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Dear Members of the Ohio Power Siting Board,

I'm writing to express my wholehearted support for the Prairie Flyer Energy Storage Facility, an 85-megawatt battery energy storage system proposed by Jupiter Power in Vandalia, Ohio. I believe this project is fantastic for our community, and it's going to make a real difference for the folks who rely on a steady supply of energy, including our residents, local businesses, and manufacturers.

First off, the Prairie Flyer Energy Storage Facility's location is spot on. It's planned for 7.3 acres within a 19-acre area just west of Engle Road and north of Northwoods Boulevard in Vandalia. What's even better is that it's going to connect to the existing Dayton Power & Light electric substation, which is a smart move to strengthen our local power grid.

Now, let's talk about why this battery storage project matters:

- **Emergency Help:** Think about those evenings when we need lots of power from the grid. That's when the Prairie Flyer facility will be standing at the ready to provide energy from its batteries. This means we can count on a stable power supply even during high-demand times.
- **Keeping Things Steady:** Energy demand goes up and down throughout the day, but our homes and businesses always need reliable power. These batteries will smooth out those ups and downs, giving us dependable electricity 24/7.
- **Grid Teamwork:** We've got more and more renewable energy sources coming online, but they can be a bit unpredictable. This facility will work like a team player, making sure that intermittent power generation plays nicely with our grid and delivers a steady supply for all of us.
- **Less Need for New Power Lines:** Instead of building expensive new transmission lines, this battery storage system will step in and provide power exactly where and when we need it. That's a win-win, saving costs and reducing the impact on our environment.

- **Quick Response in Emergencies:** When the grid faces challenges, these batteries can step in within milliseconds to prevent outages and ensure our power stays on.

But it's not just about the technical stuff. Here's why our community will love this project:

- **Better Reliability and Efficiency:** We'll enjoy a more reliable and efficient power grid without seeing our electricity bills go up.
- **Smarter Energy Integration:** The facility will help us use our current and future energy resources more efficiently, making our energy landscape greener and more sustainable.
- **Economic Boost for Our Community:** This project brings a private investment to our area, potentially bringing in substantial local government tax revenue. Plus, it's a clean and quiet operation that won't add emissions, odor, waste, or traffic to our community.

I'm truly excited about how the Prairie Flyer Energy Storage Facility will benefit our community. I kindly request the Ohio Power Siting Board to give their full support and approval to this project. It's aligned with our vision of a more reliable, eco-friendly, and economically thriving energy future.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I look forward to witnessing the successful development and operation of the Prairie Flyer Energy Storage Facility and the positive impact it will have on our community.

Warm regards,



Phil Plummer
Ohio Representative

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