

THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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In the Matter of the :  
Application of Grover Hill :Case No.  
Wind, LLC for a Certificate :20-417-EL-BGN  
of Environmental Compatibility:  
and Public Need. :

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PROCEEDINGS

Before David Hicks and Greta See, Administrative  
Law Judges, held via WebEx, on Thursday, March  
3, 2022, at 10:00 A.M.

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Thursday Morning,  
March 3, 2022.

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ALJ HICKS: The Ohio Power Siting Board has set for hearing at this time and place Case No. 20-417-EL-BGN which is captioned In the Matter of the Application of Grover Hill Wind, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Construct a Wind Powered Electric Generation Facility in Paulding County, Ohio.

Good morning everyone. My name is David Hicks and with me is Greta See and we are the Administrative Law Judges in the Legal Department of the Ohio Power Siting Board and have been assigned by the Board to hear this case.

This hearing is being held via WebEx in accordance with the scheduling entry issued on November 10th, 2021. Pursuant to a February 22nd, 2022 entry we are going to call and continue this adjudicatory hearing scheduled to begin today. This means that we have now opened the evidentiary record, we will take appearances of counsel and then we will adjourn and

1 reconvene the hearing at a later to be  
2 determined date.

3 So at this time we will go ahead and  
4 take appearances by counsel of the parties  
5 beginning with the Applicant.

6 MS. PIRIK: Thank you, your Honor.  
7 On behalf of the Applicant, Grover Hill Wind,  
8 LLC the law firm of Dickinson Wright, Matthew  
9 McDonnell, Christine Pirik and Terrence  
10 O'Donnell, 180 East Broad Street, Suite 3400,  
11 Columbus, Ohio 43215.

12 ALJ HICKS: Thank you. And on  
13 behalf of Staff.

14 MR. MARGARD: Thank you, your Honor.  
15 On behalf of the Staff of the Ohio Power Siting  
16 Board, Dave Yost, Ohio Attorney General, John  
17 Jones, Section Chief Public Utilities Section,  
18 by Assistant Attorney General Werner L. Margard,  
19 30 East Broad Street, 26th Floor, Columbus,  
20 Ohio.

21 ALJ HICKS: Thank you. I don't  
22 believe there is anything more that needs to be  
23 conducted on the record. For the parties,  
24 again, hang around, we can discuss some  
25 scheduling issues. I will give a moment if

1 there is anything further. I will take silence  
2 as a no.

3 MR. MARGARD: Your Honor, I don't  
4 note that there are any members of the public  
5 present, but you might inquire.

6 MR. SCHMIDT: We do have one call in  
7 user and two other attendees connected. When we  
8 adjourn the public session I can go ahead and  
9 expel those members and then lock the room so  
10 that nobody else can get in.

11 MR. MARGARD: And I don't know that  
12 that is necessary. At least one of those is a  
13 representative of the Applicant and another is  
14 on legal staff for the Staff. I don't know who  
15 the other call in user is.

16 ALJ HICKS: I am not sure anyone  
17 would know that from the call in.

18 MR. SCHMIDT: I can't even see the  
19 whole number. It just gives me the exchange  
20 basically.

21 MR. MARGARD: Can we go off the  
22 record for a moment, your Honor?

23 ALJ HICKS: Sure. Let's go off the  
24 record.

25 (DISCUSSION OFF THE RECORD)

ALJ HICKS: We are back on. Just briefly went off the record to discuss some procedural matters. And with that I believe there is nothing more that needs to be conducted on the record. And so we will reconvene the hearing at a later date which will be established by a future entry. And until then, we are adjourned.

(At 10:07 A.M. the hearing was concluded)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing  
is a true and correct transcript of the  
proceedings taken by me in this matter on March  
3, 2022, and carefully compared with my original  
stenographic notes.

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Michael O. Spencer,  
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Reporter.

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