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Dear Ohio Power Sitting Board,

Ohio needs to utilize every option to increase clean energy options across the state. Just because something has always been done in one way does not mean it is wise to continue that method ad infinitum. Wind power could be easily utilized in the northwest section of the state, and solar blocks could be created in both rural/semi rural and urban areas....why not put solar panels in urban neighborhoods that have 1 or more vacant lots in order to provide energy to folks living nearby? While you are negotiating new ways to provide power, put yourselves in the spaces that have been overlooked in the past. There's really no reason anyone in Ohio should not have reliable, clean energy available.

Dear OPSB Members,

As you evaluate updates to the OPSB's rules governing new project proposals, it is critical to include several considerations:

First, a project's greenhouse gas emissions and climate impacts must be front and center. As Ohio and the rest of the world confront the climate crisis, it is indefensible to not include climate impacts as a major consideration for new generation and distribution projects. Specific criteria should be established for evaluating a project's climate impact.

Second, over the course of the COVID19 pandemic, the OPSB has demonstrated it is able to conduct online public hearings on new projects. Even as in person hearings begin to take place again, online hearings are a good tool to maximize public engagement. All projects moving forward should require at least one in person public hearing and one online public hearing, which are advertised with posters near the site, and online, as well as in the local paper, and scheduled at times to maximize public participation.

Finally, it is critical that the OPSB implement rules that are objective, transparent, and accountable. The OPSB should provide better clarity around the rubric for how public input is considered.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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