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### **Public Hearing on Proposed Mt. Olive Creek Solar Project in Russell County Rescheduled for September 15, 2021**

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Aug. 31, 2021)** – The Mt. Olive Creek Solar project public hearing scheduled for this evening in Russell County has been canceled and rescheduled for Sept. 15, 2021. In an Order issued today, the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (Siting Board) is rescheduling the public hearing because the project applicant did not provide public notice as required.

#### **Meeting details:**

Wednesday, September 15, 5:00 p.m. Central Time (6:00 p.m. ET)  
Suite 204, Russell County Courthouse  
410 Monument Square  
Jamestown, KY 42629

The intent of the public hearing is to provide information and receive public comments on the Mt. Olive Creek Solar facility proposal. The public comment period will be preceded by a 30-minute presentation by PSC staff on the Electric Generation and Transmission Siting Board process and an overview of the application filed by Mt. Olive Creek Solar, LLC.

Mt. Olive Creek Solar is proposing to construct a 60-MW solar generation facility on a 476-acre site near the town of Russell Springs, Kentucky.

The Siting Board is attached to the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) for administrative purposes and by law is charged with reviewing applications for independent power producers (IPPs). The Siting Board considers issues such as noise, visual impact, traffic, economic impacts and effects of the proposed facility on Kentucky's electric grid. It also addresses compliance with local planning and zoning requirements. It does not address environmental matters, which are under the jurisdiction of the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection.

The Siting Board consists of the three members of the PSC, the secretary of the Kentucky Energy and Environmental Cabinet or a designee, the secretary of the Kentucky Economic Development Cabinet or a designee and two local members appointed by the governor to serve

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for a specific case. The chairman of the PSC serves as chairman of the Siting Board. The two local members for Mt. Olive Creek Solar are Jeff Hoover, of Jamestown, representing residents of Russell County, and Gary D. Robertson, Jamestown, Russell County Judge Executive, representing Russell County.

The application and related documents, including today's Order rescheduling the public hearing, are available on the PSC website: <https://psc.ky.gov/Case/ViewCaseFilings/2020-00226>.

The Siting Board is headquartered at the PSC and PSC staff also serves as staff to the Siting Board. The Siting Board's operations are funded through fees paid by applicants.

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