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May 27, 2021

TO: DIVISION OF FILINGS

RE: Case No. 2021-00029
ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF MARTIN COUNTY SOLAR PROJECT, LLC
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CONSTRUCTION FOR AN APPROXIMATELY 200
MEGAWATT MERCHANT ELECTRIC SOLAR GENERATING FACILITY IN
MARTIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY PURSUANT TO KRS 278.700 AND 807 KAR
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Please file in the administrative record of the above-referenced case the enclosed copy of letters from Chairman Michael J. Schmitt to Governor Andy Beshear and to Martin County Judge Executive Victor Slone, both dated May 25, 2021.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Linda C. Bridwell".

Linda C. Bridwell
Executive Director

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record



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May 25, 2021

Hon. Governor Andy Beshear
700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 100
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Re: Siting Board Case No. 2021-00029

Dear Governor Beshear:

As the Chairman of the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC), I also serve as the Chairman of the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (Siting Board). Therefore, it is my duty to inform you that, on May 19, 2021, the Siting Board received an application from Martin County Solar, LLC requesting a certificate to construct an approximately 200 megawatt merchant electric solar generation facility near Pilgrim, Martin County, Kentucky.

The five permanent members of the Siting Board are myself; PSC Vice Chairman Kent A. Chandler; PSC Commissioner Talina R. Mathews; Secretary of the Energy and Environment Cabinet Rebecca W. Goodman (or her designee);¹ and Interim Secretary of the Economic Development Cabinet Larry Hayes (or his designee).²

In addition to the permanent members of the Siting Board, pursuant to KRS 278.702(1)(d)(1), the Governor must appoint two ad hoc public members to serve on the Siting Board for the duration of the case. Based on the facts as presented in the application, one of the ad hoc appointees must be the county judge/executive of Martin County, Victor Slone. The second ad hoc appointee must be a legal resident of Martin County, where the proposed electric merchant generation facility will be sited.

Pursuant to KRS 278.710(1), the Siting Board is required to issue its decision granting or denying the application within either 120 days or 180 days (if a local public hearing is requested). Therefore, it is vital to the successful completion of the Siting Board's duties that the ad hoc members be appointed by you as soon as practicable.

¹ Secretary Goodman has designated John S. Lyons as her designee for this matter.

² Interim Secretary Hayes has designated Charlie W. Rowland as his designee for this matter.

Governor Andy Beshear

May 25, 2021

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For your convenience, I have enclosed a copy of Executive Order 2021-328, issued by you on May 18, 2021, appointing two ad hoc Siting Board members in the most recent Siting Board Case (Case No. 2020-00226). This format may be used by you to appoint the second ad hoc Siting Board member for the present case.

Please let me know if I can provide you any additional information regarding this case. Any communications regarding this case may be directed either to me or Jesse Fries, Staff Attorney III, at (502) 564-0801. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Schmitt
Chairman

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cc: Kent A. Chandler, Vice Chairman Public Service Commission
Talina R. Mathews, Commissioner Public Service Commission
John S. Lyons, Deputy Secretary Energy and Environment Cabinet
Charlie W. Rowland, Economic Development Cabinet
John McConnell, Office of the Governor



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GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER

Secretary of State
Frankfort
Kentucky

2021 - 328
May 18, 2021

By virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 278.702 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, I, Andy Beshear, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby appoint the following as members of the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting:

Jeffrey Hoover, Jamestown, representing residents of Russell County; and

Gary D. Robertson, County Judge/Executive, Jamestown, representing Russell County.

Please issue commissions to them.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andy Beshear".

ANDY BESHEAR, GOVERNOR
Commonwealth of Kentucky

MICHAEL G. ADAMS
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Hon. Victor Slone, Judge/Executive
P.O. Box 309
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Inez, Kentucky 41224

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Pursuant to KRS 278.7210(1), the Siting Board is required to issue its decision granting or denying the application within either 120 days or 180 days (if a local public hearing is requested). Therefore, Governor Beshear will be appointing you as soon as is practicable.

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