BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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In the Matter of the Application of Ross County Solar, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need

Case No. 20-1380-EL-BGN

PROOF OF SECOND PUBLIC NOTICE AND PUBLICATION OF SECOND PUBLIC NOTICE

Ross County Solar, LLC hereby certifies that, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4906-3-09(A)(2), (i) the notice of its accepted, complete application attached hereto as Exhibit A was sent to the addresses listed in Exhibit B, and the notice of its accepted, complete application attached hereto as Exhibit C was sent to the addresses listed in Exhibit D, on March 24, 2021 via first class mail, and (ii) public notice of its accepted, complete application was published on March 25, 2021 in the Chillicothe Gazette, a newspaper of general circulation in Ross County, Ohio, and in the Hillsboro Times Gazette, a newspaper of general circulation in Highland County, Ohio, as shown by the affidavits of publication attached hereto as Exhibit E.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Mark A. Hylton Michael J. Settineri (0073369), Counsel of Record Anna Sanyal (0089269) Mark A. Hylton (0088384) Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP 52 East Gay Street P.O. Box 1008 Columbus, Ohio 43216-1008 614-464-5462 614-719-5146 (fax) mjsettineri@vorys.com aasanyal@vorys.com

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's e-filing system will electronically serve notice of the filing of this document on the parties referenced on the service list of the docket card who have electronically subscribed to the case. In addition, the undersigned certifies that a courtesy copy of the foregoing document is also being sent via electronic mail on April 2, 2021 to:

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> <u>/s/ Mark A. Hylton</u> Mark A. Hylton





March 24, 2021

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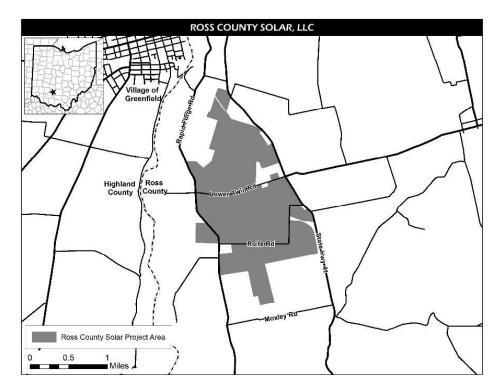
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Mr. and Ms. Barnhart Ms. Wilson
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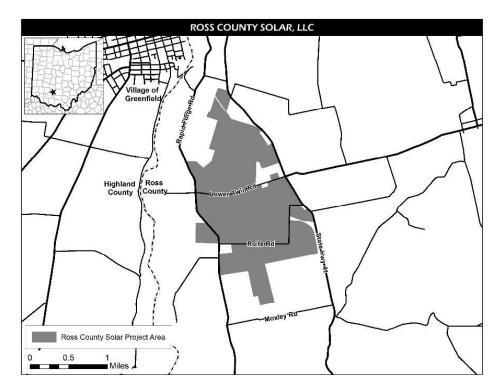
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LEGAL NOTICE ATTACHED

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RE: Order #: GCI0615659

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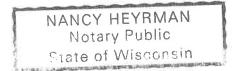
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Subscribed and sworn to me this 25th day of March, 2021

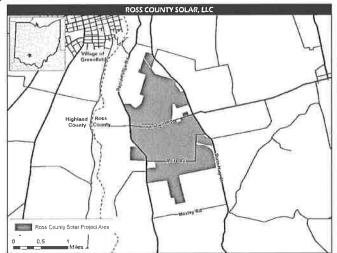
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Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF OHIO } SS COUNTY OF HIGHLAND }

Sharon Hughes, being duly sworn, says:

That she is Media Director of the HILLSBORO TIMES GAZETTE, a Daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in HILLSBORO, HIGHLAND County, OHIO; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on the following dates:

Mar 25,2021

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 25th day of Mar 2021

Ann Rugyon-Elam, HIGHLAND County, OHIO

My commission expires:

August 13, 2025

\$ 549.00



ANN RUNYON-ELAM Notary Public State of Ohio My Comm. Expires August 13, 2025

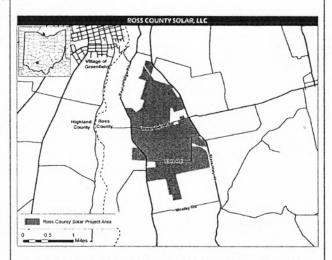
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

Ross County Solar, LLC (Ross County Solar), a subsidiary of National Grid Renewables (formerly Geronimo Energy, LLC, a National Grid Company), proposes to develop, build, and operate the Ross County Solar Project (Project), an up to 120 megawatt solar-powered electric generation facility (Facility) to be located in Ross County, Ohio. The general purpose of the Project is to maximize energy production from solar resources in order to deliver clean, renewable electricity to the Ohio bulk transmission system to serve the needs of electric utilities and their customers. The Project will span approximately 1,400 acres. The Project is anticipated to positively impact both the local economy and environment by producing significant tax revenue and other economic benefits for the area, and offsetting carbon dioxide emissions by an estimated 162,500 metric tons each year - the equivalent of taking approximately 35,000 cars off the road. The Facility will consist generally of the fenceline, photovoltaic (PV) panel arrays, electrical collection lines, inverters, access roads, a substation (which includes transformers), an operations and maintenance (O&M) building, weather stations, and laydown yards. The Facility will deliver power to a single point of interconnection at the existing Buckskin 69 kilovolt (kV) substation. The point of interconnection will consist of a short gen-tie line from the Facility substation to the Buckskin substation, where the line will connect to a new 69 kV breaker bay within the existing substation. A map showing the location and general layout of the Project is below



Ross County Solar has filed with the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board) an application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to construct, operate, and maintain the Project in Case No. 20-1380-EL-BGN, which is now pending before the Board. The initial public notice of Ross County Solar's accepted, complete application was previously published in the Chillicothe Gazette and Hillsboro Times Gazette on January 29, 2021.

The public will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed Project. The public hearing for this proceeding shall consist of two parts and will not be held in-person. Instead, due to the continued state of emergency, the local public and adjudicatory hearings will both be held using remote access technology that facilitates participation by telephone and/or live video on the internet. The two-part public hearing will be held as follows:

1. A local public hearing, pursuant to R.C. 4906.07 and 4906.08(C), where the Board shall accept testimony from any person on April 6, 2021, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Due to the ongoing pandemic, the hearing will be held virtually via Webex. Any person who wishes to provide testimony about the Project or who plans to join the Webex event must pre-register with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (Commission) before 12:00 p.m. on April 5, 2021, at https://opsb.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/opsb/events/ross-county-solar-publichearing or by calling the Commission at 1-800-686-7826. The testimony to be provided will be limited to five minutes in duration. Any person who wishes to attend the public hearing and not offer testimony can do so by calling +1-408-418-9388 and entering access code 179 844 8456. The public hearing will also be live streamed for viewing at www.youtube.com/user/PUCOhio. Additional information regarding the hearing is available on the Board's website at https:// opsb.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/opsb/cases/20-1380-el-bgn or by contacting the Commission's Consumer Call Center at 1-800-686-7826.

 An adjudicatory hearing commencing on April 27, 2021, beginning at 10 a.m. Due to the ongoing pandemic, the hearing will be held virtually via Webex. To participate in the adjudicatory hearing, intervention in the case is necessary. This foregoing document was electronically filed with the Public Utilities

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