BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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In the Matter of the : Application of Guernsey Power :

Station, LLC, for a : Case No.

Certificate of Environmental: 16-2443-EL-BGN

Compatibility and Public Need:
for an Electric Generating:
Facility in Guernsey County,:
Ohio.:

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Before Administrative Law Judge Nick Walstra, held at the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Hearing Room 11-D, Columbus, Ohio, on Wednesday, August 23, 2017, at 10:00 A.M.

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1 Wednesday Morning, 2 August 23, 2017. 3 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 4 5 The Ohio Power Siting Board has called for 6 hearing Case No. 16-2443-EL-BGN being In the 7 Matter of the Application of Guernsey Power Station, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental 8 9 Compatibility and Public Need for an Electric 10 Generating Facility in Guernsey County, Ohio. 11 My name is Nick Walstra, I am 12 the Administrative Law Judge assigned by 13 the Board to hear this case. We will begin by 14 taking appearances of the parties. On behalf of 15 Guernsey Power Station. 16 MS. BLOOMFIELD: Yes. Your Honor, 17 on behalf the Applicant the law firm of Bricker 18 & Eckler, Sally W. Bloomfield and Dylan F. 19 Borchers. Address is 100 South Third Street, 20 Columbus, Ohio 43215. 2.1 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 22 Thank you. On behalf of Aspire. 23 MS. PIRIK: On behalf of Aspire, the 24 law firm of Dickinson Wright, Christine Pirik. 25 Our law firm address is 150 East Gay Street,

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6 Columbus, Ohio 43215. 1 2 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 3 Thank you. On behalf of Staff. MR. LINDGRIN: On behalf of the 4 5 Staff of the Ohio Power Siting Board, Ohio 6 Attorney General Mike DeWine, by Thomas G. 7 Lindgrin, Assistant Attorney General. The address is 30 East Broad Street, 16th floor, 8 Columbus, Ohio 43215. 9 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 10 11 Thank you. I understand a stipulation has been 12 filed in this case. 13 MS. BLOOMFIELD: Yes, your Honor. And off the record we have marked that as Joint 14 Exhibit 1. 15 16 And in addition the Applicant has a 17 number of exhibits, the first one being the 18 Application. 19 And then there is Proof of Service 20 that is Exhibit 2. And there are two 2.1 publications which are the first legal notice 22 which is Applicant's Exhibit 3. A second legal 23 notice is Applicant's Exhibit 4. 24 And the updated testimony of Michael

King is Applicant's Exhibit 5.

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7 1 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 2 So marked. 3 MS. BLOOMFIELD: Those are referenced in the joint stipulation, yes. 4 5 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 6 Thank you. 7 (EXHIBITS MARKED FOR THE PURPOSE OF 8 IDENTIFICATION) 9 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 10 Are you going to call any witnesses? 11 MS. BLOOMFIELD: Yes, your Honor. 12 At this point I would call Michael King. 13 (WITNESS SWORN) 14 15 MICHAEL KING called as a witness, being first duly sworn, 16 17 testified as follows: 18 DIRECT EXAMINATION By Ms. Bloomfield: 19 20 Q. Mr. King, would you indicate your 2.1 name and by whom you are employed for the 2.2 record? 23 My name is Michael King, and I am a 24 managing partner at Apex Power Group and an 25 authorized representative of Guernsey Power

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- Thank you. Do you have before you Q. what has been marked as Applicant's Exhibit 5, which is the Updated Direct Testimony of Michael King?
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- 7 Q. And is this your testimony?
- 8 It is my testimony. Α.
- Q. Was it prepared under your 10 supervision?
- 11 Yes, it was. Α.
- 12 And if I were to ask you the Ο. 13 questions in this Applicant's Exhibit 5 today 14 would your answers be the same?
- 15 Α. Yes.
- 16 Do you have any corrections or Ο. 17 deletions?
- 18 Α. No.
- 19 MS. BLOOMFIELD: Your Honor, I have 20 no further questions.
- 2.1 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA:
- 22 Thank you. Any cross-examination?
- 23 MS. PIRIK: None, your Honor.
- 24 MR. LINDGRIN: None, your Honor.
- 25 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA:

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     You are all set. Thank you.
                 MS. BLOOMFIELD: Your Honor, I can
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     wait until the end to move the Applicant's
     Exhibits 1 through 5, or wait for the Staff,
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     whichever you prefer.
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     We can do them all at the end. Mr. Lindgrin.
                 MR. LINDGRIN: Your Honor, I do not
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     plan to introduce any witness today, but I have
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    marked as Staff Exhibit 1 the Staff Report of
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     Investigation.
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                 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA:
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     Okay. That will be so marked.
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                 (EXHIBIT MARKED FOR THE PURPOSE OF
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     IDENTIFICATION)
                 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA:
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     So at this point --
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                 MS. BLOOMFIELD: At this point, your
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     Honor, I would move acceptance of Applicant's
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     Exhibits 1 through 5 and Joint Exhibit 1, which
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     is the stipulation that was filed yesterday.
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                 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA:
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     Okay. Any objections?
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                 MS. PIRIK: No objection, your
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10 1 MR. LINDGRIN: No objection. 2 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 3 They will be admitted. (EXHIBITS ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE) 4 5 MR. LINDGRIN: Your Honor, I would move the admission of Staff Exhibit 1. 6 7 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 8 Any objections? MS. PIRIK: No objections. 9 10 MS. BLOOMFIELD: No 11 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 12 Staff Exhibit 1 will be admitted. 13 (EXHIBIT ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE) 14 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 15 Anything else to come before the Bench? 16 MS. BLOOMFIELD: Not by us, your 17 Honor. 18 MR. LINDGRIN: No, your Honor. ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WALSTRA: 19 20 All right. Then the Board will take this under 2.1 advisement, and we are adjourned. Thank you. 2.2 MS. BLOOMFIELD: Thank you, your

(At 10:10 A.M. the hearing was

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concluded)

CERTIFICATE I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on August 23, 2017, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes. Michael O. Spencer, Registered Professional Reporter.

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