

**BEFORE  
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Application of Scioto :  
Farms Solar Project, LLC for a :  
Certificate of Environmental : Case No. 21-0868-EL-BGN  
Compatibility and Public Need. :

**PREFILED TESTIMONY  
OF**

**Eric Morrison**

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

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

**February 13, 2023**

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 May 10, 2022. Specifically, I am

1 sponsoring the Staff Report subsections titled “Agricultural Districts and  
2 Land” and “Roads and 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 16 and 25.

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8 7. Q. Why is Staff recommending condition 16?

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 25?

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 testimony,  
20 as new information subsequently becomes available or in response to  
21 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023.

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