



February 6, 2023

Jenifer French, Chair
Ohio Power Siting Board
180 E. Broad St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: Reply Comment / OPSB Case No. 21-902-GE-BRO

Dear Chair French,

Founded in 1893, the Ohio Chamber of Commerce is the state's leading business advocate and resource, and champions free enterprise, economic competitiveness, and growth for the benefit of all Ohioans. Thank you for allowing us to file Reply Comments regarding the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) proposed rules.

When energy projects are sited in Ohio to meet Ohio companies' energy needs, multiple economic development benefits result. Increased energy supply lowers prices, reducing the cost of doing business in our state. Our state becomes more prosperous. That is why the Chamber has long been an advocate for an "all-of-the-above" approach to energy policy that does not hinder Ohio's ability to develop any of its abundant and diverse energy resources.

In our initial letter to the OPSB the Ohio Chamber of Commerce stated its appreciation of the Board's proposed revisions to Ohio Adm. Code 4906-1-01 concerning transmission lines. In this letter we want to take the time to address the proposed changes to Ohio Adm. Code 4906-4-09(G)(4). We support what the American Clean Power Association, the Mid-Atlantic Renewable Energy Coalition, and the Utility Scale Solar Energy Coalition of Ohio communicated in their joint comments. The update to solar setbacks strikes an appropriate balance and represents an improvement over the prior proposal in terms of the setback from property lines and additional regulatory flexibility regarding setbacks from roads.

The Ohio Chamber of Commerce appreciates the opportunity to participate in this process and looks forward to working with OPSB going forward.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tony Long", with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

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