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Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Tanowa Troupe Administration/Docketing Ohio Power Siting Board 180 East Broad Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Re: Union Ridge Solar, LLC,

OPSB Case No. 20-1757-EL-BGN

Dear Ms. Troupe:

Pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") 4906-3-03(B)(2) Union Ridge Solar, LLC files notice that on February 3, 2021, the attached letter (Attachment 1) was mailed via first class mail to each property owner and affected tenant within the project area as listed on Attachment 2 at least 21 days before the informational meeting.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dylan F. Borchers

Attachments



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ATTACHMENT 1

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February 3, 2021

Via First Class U.S. Mail

Ohio Power Siting Board Application of Union Ridge Solar, LLC for a Certificate of Re: Environmental Compatibility and Public Need

- ) Property Owners of Land Leased for the Project:
- Dear
- ) Tenants of Land Leased for the Project:
- ) Property Owners of Land Next to Land Leased for the Project:
- ) Tenants of Land Next to Land Leased for the Project

### Introduction

As the attorney representing Union Ridge Solar, LLC ("Union Ridge") before the Ohio Power Siting Board ("Board"), I am sending this letter as required by Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") Rule 4906-3-03(B)(2), which requires the applicant to notify all property owners and affected tenants contiguous to the planned project area.

Because we may not have a list of all tenants, I request that property owners who have land along or contiguous to the project routes share this letter with their tenants or contact me with their tenants' names and addresses so that I can send them information.

### Description of Facility

Union Ridge is proposing to develop, construct, and operate a 108 megawatt ("MW") solar-powered electric generating facility (the "Facility") in Harrison Township, Licking County, Ohio.

## Description of the Certification Process

In order to construct, operate and maintain the Facility, Union Ridge must obtain permission from the Board. That permission is provided in the form of a Certificate.

In the near future, Union Ridge will submit to the Board an Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to construct, operate, and maintain the Facility. Once the application is submitted, the Board will preliminarily review the application to determine whether it is complete and contains all necessary requirements. No later than 60 days after the application is filed, the Chair of the Board will notify Union Ridge whether the application was complete and contains all necessary requirements. The docket number that has been assigned to this matter is Case No. 20-1757-EL-BGN.

Assuming the application is found to be complete, the Board is required to promptly fix dates for public hearings: one, a non-adjudicatory hearing to be held in a nearby location; and also an adjudicatory hearing



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to be held at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

Prior to the hearings, however, the application will be reviewed by the Board staff. The review must be completed and the staff must submit a written report to the Board not less than fifteen days prior to the date of the hearings and no more than 75 days from the date the application is deemed complete. The report will set forth the nature of the investigation and contain recommended findings with regard to the criteria the Board must use to review the application. A copy of the report will be made available to any person upon request.

The criteria the Board must use to review the application are as follows:

- (1) the basis of the need for the facility;
- (2) the nature of the probable environmental impact;
- (3) that the facility represents the minimum adverse environmental impact, considering the state of available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives, and other pertinent considerations;
- (4) in the case of an electric transmission line, 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;
- (5) that the facility will comply with Chapters 3704, 3734, and 6111 of the Revised Code and all rules and standards adopted under those chapters and under Sections 1501.33, 1501.34 and 4561.32 of the Revised Code;
- (6) that the facility will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity;
- (7) the impact on the viability as agricultural land of any land in an existing agricultural district established under Chapter 929 of the Revised Code that is located within the site (route) and alternative site (route) of the proposed major utility facility (pipeline);
- (8) that the facility incorporates maximum feasible water conservation practices as determined by the Board, considering available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives.

After the public hearings are completed, recent Board practice is that the Board directs the administrative law judge who presides over the hearings to prepare a draft order for its review and consideration. The Board will issue a final decision within a reasonable time after conclusion of the hearings. If a party is not satisfied with the Board's decision, an application for rehearing can be submitted and if the Board denies the rehearing application, the party can appeal to the Ohio Supreme Court.

Parties who are interested in this application may file a petition to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing or they may ask the Board to send them notices by sending the request to the Board. Petitions to intervene will be accepted by the Board up to 30 days following the publication of the newspaper notice setting the



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date for the hearings, or later, if good cause is shown. However, the Board strongly encourages interested persons who wish to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing to file their petitions as soon as possible. Petitions should be addressed to the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 and cite the above-listed Case No. 20-1757-EL-BGN.

You may access all the filings in this case at the PUCO website at <a href="https://www.puco.ohio.gov">https://www.puco.ohio.gov</a> and then click on "Docketing Information System (DIS)." Once the Docket Information System screen appears, type the case number for the Union Ridge application, Case No. 20-1757-EL-BGN, and follow the instructions to retrieve copies of all filings in the case.

The Board's address is 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793; its telephone number is (866) 270-6772; its website is <a href="http://www.opsb.ohio.gov/opsb/">http://www.opsb.ohio.gov/opsb/</a>; and its email is <a href="mailto:contactopsb@puco.ohio.gov">contactopsb@puco.ohio.gov</a>. The applicant's website is unionridgesolar.com.

# **Public Informational Meetings**

Due to the ongoing public health crisis, the public informational meetings will be held remotely. Union Ridge will facilitate an online session for the project Public Informational Meeting on February 25, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. An alternative phone-based meeting option is also available (details below). Interested persons may register for the online event at any time by visiting www.unionridgesolar.com. Upon registration, a confirmation will be sent via email with an individual link to join the meeting using your computer, tablet, or smart phone/handheld device. On February 25, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., click the "Join Webinar" link from the meeting confirmation or calendar event. A recording of the meeting will be available on the project webpage. Union Ridge is planning a second teleconference for the project Public Information Meeting on February 25, 2021 at 8:00 p.m. Printed presentation materials can be mailed in advance if requested by February 19, 2021. Please make requests for printed materials by emailing us at unionridge@leewardenergy.com or calling (214) 515-1100. On February 25, 2021 at 8:00 p.m., call in using your phone (toll free) at (866) 899-4679 and enter access code 482-026-749.

### Conclusion

We expect that the Board will conclude, as we believe, that the Facility will benefit the community and the region. If you have any questions, you may contact us at <u>unionridge@leewardenergy.com</u> or (214) 515-1100.

Sincerely,

Dvlan F. Borchers

# **ATTACHMENT 2**

Owner Name	Address	Address City	Address State	Address Zip
BLANKENSHIP PHYLLIS (TOD)	112 LAKE DR SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
MCCULLOUGH JAMES K & MELISSA L	120 YORK GATE DR	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
LUND ERIC A & KAYLYN G	130 LAKE DR SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
SHAEFFER BRIAN F & TAMALEH L	132 COVINGTON LN	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
WILLIAMSON TIMOTHY L & STACIE L	133 COVINGTON LN	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
STEMPLE BRADLEY L	156 LAKE DR	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
STEMPLE BRADLEY L JR	183 LAKE DR	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
PALSGROVE ROBERT S & MELODY J	196 LAKE DR SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
BRAND CHRISTOPHER W & DEGREEN ROSE	215 LAKE DR SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
RO ROBERT TAEK	2920 MUIR TRAIL DR	FULLERTON	CA	92833
MCCLURE KELLI	3050 RILEY RD	JOHNSTOWN	ОН	43031
MCAVOY JOHN DOUGLAS & MARY	473 SUMMIT OAKS DR	NASHVILLE	TN	37221
MARTIN HAROLD W & MARY JANE TRUSTEES	5127 PALMER RD SW	MILLERSPORT	ОН	43046
PATASKALA VILLAGE	621 W BROAD ST, Suite 2B	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
CORUM TAYLOR & CATHERINE	6270 BEAVER RUN RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
LAMP JERRY R & CAROL G	6659 CLEARPORT RD	LANCASTER	ОН	43130
LAMP JERRY & CAROL	6659 CLEARPORT RD SW	LANCASTER	ОН	43130
DANIELS SHARON	6662 YORK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
RILEY SHEA D	6669 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
STANDINGER JASON C & APRIL S	6706 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
DANIELS SHARON	6724 YORK RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
BURKHARDT PAUL R & DEBORAH A	6725 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
LOWERY TIMOTHY EUGENE & LISA MICHELLE	6758 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
SHORT JAMES DENVER LEE	6800 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
JARRELL CHARLES E & JANICE D	6819 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
GRIFFE MARIANNE	6903 WATKINS RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
BUGHER RODNEY W & RACHEL M	7050 BEAVER RUN RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
ARCHER ERIC P & NICHOLS ASHLEY N	7097 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
LYSAGHT TERRILL O & HOLLY L	7115 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
MATHEWS JAMES P	7133 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
YOST JILL L (LE) ET AL	7136 YORK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
JACKSON BRANDON A TRUSTEE	7151 WATKINS RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
MCCLURE KELLI	7160 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
MCAVOY JOHN DOUGLAS & MARY	7178 YORK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
TOLLIVER LARRY K JR & MELISSA R	72 LAKE DR	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
PENNINGTON GREGORY A & POUND LORI L	7204 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
FOOTE MELISSA M & ERIC	7212 YORK RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
RISER LADD A	7222 YORK RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
BATES DUSTIN A & MATHEWS NICOLE R	7242 YORK RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
STEELE JOHN BRADLEY TRUSTEE	7259 WATKINS RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
JONES LARRY & MARY JO	7280 YORK RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062

Owner Name	Address	Address City	Address State	Address Zip
GORDON KEVIN & ABIGAIL	7354 YORK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
BECKWITH ANNE M & ERIC J	7401 YORK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
GORDON KEVIN T & ABIGAIL	7408 YORK RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
MOLLENKOPF CARL & CINDIE L	7436 YORK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
HELD GREGORY C & BARBARA S	7474 YORK RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
GILLILAN MICHAEL D & JAMEY M	75 LAKE DR	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
PLACE NATHAN M & JANETTA K	7512 YORK RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
ASHBY FLORENCE B	7550 YORK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
ASHBY FLORENCE B	7606 YORK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
ZEUNE KIM E TRUSTEE	7726 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
DORAN MICHAEL G & PATRICIA R	7727 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
SWARTZ ROBERT E & ALICE M	7778 REFUGEE RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
BURKHART DAMIAN M JR & AMBER	7779 REFUGEE RD SW	ETNA	ОН	43062
PEREIRA ARTURANGELO & PEREI	7806 REFUGEE RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
COOPER WILLIAM R & BOBBITT KAYA	7842 NICHOLS LN	JOHNSTOWN	ОН	43031
ZEUNE KIM E TRUSTEE	7871 WATKINS RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
MCLEOD SUE ELLEN TRUSTEE	7938 REFUGEE RD SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
PATASKALA VILLAGE	8000 REFUGEE RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
GOLDSTEIN FRED & LINDA JO	8331 CREEK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
JONES CHAD A	8491 WATKINS RD SW	ETNA	ОН	43062
MARTIN HAROLD W & MARY JANE TRUSTEES	8640 CREEK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
GOLDSTEIN FRED & LINDA JO	8725 CREEK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
CROUSE RUSSELL K	8754 CREEK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
SNIDER PAULINE M TRUSTEE	8866 CREEK RD	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
BLANKENSHIP MICHAEL	94 LAKE DR	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
SIMPSON WILLIAM R & MARY E	97 LAKE DR SW	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
ZEUNE KIM E TRUSTEE	PO BOX 1378	PATASKALA	ОН	43062
COLUMBUS SOUTHERN POWER CO	PO BOX 16428	COLUMBUS	ОН	43216
SNIDER PAULINE M TRUSTEE	PO BOX 176	ETNA	ОН	43018
ASHBY FLORENCE B	PO BOX 313	KIRKERSVILLE	ОН	43033

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