

**BEFORE  
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Application of Border :  
Basin Solar 1, LLC for a Certificate of : Case No. 21-277-EL-BGN  
Environmental Compatibility and Public :  
Need. :

**PREFILED TESTIMONY  
OF**

**Grant Zeto**

**ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF THE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO  
POWER SITING DEPARTMENT**

**STAFF EX. \_\_\_\_**

**April 13, 2022**

1 1. Q. Please state your name and your business address.

2 A. My name is Grant Zeto. My business address is 180 East Broad  
3 Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.  
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5 2. Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?

6 A. I am employed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) as a  
7 Public Utilities Administrator 2 within the Power Siting Department.  
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9 3. Q. Please summarize your educational background and work experience.

10 A. I received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Environment and Natural  
11 Resources from The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.  
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13 I have been employed by the PUCO since August 2011. My responsibilities  
14 during this time have primarily involved review of Ohio Power Siting Board  
15 (Board) cases.  
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17 4. Q. Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Ohio Power Siting Board  
18 (Board)?

19 A. Yes. I have testified in numerous proceedings before the Board.  
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21 5. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

1           A.     I am sponsoring a portion of the Staff Report of Investigation (Staff Report)  
2                   that was filed in the docket of this case on March 16, 2022. Specifically, I  
3                   am sponsoring the Staff Report subsections titled Surface Waters,  
4                   Threatened and Endangered Species, and Vegetation

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6    6.    Q.     Are you sponsoring any conditions? If so, which ones?

7           A.     Yes. I am sponsoring conditions 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33 of the  
8                   Staff Report, which are conditions 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 of  
9                   the stipulation, which Staff has signed.

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11   7.    Q.     Why is Staff recommending these conditions?

12          A.     These conditions are needed to ensure the minimization of potential adverse  
13                  impacts to surface water resources, wildlife, and vegetation.

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15   8.    Q.     Does this conclude your testimony?

16          A.     Yes, it does. However, I reserve the right to submit supplemental  
17                  testimony, as new information subsequently becomes available or in  
18                  response to positions taken by other parties.

## PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing **Prefiled Testimony of Grant Zeto**, submitted on behalf of the Staff of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Power Siting Department, was served via electronic mail, upon the following parties of record, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

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