

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE KENTUCKY STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC GENERATION  
AND TRANSMISSION SITING

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF GOLDEN	)	
SOLAR, LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF	)	
CONSTRUCTION FOR AN APPROXIMATELY 100	)	CASE NO.
MEGAWATT MERCHANT ELECTRIC SOLAR	)	2020-00243
GENERATING FACILITY IN CALDWELL	)	
COUNTY, KENTUCKY	)	

ORDER

On January 4, 2023, Golden Solar, LLC (Golden Solar) filed a motion for witnesses Courtney Pelissero, Ben Adamich, Bruce Moreira, David Hessler, Yosef Shirazi, Andrew Lines, Brian Zoeller, and Ben Taylor to be permitted to testify virtually at the hearing scheduled for January 10, 2023, at 9 a.m. Eastern Standard Time. Golden Solar stated that counsel will be present in person at the hearing. Golden Solar stated that there are no intervenors and virtual participation of the witnesses would not prejudice the Siting Board.

Based upon the motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Siting Board finds that Golden Solar has presented no evidence to establish good cause to grant the motion, but because Golden Solar waited until six days before the hearing to make the request the Siting Board finds that the motion must be granted. The Siting Board notes the hearing in this matter was scheduled months in advance<sup>1</sup> and Golden Solar should have planned for witnesses to be present or clarified the expectations of the Siting Board

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<sup>1</sup> Order (Ky. Siting Board Sept. 27, 2022).

regarding virtual attendance long before the date of the motion. The Siting Board emphasizes that residency in another state, taken alone, does not create good cause to allow virtual participation, and this will not be accepted by the Siting Board in the future as the sole reason for virtual attendance. The Siting Board further finds counsel for Golden Solar shall contact Siting Board Staff to schedule a technology test to ensure that there will not be problems with the witnesses' virtual participation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Golden Solar's motion to allow virtual participation by all witnesses in the January 10, 2023, hearing is granted.
2. Siting Board Staff shall contact participants with instructions for participating remotely.
3. Before January 9, 2023, counsel for Golden Solar shall arrange a technology test with Siting Board Staff to ensure that all required technology is working properly.



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