

**From:** [Butler, Matthew](#)  
**To:** [Puco Docketing](#)  
**Subject:** comment for 20-1605-EL-BGN  
**Date:** Monday, November 23, 2020 7:49:02 AM

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**From:** bob mayer <bmayer1932@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 22, 2020 6:57 PM  
**To:** Butler, Matthew <matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>  
**Cc:** Trombold, Beth <Beth.Trombold@puco.ohio.gov>; birchsolar@lightsourcebp.com  
**Subject:** Birch Solar Project Public Meeting (20-1605-EL-BGN)

Hello Mr. Butler:

I was not able to gain web access to the virtual public information meeting on Friday. This was very stressful and time consuming as I attempted on more than 5 computers. After totally stressing about the problem, I realized that the situation was created intentionally by Lightsource BP to discourage attendance.

How can we trust Lightsource BP when they can't even be sufficiently transparent to offer a meeting to everyone that opposes the project? OR. How can Lightsource BP operate a large solar facility when they can't even effectively offer a virtual meeting?

We already had to make a trade off by not having a F2F meeting. Listening to the meeting on a phone line is not an acceptable option. What changes are happening for Monday to make sure that virtual access is available? You will not be able to trust Lightsource BP again. A back up plan is needed.

Additionally, scheduling on a Friday evening before the weekend is inconvenient. Furthermore, scheduling the same week as the Thanksgiving holiday is unacceptable. Clearly the available time options are being done to discourage attendance.

Collectively the signal is clear. No F2F options with social distancing requirements enforced. Failing technology. Inconvenient times. Make it as hard as possible to participate.

Thank you.

Dr. Bob Mayer

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**From:** Cynthia Kennedy <cynkennedy79@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 20, 2020 6:40 PM  
**To:** Puco ContactOPSB <contactopsb@puco.ohio.gov>  
**Subject:** 20-1605-EL-BGN: Birch Solar Project

I am trying to attend the Lighthouse BP virtual meeting tonight and the site keeps lagging. Not happy about this. Also, requested a paper copy of their presentation from them and never received it.

I would like to request these meetings be rescheduled again in December with the Holidays in mind.

Very frustrating if they can't get the notification mailings or virtual meeting correct what else will be messed up or over looked along the way.

Thank you.  
Cynthia Kennedy

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**From:** Mark Wellman <mwellman97@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 20, 2020 10:34 PM  
**To:** Butler, Matthew <matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>  
**Subject:** Thank you & Future Steps

Hi Matt:

Thank you for facilitating the event tonight.

As you know, I did not get to see the presentation tonight.

I would like to see the presentation with the powerpoint slides. I do not think this is too much to ask. What steps will be taken to offer a reliable virtual public information session?

Another session needs to be held beyond the one on the week of Thanksgiving.

Kind Regards,  
Mark Wellman

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**From:** John Newland <jnewland001@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 20, 2020 10:16 PM  
**To:** Butler, Matthew <matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: Phones are not working

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**From:** John Newland  
**Sent:** Friday, November 20, 2020 7:13 PM  
**To:** [matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov](mailto:matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov) <[matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov](mailto:matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov)>  
**Subject:** Phones are not working

Phones are not working. Keep going with questions being answered. It's are right!

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**From:** Mark Wellman <mwellman97@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 20, 2020 7:41 PM  
**To:** Butler, Matthew <matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>  
**Subject:** Questions

Hello Matt:

I am still having challenges with access. The concern I would like to address covers Christine Pirik who is serving as the legal counsel for Lightsource BP.

As background, for a number of years Christine Pirik served as the commission's Chief of Staff and Deputy Legal Director for the PUCO

My understanding is that her duties as a regulator included managing 400 employees, overseeing legal and technical functions of the PUCO agencies.

I see this as adding to swap as it is a significant conflict of interest.

Given the conflict, she should remove herself.

**However, if she does not remove herself, explain the process that we can use to further expose the conflict?**

Thank you.

Mark wellman

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**To:** Butler, Matthew <[matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov](mailto:matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Friday night Solar Meeting

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** John Newland <[jnewland001@hotmail.com](mailto:jnewland001@hotmail.com)>  
**Date:** November 20, 2020 at 7:11:45 PM EST  
**To:** [matthew.butler@puco.ohio](mailto:matthew.butler@puco.ohio)  
**Subject:** Friday night Solar Meeting

I am so frustrated. It took me 15 minutes into the meeting before I could get the video. The presentation keeps freezing up and skips ahead when it unfreezes. I missed the whole construction video. I try to type questions in a small box with limited characters. I have not had one question answered yet, Now the whole connection is lost. I call the phone number and it tells me the access code is invalid. I give up. I feel cheated, ignored and misled. I'm done.

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**From:** Mark Wellman <mwellman97@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 20, 2020 7:12 PM  
**To:** Butler, Matthew <matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>  
**Subject:** Update

As an update, problems continue:

7:10



## Jim's Post



**Kyle Kuhbander**

I've asked Maybe 20 questions with not one response. Also keeping everyone's questions hidden means we have no proof of what's asked!

Also posted that smh.

16m Like Reply



**Rachel Stombaugh** 🖐️

I've asked many questions as well. This is ridiculous they need to get to the communities concerns and questions.

13m Like Reply



**Jeremy Bowersock**

We got online and are asking questions, they are limiting the amount of questions

with time restrictions

6m Like Reply



**Cynthia Kennedy**

I am able to ask questions online but video is frozen. Phone no longer works either. I have posted a public comment and emailed Matt butler with OPSB already.

6m Like Reply



**Andrew Golden** 🖐️

I still cannot call back in. I did manage to get back online. I do not agree that questions are not being shown.



Write a comment...



On Fri, Nov 20, 2020 at 6:20 PM [matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov](mailto:matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov) <[matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov](mailto:matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov)> wrote:

Making folks aware. Thank you

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**Sent:** Friday, November 20, 2020 6:19 PM

**To:** Butler, Matthew <[matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov](mailto:matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov)>

**Subject:** urgent

Matt:

The web site is not working.

Please advise as soon as possible.

Kind Regards,

Mark Wellman

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**To:** Butler, Matthew <matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>  
**Subject:**

I'm formally requesting a copy of ALL questions asked online along with the replies of lightsource BP or lack there of. Keeping these questions hidden gives us no proof they were asked or responded too. This is due to the motion that was granted allowing this BS virtual meeting to take place under guise of Covid 19!

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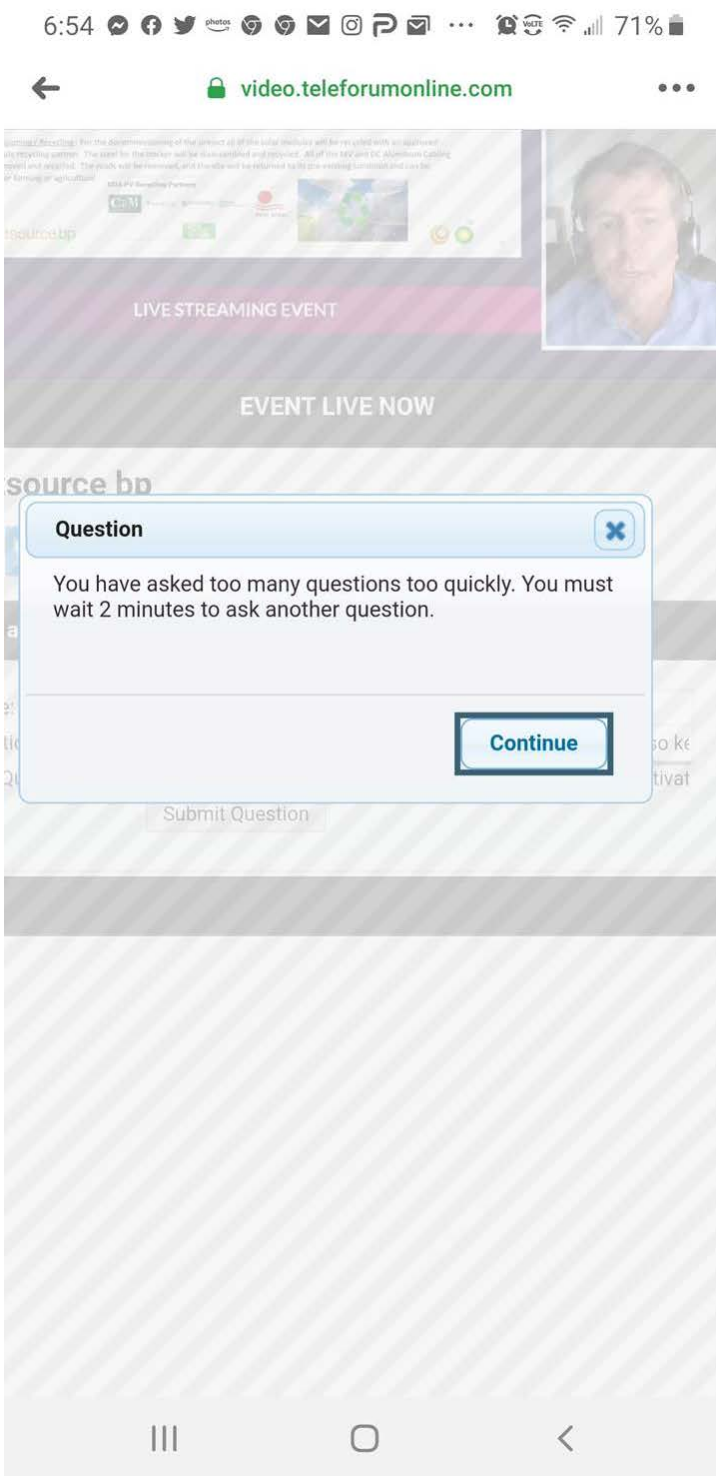
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**To:** Butler, Matthew <matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>  
**Subject:** birch solar

Keeping questions hidden gives us no proof it ass asked smh. This is a fn joke !



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**Subject:** birch solar issues

Personally cannot get the phone access code to accept and allow me to be apart of this meeting!

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