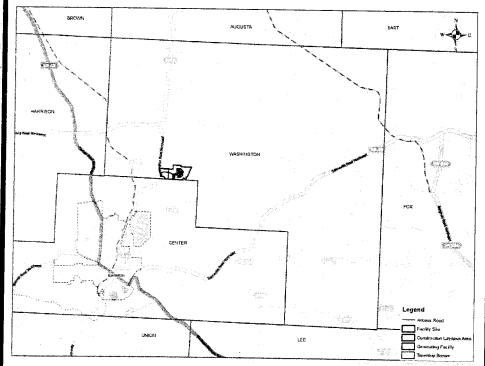
- (6) That the facility will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity;
- (7) In addition to the provisions contained in divisions (A)(1) to (6) of this section and rules adopted under those divisions, what its impact will be on the viability as agricultural land of any land in an existing agricultural district established under Chapter 929 of the Revised Code that is located within the site and alternative site of the proposed major utility facility. Rules adopted to evaluate impact under division (A)(7) of this section shall not require the compilation, creation, submission or production of any information, document, or other data pertaining to land not located within the site and alternative site.
- (8) That the facility incorporates maximum feasible water conservation practices as determined by the Board, considering available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives. Section 4906.07 of the Revised Code provides:
- (A) Upon the receipt of an application complying with section 4906.06 of the Revised Code, the Power Siting Board shall promptly fix a date for a public hearing thereon, not less than sixty nor more than ninety days after such receipt and shall conclude the proceeding as expeditiously as practicable.
- (B) On an application for an amendment of a certificate the Power Siting Board shall hold a hearing in the same manner as a hearing is held on an application for a certificate if the proposed change in the facility would result in a material increase in any environmental impact of the facility or a substantial change in the location of all or a portion of such facility other than as provided in the alternates set forth in the application.
- (C) The chairman of the Power Siting Board shall cause each application filed with the Board to be investigated and shall, not less than fifteen days prior to the date of any application is set for hearing submit a written report to the Power Siting Board and to the applicant. A copy of such report shall be made available to any person upon request. Such report shall set forth the nature of the investigation, and shall contain recommended findings with regard to division (A) of section 4906.10 of the Revised Code and shall become part of the record and served upon all parties in the proceeding.

The public hearing shall consist of two parts:

- (a) A local public hearing in which the Board shall accept written or oral testimony from any person commencing on March 6, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. at Carrollton High School, Fine Arts Room, 252 Third Street NE, Carrollton, Ohio 44615 and
- (b) An adjudicatory hearing to commence on March 13, 2014 at 10:00 A.M., 11th Floor, Hearing Room C, at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

Section 4906.08(C) of the Revised Code provides:

(C) The Board shall accept written or oral testimony from any person at the public hearing but the right to call and examine witnesses shall be reserved for parties. However, the Board may adopt rules to exclude repetitive, immaterial, or irrelevant testimony.



Petitions to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing will be accepted by the Board up to 30 days following publication of the notice required by Rule 4906-5-08(C)(1) of the Ohio Administrative Code, or later if good cause is shown. However, the Board strongly encourages interested persons who wish to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing to file their petitions as soon as possible but by no later than February 18, 2014. Petitions should be addressed to Docketing Division, the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, and cite Case No. 13-1752-EL-BGN.

The map shows the proposed layout of the facility.

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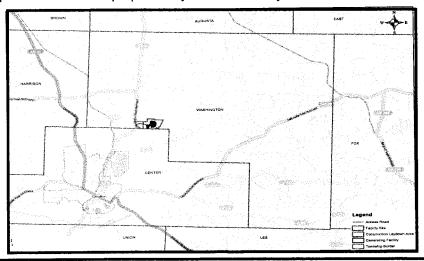
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