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Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Barcy McNeal Administration/Docketing Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor Columbus, OH 43215-3793

## Re: Guernsey Power Station, LLC, OPSB Case No. 16-2443-EL-BGN

Dear Ms. McNeal:

I am attaching for filing in the above-referenced matter, the proof of publication attesting to the publication of the first Notice of Proposed Major Utility Facility. The notice was published in the *Daily Jeffersonian* on May 31, 2017.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Sally W. Bloomfield

Attachment

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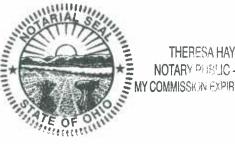
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# Notice of Proposed Major Utility Facility

### FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Guernsey Power Station LLC proposes to construct, own and operate a 1,650 megawatt (MW) gas fired, combined cycle power station, Guernsey Power Station, to be located in Valley Township, Guernsey County off of Puritan Street. Seneca Lane, Interstate 77, Clay Pike Road, and a private rail line generally border the project area.

The project will consist of three gas fired, high efficiency combustion turbines, each using a gas and steam turbine with a heat recovery steam generator. It will use high efficiency air cooled technology. The plant will be served by natural gas from one or more pipelines. The generating station will be interconnected to a 745 kV transmission line located on the project property. Water and wastewater services will be supplied by the Village of Byesville. Construction of the project is estimated to begin in first quarter of 2018, with projected commercial operation to begin in third quarter 2020.

#### LOCATION AND GENERAL LAYOUT

The general location and planned project layout of Guernsey Power Station is shown on the map below.

APPLICATION NOW PENDING Guernsey Power Station LLC has an Application pending before the Ohio Power Siting Board. The assigned docket

number for the Application is Case No. 16-2443-EL-BGN, and copies of all filings in the case can be located at the Ohlo Power Sitting Board website at (http://www. opsb.ohlo.gov) by scrolling down to "Pending

Cases" and selecting the case by name or docket number. To view the filings, click the case number for the case record

PUBLIC OFFICIALS SERVED WITH COPIES OF THE APPLICATION

The following public officials were served with a copy of the Application: Guernsey County Commissioners Ernest Gardner, David Wilson,



and David Saff; Guernsey County Engineer Paul Sherry; the Guernsey County Planning Commission; and Valley Township Trustees Jim Conrad, Kristy Launder, and Terry Williams. A copy of the Application is also available for public inspection at the Guernsey County District Public Library, 800 Steubenville Avenue, Cambridge, Ohio 43725.

## OHIO POWER SITING BOARD APPLICATION REVIEW CRITERIA

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4906.10(A) the Ohio Power Siting Board shall not grant a certificate for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a major utility facility, either as proposed or as modified by the Board, unless it finds and determines all of the following: (1) The basis of the need for the facility; (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, that the facility is consistent with 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 standards 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 office of aviation of the division of multimodal planning and programs of the department of transportation under Section 4561.341 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; and (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.

## STATEMENT PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4906.07

Upon the receipt of an application complying with Section 4906.06 of the Revised Code, the Ohio 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. The public hearing for this case shall consist of two parts:

(1) A local public hearing, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4906.08(C) where the Board shall accept written or oral testimony from any person. The local public hearing date is August 15, 2017, at 6:00p.m., in the cafeteria at the Meadowbrook High School, 58615 Marietta Road, Byesville, OH 43723; and,

(2) The date for the adjudicatory hearing has been scheduled for August 23, 2017 at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 11th Floor Hearing Room 11-D, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

The chairman of the Ohio Power Siting Board shall cause each application filed with the Ohio Power Siting Board to be investigated and shall, not less than fifteen days prior to the date any application is set for hearing, submit a written report to the Ohio 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 the report 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 to the proceeding.

## STATEMENT OF OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4906.08(C)

The Ohio Power Siting 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 the publication of this notice required by Ohio Adm. Code Rule 4906-3-09, or by August 1, 2017, whichever is later. However the Board strongly encourages interested persons who wish to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing to file their petitions as soon as This foregoing document was electronically filed with the Public Utilities

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