

**BEFORE
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

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

**PREFILED TESTIMONY
OF**

Mark Bellamy

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

STAFF EX. ____

February 13, 2023

1. Q. Please state your name and your business address.
A. My name is Mark C. Bellamy. My business address is 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.
2. Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?
A. I am employed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) as a Utility Specialist in the Socioeconomic and Land Use Planning Section of the Power Siting Department.
3. Q. Please summarize your educational background.
A. My education includes earning a Bachelor of Science in Education degree in Chemistry from Arkansas State University.
4. Q. Please summarize your work experience.
A. Prior to my employment with the PUCO, I served six years in the U.S. Navy as a Machinist's Mate on a submarine. I operated and maintained atmosphere control equipment, as well as performed duties as a quality assurance inspector. After the Navy, I was employed as a high school science teacher. I joined the staff of the PUCO in 2009. My duties include review and analysis of power siting cases.

5. Q. Have you testified in prior proceedings before the Ohio Power Siting Board (Board)?

A. Yes. I have testified in numerous proceedings before the Board.

6. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

A. I am sponsoring portions of the Staff Report of Investigation (Staff Report) that was filed on May 10, 2022. Specifically, I am sponsoring the portion of that Staff Report subsections titled Noise and Cultural Resources. I am available to respond specifically to that topic from the Staff Report and any resulting Stipulation.

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

A. Yes. I am sponsoring conditions 23, 24, and 39 of the Staff Report.

8. Q. Why is Staff recommending these conditions?

A. Conditions 23 and 24 are needed to ensure the minimization of potential adverse impacts due to project construction and operational noise. Condition 39 was needed to ensure that cultural resource surveys were completed and any sites were avoided that were recommended, by the Applicant's cultural resource consultant or OHPO, to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

9. Q. Is condition 39 still needed?

A. No, it is not. The Applicant has complied with and completed the requirements of condition 39.

10. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

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

PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Prefiled Testimony of Thomas J. Crawford, 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 13TH day of February 2023.

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