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Via Electronic Filing

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

**Re: Union Ridge Solar, LLC,
Case No. 20-1757-EL-BGN**

Dear Ms. Troupe:

I am attaching for filing in the above-referenced matter, the Proof of Publication attesting to the first publication of the Notice of Proposed Major Utility Facility. The notice was published in the *Newark Advocate* on July 17, 2021.

Furthermore, service of the notice letters required under Ohio Administrative Code 4606-3-09 occurred on June 30, 2021. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dylan F. Borchers

Attachment

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LEGAL NOTICE

ATTACHED

STATE OF WISCONSIN

RE: Order #: GCI0690406

Account #: 000000890

Total Amount of Claim: \$1,211.25

I, *Hutton*

Sales Assistant for the above-mentioned newspaper, hereby certify that the attached advertisement appeared in said newspaper on the following dates:

7/17/2021

[Signature]

Last Run Date: 7/17/2021

Subscribed and sworn to me this 17th day of July, 2021

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State of Wisconsin

Testing your religious freedoms



Everyday Spirituality
Norris Books

We all remember the surprise we felt when our high school teacher announced, "Put your books away and take out a piece of paper - Pop quiz!"

Well, today's column is a pop quiz to appraise your understanding of Freedom of Religion. It concludes my three-part series celebrating American freedoms.

In each scenario below, you're a healthcare chaplain responding to a patient request. Do you honor the request? Yes or no?

Begin test.

You are in a combat hospital where a Muslim child is dying of third-degree burns. His father requests that you bring a Koran, read aloud a specific passage, and reverently place the Koran on his child's forehead.

A millennial patient practicing new age religion asks you to obtain a healing crystal and tape it around his wrists.

In a Catholic hospital, a Baptist pastor asks you to remove the crucifix hanging above the bed of his dying wife. His protestant tradition favors a bare cross to emphasize the resurrected Christ instead of the image of the dying Christ.

OK, put down your pencil. I know you did well, especially if you recognized these scenarios taken from past columns.

Let's review.

If you answered, "no," because you want to read from the Bible instead, then I'll repeat what I told my USAF chaplain colleague when he declined this opportunity.

As military chaplains, we serve folks of all religious and nonreligious traditions. We're privileged to preach personal views from Sunday's pulpit. However, when on the battlefield or visiting duty stations, our views remain secondary in the same way a combat medic would set aside her own wounds to attend the wounds of others.

You answered yes, even though it feels "woo-woo" or weird. You know that your opinion has little to do with the patient. You understand that relating to people from other religions requires you to respectfully demonstrate that their beliefs are equally important.

Hopefully, you said yes. Or did you

decline because it offends your Catholic upbringing? If so, I'd ask you to consider how denying someone their religious freedom might threaten your future religious choices. After all, what if an ambulance someday takes you to a Baptist hospital?

My questions introduce a broader one: Must our faith be binary? Does it represent our way or no way? Is God a yes or no question? An either-or proposition?

In relating to other faiths, can we consider answers that are "yes/and"? Is it possible to understand "Freedom of Religion" as something that honors your faith AND mine?

My friend, Gerald Jones, who manages a Baseville chaplain department uses similar questions to screen his potential volunteers.

He asks, "If the family of a dying Buddhist patient asks you to read Buddhist prayers, would you be comfortable doing so?"

If they say "yes," Jones moves the process forward.

If they say no, Jones will ask, "If your family member was dying would you be OK with a Buddhist chaplain reading a psalm from the Bible?"

If they say yes, Jones will then ask, "What's the difference?"

My friend tells me, "Those willing to wrestle with these questions are the ones typically invited to join our training."

Jones and I agree. Hospitalized Chaplaincy is about patient needs, not chaplain needs. If a potential trainee cannot work in that setting, we encourage other places of ministry.

Finally - a bonus question. A female patient asks you to call her Episcopal parish and specifies they send a male priest. Do you make that call?

Yes. I made the call, but with great trepidation. How did the priest answer? "Remind my parishioner that she doesn't get to choose who brings the sacrament. She'll get who she gets."

I paused, but I guess he heard my eyes roll, as he replied, "Never mind. I'll tell her myself when I get there."

Wowser. I guess Freedom of Religion has some limits.

Norris' books are available at thechaplain.net. Contact him at comment@thechaplain.net or 10559 Combs Road, Suite 605, Auburn, CA 95602 or 916-813-608-9715 Twitter @chaplain

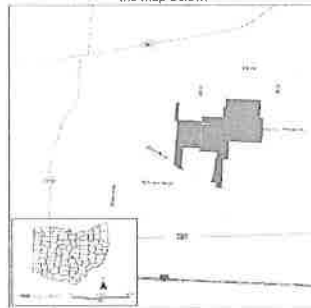
Notice of Proposed Major Utility Facility

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Union Ridge Solar, LLC is proposing to develop, construct, and operate the up to 108 MW Union Ridge Solar Project ("Union Ridge"), a solar-powered electric facility in Harrison Township, Licking 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 regional transmission system to serve the needs of electric utilities and their customers.

LOCATION AND GENERAL LAYOUT

The general location and planned project layout of Union Ridge is shown on the map below:



APPLICATION NOW PENDING

Union Ridge has an Application pending before the Ohio Power Siting Board. The assigned docket number for the Application is Case No. 20-1757-EL-BGN, and copies of all filings in this case can be located at the Ohio Power Siting Board website at <http://www.opspb.ohio.gov> by scrolling down to "Pending Cases" and selecting the case by name or docket number. To view the filings, click the case number for the case record.

PUBLIC OFFICIALS SERVED WITH COPIES OF THE APPLICATION

The following public officials were served with a copy of the Application: Duane H. Flowers, Rick Black, and Timothy E. Bubb, Licking County Commissioners; Jared Kner, P.E., P.S., Licking County Engineer; Chris Harkness, AICP, Executive Director of Licking County; Planning & Development Licking County Soil & Water Conservation District; and Mark Van Buren, Ray Foor, and Eric Smith, Harrison Township Trustees. A copy of the Application is also available for public inspection at the Pataskala Public Library, 101 S Vine Street, Pataskala, Ohio 43062.

OHIO POWER SITING BOARD APPLICATION REVIEW CRITERIA

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4906.10(A) the Ohio Power Siting Board evaluates applications for a certificate for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a major utility facility, either as proposed or as modified by the Board, based on the following findings and criteria: (1) The basis of the need for the facility if the facility is an electric transmission line or gas pipeline; (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. In determining whether the facility will comply with all rules and standards adopted under Section 4561.32 of the Revised Code, the Board shall consult with the office of aviation of the division of multi-modal planning and programs of the department of transportation under Section 4561.341 of the Revised Code; (6) That the facility will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity; (7) In addition to the provisions contained in divisions (A)(1) to (6) of this section and rules adopted under those divisions, what its impact will be 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 and alternative site of the proposed major utility facility; rules adopted to evaluate impact under Division (A)(7) of this section shall not require the compilation, creation, submission, or production of any information, document, or other data pertaining to land not located within the site and alternative site; and (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.

STATEMENT PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4906.07

Section 4906.06 of the Revised Code provides that the Ohio Power Siting Board shall promptly fix a date for a public hearing thereon, not less than sixty nor more than ninety days from submission of an application. The public hearing for this case shall consist of two parts and will be held in person:

1. A local public hearing, pursuant to R.C. 4906.08(C), where the Board shall accept written or oral testimony from any person, commencing on Tuesday, August 31, 2021, beginning at 6:00 p.m., at the Harrison Township Trustees Office, Road Garage, 6750 Outville Road, S.W. Pataskala, Ohio 43062. The purpose of the local public hearing is to allow interested persons in the project area, who are not parties to the case, to provide written or oral testimony regarding the project. Consistent with CDC Guidelines and the May 17, 2021 Ohio Department of Health Order, individuals who are not fully vaccinated should continue to wear a face covering and socially distance; and
2. An adjudicatory hearing to commence on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., 11th floor, Hearing Room 11-C, at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793. The purpose of this hearing is for Union Ridge, Staff, and intervenors to provide evidence regarding the proposed project. Individuals who are not fully vaccinated should continue to wear a face covering and socially distance. The chairperson of the Ohio Power Siting Board is required to investigate each application filed with the Board and to submit a written report to the Board and the applicant not less than fifteen days prior to the date any application is set for hearing. A copy of such report shall be made available to any person upon request. Such report shall set forth the nature of the investigation, and the report shall contain recommended findings with regard to division (A) of Section 4906.10 of the Revised Code and shall become part of the record and served upon all parties to the proceeding.

Statement of Ohio Revised Code Section 4906.08(C)

The Board shall accept written or oral testimony from any person at the public hearing, but the right to call and examine witnesses shall be reserved for parties. However, the Board may adopt rules to exclude repetitive, immaterial, or irrelevant testimony.

Petitions to intervene in the adjudicatory hearing will be accepted by the Board up to 30 days following service of the notice required by R.C. 4906.06(C) and OAC 4906-3-09, or August 9, 2021, whichever is later. 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 Docketing Division, the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 and cite Case No. 20-1757-EL-BGN.

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