

**BEFORE
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Application of Angelina :
Solar I, LLC for a Certificate of : Case No. 18-1579-EL-BGN
Environmental Compatibility and Public Need :

**PREFILED TESTIMONY
OF
JASON CROSS**

**BUSINESS RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OHIO POWER SITING BOARD STAFF**

Staff Ex. ____

May 10, 2019

1 1. Q. Please state your name and business address.

2 A. My name is Jason A. Cross, and my business address is 180 East Broad
3 Street, 6th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

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5 2. Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?

6 A. I am employed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission) as
7 a Business Process Analyst 2, in the Information Technology division of the
8 Commission's Business Resources Department. At the time of the issuance
9 of the staff report I was a Utilities Specialist 3, in the GIS and Operations
10 division of the Commission's Rates and Analysis Department.

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12 3. Q. Please summarize your educational background and work experience.

13 A. I received an Associates of Science degree in Electronics Engineering
14 Technology from ITT Technical Institute in 1993 and a Bachelor of Science
15 degree in Electronics Engineering Technology from DeVry University in
16 1998.

17 I have been employed by the Commission for roughly eighteen years, from
18 2001 to present. While employed in the Rates and Analysis Department, my
19 responsibilities at the Commission have primarily involved engineering,
20 including, but not limited to, grid interconnection, Ohio's bulk electric
21 system, and regional transmission organizations. I have been the Staff

expert on grid interconnection related items in over one hundred staff reports.

4. Q. Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board)?

A. Yes. The most recent case I testified in was an American Electric Power Ohio Transmission Company (Case No. 11-1313-EL-BSB) proceeding. In addition, I have assisted in the preparation of multiple staff reports and investigations before the Board and the Commission.

5. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

A. With my testimony, I am sponsoring a portion of the Staff Report of Investigation (Staff Report). Specifically, I was a Staff analyst for portions of the Staff Report pertaining to whether the Applicant has provided information 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.

6. Q. Does this facility serve the electric system economy and reliability?

A. The Applicant included PJM Interconnection, LLC's (PJM) System Impact Study (SIS) in its application. The SIS showed that there would be no

1 reliability problem with the project. PJM, as the responsible party for the
2 regional transmission system, established that no reliability violations
3 would occur with this project. Furthermore, the project would provide
4 additional electrical generation to the regional transmission grid.
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6 7. Q. Where you responsible for any specific conditions in the Staff Report? If so,
7 which ones?

8 A. Yes, condition 27.
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10 8. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

11 A. Yes it does. However, I reserve the right to submit supplemental testimony
12 as described herein, as new information subsequently becomes available or
13 in response to positions taken by other parties.
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PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Prefiled Testimony of Jason Cross, submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Ohio Power Siting Board, was served via electronic mail upon the below parties.

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