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Re: Case No. 19-1641-EL-BGN.

In the Matter of the Application of The Ohio State University for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for a Combined Heat and Power Major Unit Facility in Franklin County, Ohio on the Campus of The Ohio State University.

Dear Ms. Turkenton and Ms. Troupe:

This letter serves as the pre-application notification letter to the Ohio Power Siting Board ("OPSB" or "Board") of The Ohio State University's ("Applicant" or "Ohio State") application for its proposed Combined Heat and Power ("CHP") major utility facility on the Ohio State Columbus campus in Clinton Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

In accordance with Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") Rule 4906-3-03(A), Applicant provides the following information:

Project Description. The CHP facility will produce thermal energy powered by natural gas while introducing electric generation on campus. The general purpose of the project is for the CHP facility to be a primary source of heating and electricity to Ohio State's Columbus campus.

The CHP major unit facility site is located on 1.35 acres on an area previously disturbed for the Howlett Greenhouse operations on the campus of Ohio State. The site is on the corner of John H. Herrick Drive and Vernon L. Tharp Street adjacent to the Galbreath Equine Center, Parker Food and Science Technology Building, Howlett Greenhouses, and Howlett Hall. Two natural gas combustion turbine generators and one steam turbine generator will be installed with a maximum power generation capacity of 105.5 MW and a maximum heating capacity of 285 klb/h steam. "Associated facilities" as defined by the Board's rules will consist of buried utility lines except where the utility line(s) will be attached underneath a new bridge crossing the Olentangy River just south of Ohio Stadium. The buried utility line(s) will be located on the Ohio State campus in previously disturbed areas through lawns, streets, roads, sidewalks and parking lots within the urbanized area developed for the campus. Construction of the CHP facility is projected to begin in the spring of 2020 and be completed in the autumn of 2021.

Pre-Application Public Informational Meeting. Ohio State has arranged for a public community meeting to be held on September 26, 2019 on the campus of Ohio State at the Fawcett Center, 2400 Olentangy River Road, Columbus, OH 43210 between the hours of 5:30 and 7:30 pm. Free parking will be available. The meeting format will be similar to an open house and stations with information about the CHP project presented on boards held by easels that will be arranged throughout the room. Maps of the project area will be available to review. Representatives of Ohio State's long-term energy partner, Ohio State Energy Partners LLC, and Utility System operator, ENGIE Buckeye Operations LLC, will be in attendance to answer questions. Those who attend the meeting may write comments that the Applicant will summarize and include in its application.

Anticipated Waivers. At this time, the Applicant anticipates requesting a waiver from OAC 4906-4-08(A)(3)(c) to allow for a modification of the identification of noise sensitive locations within one mile of the facility. Applicant also anticipates requesting a waiver from OAC 4906-4-08(D)(4) to allow for a modification of the visual impact study to better account for the urban nature of the project.

Very truly yours,



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cc: Trevor Alexander

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