

## THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
YELLOW WOOD SOLAR ENERGY LLC, FOR  
A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED FOR  
THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SOLAR-  
POWERED ELECTRIC GENERATION  
FACILITY IN CLINTON COUNTY, OHIO.

CASE NO. 20-1680-EL-BGN

### ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on November 2, 2021

{¶ 1} Yellow Wood Solar Energy LLC (Yellow Wood Solar or Applicant) is a person as defined in R.C. 4906.01.

{¶ 2} R.C. 4906.04 provides that no person shall construct a major utility facility in the state without first obtaining a certificate from the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board). In seeking a certificate, applicants must comply with the filing requirements outlined in R.C. 4906.06, as well as Ohio Adm.Code Chapters 4906-2 through 4906-4.

{¶ 3} On February 24, 2021, as supplemented on June 17, August 19, September 3, and October 8, 2021, Yellow Wood Solar filed an application with the Board for a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need to construct a 300 megawatt solar- powered electric generating facility in Clark and Jefferson townships in Clinton County, Ohio.

{¶ 4} On August 17, 2021, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued an Entry that established the procedural schedule to be followed in this case. Among other things, the August 17, 2021 Entry set: Wednesday, October 20, 2021, as the date for the local public hearing in this case; Monday, November 1, 2021, as the due date for the filing of the Applicant's testimony in this case; Tuesday, November 9, 2021, as the due date for the filing of testimony by intervenors and the Board's Staff; and Wednesday, November 10, 2021 as the deadline for the filing of any stipulation. The same Entry also scheduled an evidentiary hearing to occur on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in Hearing Room 11-D, at

the offices of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

{¶ 5} On October 18, 2021, the ALJ granted motions to intervene filed by the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation; Clinton County Commissioners; Brad Cochran Farms LLC and Brad Cochran; Brian and Janet Collins; Margaret and Stephen Elam; G. Robert and Joyce Griffith; Alan and Deborah Hertlein; Brett Hertlein; JWP Family Farms LLC; Darla and Matthew Long; Benjamin and K. Nicole Oberrecht; Dianne Rhonemus; Jamie and Matthew Roberts; Janice Rowlands; Charles Simpson Jr. and Pamela McConnel; and Charles W. Thompson.

{¶ 6} On November 1, 2021, Applicant filed a motion to call and continue the evidentiary hearing and to extend the deadlines for the filing of testimony and any stipulation. The Applicant requests the extension to allow the parties to continue settlement discussions. Applicant notes that calling the evidentiary hearing will preserve the publication of notice of the hearing. Applicant also requests that the deadline for the filing of testimony and stipulations be extended to a date to be determined during the hearing on November 17, 2021. Applicant requests an expedited ruling and certifies that no party opposes the motion.

{¶ 7} The ALJ finds that Applicant's unopposed motion is reasonable and should be granted. Accordingly, the evidentiary hearing scheduled for November 17, 2021 shall be called and continued, and at that time the ALJ will determine, with the input of the parties, deadlines for the filing of testimony and any stipulation in the case.

{¶ 8} It is, therefore,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That the Applicant's motion to extend the deadline to file testimony and any stipulation be granted. It is, further,

{¶ 10} ORDERED, That the evidentiary hearing scheduled for November 17, 2021, be called and continued. It is, further,

{¶ 11} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties and interested persons of record.

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/s/ Jacky Werman St. John

By: Jacky Werman St. John  
Administrative Law Judge

GAP/mef

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Summary: Administrative Law Judge Entry granting the motion to extend the deadlines; and ordering the evidentiary hearing scheduled for November 17, 2021 be called and continued electronically filed by Ms. Mary E. Fischer on behalf of Jacky Werman St. John, Administrative Law Judge, Ohio Power Siting Board