

**BEFORE
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Application of :
Angelina Solar I, LLC for a Certificate of :
Environmental Compatibility and Public : Case No. 18-1579-EL-BGN
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**PREFILED TESTIMONY
OF
Mark Bellamy
SITING, EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF RATES AND ANALYSIS
OHIO POWER SITING BOARD STAFF**

Staff Ex. ____

May 10, 2019

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

2 A. My name is Mark C. Bellamy. My business address is 180 East Broad
3 Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.
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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 Utility Specialist in the Siting, Efficiency & Renewable Energy Division
8 of the Rates and Analysis Department.
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10 3. Q. Please summarize your educational background.

11 A. My education includes earning a Bachelor of Science in Education degree in
12 Chemistry from Arkansas State University.
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14 4. Q. Please summarize your work experience.

15 A. Prior to my employment with the Commission, I served 6 years in the U.S.
16 Navy as a Machinist's Mate on a submarine. I operated and maintained
17 atmosphere control equipment, as well as performed duties as a quality
18 assurance inspector. After the Navy, I was employed as a high school
19 science teacher. I joined the staff of the Commission in 2009. Part of my
20 duties in my current position is to help implement Ohio's Renewable
21 Portfolio Standard as well as assisting in Ohio Power Siting Board (Board)
22 case reviews and analyses.

1 5. Q. Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Board?

2 A. Yes.

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4 6. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

5 A. I am testifying in support of the Staff Report of Investigation in this case.

6 Specifically, the Noise and Agricultural District sections.

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8 7. Q. Are you testifying to any specific conditions? If so, what are they?

9 A. I am testifying to conditions 10 and 16.

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11 8. Q. Why is Staff recommending condition 10?

12 A. While Staff acknowledges that some construction noise impacts are
13 inevitable, staff recommends that most construction activities that can result
14 in noise impacts to the public be limited to hours when the majority of people
15 in the vicinity of the project are awake. Impact pile driving, hoe ram
16 operations, rock drilling and blasting, which are very loud construction
17 activities, would be limited to shorter windows of daytime hours than that
18 allowed for general construction activities.

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20 9. Q. Do you have a clarification to make to condition 16?

21 A. Yes. In order to clarify the details of condition 16, it should read as follows:

1 The Applicant shall avoid, where possible, or minimize to the extent
2 practicable, any damage to functioning field tile drainage systems and soils
3 resulting from the construction, operation, and/or maintenance of the facility
4 in agricultural areas. ~~Damaged Unless otherwise agreed to by the landowner,~~
5 ~~damaged~~ field tile systems shall be promptly repaired to at least original
6 conditions or modern equivalent at the Applicant's expense. If the affected
7 landowner agrees to not having the field tile system repaired, they may do so
8 only if the field tile systems of adjacent landowners are unaffected by the
9 non-repair of the landowner's field tile system.

10 10. Q. Why is Staff recommending condition 16?

11 . A. Agricultural crop fields make up most of the project and adjacent areas.
12 Functioning drain tiles are important to the continued operation of the
13 agricultural crop fields. Staff recommends through condition 16 that the
14 Applicant avoid drain tiles when possible and that any drain tiles that are
15 damaged be repaired in accordance with the requirements of the affected
16 landowner(s).

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18 11. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

19 A. Yes, it does. However, I reserve the right to submit supplemental testi-
20 mony, as new information subsequently becomes available or in response to
21 positions taken by other parties.

PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Prefiled Testimony of Mark Bellamy, submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Ohio Power Siting Board, was served via electronic mail, upon the following parties of record, this 10th day of May, 2019.

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