

1 PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

2 PUBLIC HEARING

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4 CASE NUMBER:

5 17-2084-EL-BTX

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7 Tuesday, September 12, 2018

8 6:00 p.m.

9 held at 200 West Market Street

10 Cadiz, Ohio

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12 Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

13 Local Public Hearing, in The Matter of the
14 Application of the Harrison Power Transmission,
15 LLC, the birth certificate of environmental
16 compatibility and public need for the
17 construction of the Harrison Power 138 kilovolt
18 transmission project.

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1 HEARING OFFICER: Why don't we go
2 on the record at this time.

3 The Ohio Power Siting Board is
4 assigned for public hearing at this time
5 and place Case No. 17-2084-EL-BTX, which
6 is captioned In The Matter of the
7 Application of the Harrison Power
8 Transmission, LLC, the birth certificate
9 of environmental compatibility and
10 public need for the construction of the
11 Harrison Power 138 kilovolt transmission
12 project.

13 My name is Jay Arganoff, and I'm
14 the administrative law judge assigned
15 by the Ohio Power Siting Board to
16 preside over this local public hearing.

17 At this time we will take the
18 appearances of the parties. On behalf
19 of the applicant?

20 MR. SETTINERI: Thank you, Your
21 Honor. On behalf of Harrison Power
22 Transmission, LLC, Michael Settineri
23 with law firm of Vorys, Sater, Seymour
24 and Pease, 52 East Gay Street, Columbus,
25 Ohio, 43215.

1 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you.

2 Are there any other entities that
3 are parties to this proceeding that are
4 present at this particular time and
5 would like to make an appearance?

6 If not, let the record reflect that
7 pursuant to the entry of May 3rd, 2018,
8 Hess Ohio Developments, LLC was granted
9 intervention in this matter.

10 The subject of this evening's
11 public hearing is the application filed
12 with the Board on January 24th, 2018 as
13 modified on June 27th, 2018.
14 Specifically, in this case, Harrison
15 Power seeks to construct a new 138
16 kilovolt KB transmission line in
17 Harrison County, Ohio. The new
18 transmission line will connect the
19 recently-approved Harrison transmission
20 substation in Harrison County to the
21 Harrison County Industrial Park. And
22 according to application, the purposes
23 of the proposed project is to deliver
24 the generated energy from the new
25 facility to the electric grid.

1 I would note that the adjudicatory
2 hearing in this proceeding is now
3 scheduled for 10:00 a.m. and on Friday,
4 September 21st, 2018 at the offices of
5 the Ohio Power Siting Board in Columbus.
6 The applicant plans an in-service date
7 of sometime subsequent to approval from
8 the Ohio Power Siting Board. In this
9 case, the company has proposed a
10 preferred and an alternative route.

11 The purposes of this Evening's
12 hearing is to receive comments from the
13 public regarding Harrison Power's
14 application in this case. It is not
15 intended to be a question-and-answer
16 session, but instead provide the public
17 with an opportunity to let the Board
18 know its thoughts about the proposal set
19 forth in the application and preferences
20 relative to the proposed and preferred
21 alternative routes. I would also note
22 that the Board staff filed a report of
23 investigation in this case on August
24 28th, 2018. This is simply a
25 recommendation of the Board staff and

1 does not necessarily reflect what the
2 Board's final determination in this case
3 will be.

4 Finally, if there are any members
5 of the media that a present, if they
6 could please contact the Board staff and
7 let them know of their names and contact
8 information, they will be provided with
9 information regarding this case.

10 At this time point in time are
11 there any members of the public in
12 attendance that would like to testify?
13 If not, why don't we wait about another
14 30 minutes and see whether anybody does
15 express an interest. And if not, we
16 will, at that point in time, be
17 adjourned. Thank you.

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19 (Recess taken.)

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21 HEARING OFFICER: Why don't we just
22 go back on the record and wrap it up.
23 At this point in time it is now almost
24 7:00, and it does not appear that there
25 are any members from the public in

1 attendance that would like to testify.

2 So at this point time we are adjourned.

3 Thank you.

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5 (Hearing adjourned at 6:58 p.m.)

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