BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

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In the Matter of the Application of Kingwood Solar I LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need CASE NO. 21-0117-EL-BGN NOTICE OF RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE APPLICATION

NOTICE OF RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE KINGWOOD SOLAR PROJECT APPLICATION BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CEDARVILLE TOWNSHIP

The Board of Trustees for Cedarville Township, Greene County, Ohio submits this notice

of a resolution of the Board, adopted on December 9, 2021, stating the Board's opposition to the

Kingwood Solar project application.

A copy of the Resolution is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The docketing system will electronically notify counsel of record in this proceeding. Additionally, the undersigned hereby certifies that a courtesy copy of the foregoing Notice of Resolution was served via email to the counsel indicated below on this 10th day of December, 2021.

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CEDARVILLE TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION 2021-23

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township has received notice of a completed application for a proposed solar-powered electric generation facility to be partially located in Cedarville Township, filed by Kingwood Solar I LLC ("Kingwood") before the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB); and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township has intervened in the OPSB process relative to the Kingwood project; and,

WHEREAS, among the criteria for approval of such facilities the OPSB considers whether the facility will service the public interest, convenience and necessity; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township has responsibility for preserving the general health, safety and welfare within Cedarville Township; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township respects the property rights of landowners, while recognizing that uses of private property have external effects on the private property rights of others and the public generally, and so comprehensive planning and land-use regulations are necessary to balance competing private interests and the public interest; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township rely on the township's local zoning ordinances as well as the county land use plan, "Perspectives 2020: A Future Land Use Plan for Greene County," when making land use decisions; and,

WHEREAS, the Cedarville Township's zoning ordinance, while not enforceable for energy facilities over 50 megawatts, does establish a set of general principles that such an energy facility should follow, which are consistent with the county land use plan including 300 feet setbacks from non-participating properties and the avoidance of placing such a facility on prime agricultural farmland; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township believe the Kingwood project does not adhere to the principles in the county land use plan or the township's local zoning ordinances; and,

WHEREAS, the project proposed in the Kingwood application is incompatible with the land use policies of Cedarville Township; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township believes the Property Value Impacts Studies referenced as Appendix F of the Kingwood application is flawed in its analysis because the solar plant installations considered in that study are considerably smaller than the proposed Kingwood project (the largest solar plant in that study was approximately 57% the size of Kingwood and had significantly fewer homes in close proximity to the installation); and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township believe the Kingwood project involves considerably more sprawl and a much higher density of housing within 500 feet of the project area than other 100+MW solar facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township, along with many residents in the project area, believe that property values for residents in close proximity to the project area will most likely be negatively impacted; and,

WHEREAS, this project is planned for an area that has a history of violent weather events and the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township do not believe that insurance concerns regarding impact to neighboring properties from another violent weather event have been adequately addressed in the Kingwood application; and,

WHEREAS, the overwhelming majority of the public comments posted on the OPSB website and comments made at the public hearing by Cedarville Township residents are in opposition to this project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township:

<u>Section I.</u> The Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township finds that the application of Kingwood Solar I LLC, pending in Case Number 21-0117-EL-BGN before the Ohio Power Siting Board is incompatible with the general health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Cedarville Township, and therefore will not serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity of the residents of the Township, County or the State of Ohio.

Section 2. The Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township hereby states its opposition to the application of Kingwood Solar I LLC, pending in Case Number 21-0117 -EL-BGN before the Ohio Power Siting Board.

CEDARVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

Date: 9 December 2021

Tim Boeck

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Summary: Notice Notice of Resolution in Opposition to Kingwood Solar Application adopted by Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township, Greene County, Ohio electronically filed by Mr. Daniel A Brown on behalf of Board of Trustees of Cedarville Township, Greene County, Ohio

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