BEFORE THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD

In the Matter of the Application of

Yellow Wood Solar Energy, LLC for a : Case No. 20-1680-EL-BGN

Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need.

PREFILED TESTIMONY OF

Eric Morrison

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

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1	1.	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
2		A.	My name is Eric Morrison, and my business address is 180 East Broad Street,
3			Columbus OH 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 (Commission) as
7			a Utilities Specialist 1 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 Specialized Studies Degree in Civil Engineering and
11			Business from Ohio University in Athens, Ohio.
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13			I have been employed by the PUCO since March 2017. My responsibilities
14			during this time have primarily involved review of Power Siting cases.
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16	4.	Q.	Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Board?
17		A.	Yes. I have testified in numerous proceedings before the Board.
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19	5.	Q.	What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?
20		A.	I am sponsoring portions of the Staff Report of Investigation (Staff Report)
21			that was filed in the docket of this case on October 4, 2021. Specifically, I
22			am sponsoring the Staff Report subsections titled "Agricultural Districts

1			and Land", "Project Description", "Project Schedule", and "Roads and
2			Bridges".
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4	6.	Q.	Are you responsible for any specific conditions in the Staff Report? If so,
5			which ones?
6		A.	Yes. I am responsible for conditions 25 and 29.
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8	7.	Q.	Why is Staff recommending condition 22?
9		A.	This condition ensures the Applicant shall coordinate with the proper
10			regulatory authority concerning project activity that affects transportation
11			infrastructure. It also requires the Applicant to supply Power Siting Staff with
12			a transportation management plan prior to construction.
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14	8.	Q.	Why is Staff recommending condition 44?
15		A.	This condition outlines the requirements the Applicant must meet to mitigate
16			disruption of agricultural field drain tile systems.
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18	9.	Q.	Does this conclude your testimony?
19		A.	Yes, it does. However, I reserve the right to submit supplemental
20			testimony, as new information subsequently becomes available or in
21			response to positions taken by other parties.

PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing **Prefiled Testimony of Eric Morrison**, 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 21st day of September 2022.

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