

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BLUE CREEK WIND FARM, LLC FOR A THIRD AMENDMENT TO ITS CERTIFICATE ISSUED IN CASE NUMBER 09-1066-EL-BGN

# Blue Creek Wind Farm

Townships of Hoaglin, Tully, and Union, Van Wert County Townships of Benton, Blue Creek, and Latty, Paulding County

## Case No. 25-1031-EL-BGA

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**BEFORE  
THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD**

In the Matter of the Third Amendment )	
Application of Blue Creek Wind Farm, LLC )	
to its Certificate of Environmental )	
Compatibility and Public Need for the )	Case No. 25-1031-EL-BGA
Construction of a Wind Powered Electric )	
Generation Facility )	

**AFFIDAVIT OF AMY PARSONS OF BLUE CREEK WIND FARM, LLC**

STATE OF OREGON	:	
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COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH	:	

I, Amy Parsons, being duly sworn and cautioned, state that I am over 18 years of age and competent to testify to the matters stated in this affidavit and further state the following based upon my personal knowledge:

1. I am the Director of O&M Permit Compliance of Blue Creek Wind Farm, LLC (“Blue Creek”).
2. Blue Creek’s Application to the Ohio Power Siting Board for a third amendment to its Certificate for authority to expand the existing operations and maintenance building to support facility functions. The Application was prepared and reviewed by Avangrid employees that are the primary individuals in charge of the development of Blue Creek on whom I reasonably rely as subject matter experts.
3. To the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the information and materials contained in the above-referenced Application are true and accurate.

4. To the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the above-referenced Application is complete.

Signature: Amy E. Parsons

Blue Creek Wind Farm, LLC

Legal Initial: AP

Name: Stephanie La Pier

Signature: Stephanie La Pier

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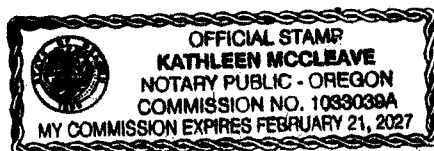
County of Multnomah

Signed and sworn to before me on (date) Nov. 13, 2025 by Amy Parsons  
and Stephanie La Pier.

Signature of notarial officer: Kathleen McCleave

My commission expires: Feb. 21, 2027

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# October 2025

## **BACKGROUND AND PROCEDURAL OVERVIEW**

Blue Creek Wind Farm, LLC (the Applicant or Blue Creek) holds a certificate from the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB or Board) to construct, operate, and maintain the Blue Creek Wind Farm (Project or Facility), a wind-powered electric generation facility located within approximately 24,900 acres of land in Hoaglin, Tully, and Union Townships in Van Wert County, and Benton, Blue Creek, and Latty Townships in Paulding County, Ohio (the Project Area). The following is a summary of the OPSB application history for the Project.

### **Initial Application (09-1066-EL-BGN)**

The initial application for a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need was filed with the OPSB on December 21, 2009, with a supplement filed on March 31, 2010, in case number 09-1066-EL-BGN (Initial Application). On July 14, 2010, the Applicant, the staff of the OPSB (OPSB Staff), and the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation (Farm Bureau) filed a Joint Stipulation and Recommendation (Stipulation) in the Initial Application case. The OPSB issued its Opinion, Order, and Certificate (Certificate) in the Initial Application case on August 23, 2010, authorizing the Applicant to construct, operate, and maintain an up to 350-megawatt (MW) wind-powered electric generation facility in Paulding and Van Wert Counties, subject to the conditions set forth in the Stipulation and the Certificate.

### **First Amendment (11-1995-EL-BGA)**

On April 12, 2011, the Applicant filed an application for an amendment to the Certificate in case number 11-1995-EL-BGA (First Amendment). The First Amendment addressed the addition of eight Gamesa G-90 model, 2.0 MW wind turbines at the Facility. This addition increased the total number of wind turbines from 159 to 167 and changed the aggregate generating capacity to up to 334 MW. On June 17, 2011, the OPSB issued its Staff Report in the First Amendment case. The OPSB issued its Order on Certificate on July 25, 2011, approving the First Amendment subject to the conditions set forth in the Certificate and the additional conditions recommended by the OPSB Staff in its Staff Report.

### **Second Amendment (11-3644-EL-BGA)**

An application for a second amendment to the Certificate was filed with the OPSB on June 17, 2011, in case number 11-3644-EL-BGA (Second Amendment). The Second Amendment addressed the maximum noise level permitted to be caused by the turbines at non-participating residences within the Project boundary and within 1 mile of the Project Area. On September 26, 2011, the OPSB Staff issued its Staff Report in the Second Amendment case. The OPSB issued its Order on Certificate in case number 11-3644-EL-BGA on November 28, 2011, approving the Second

Amendment subject to the conditions set forth in the Certificate, as well as the additional conditions approved in the First Amendment and those recommended by the OPSB Staff in its Staff Report.

### **THIRD AMENDMENT**

The purpose of this application (Third Amendment) is to present an expansion of the existing operations and maintenance (O&M) building to support O&M facility functions. This expanded building will be used to house materials, equipment, and staff for the Project. Construction is expected to begin in spring of 2026 and is anticipated to take approximately 4 months, after which the expansion will be placed in service. Any delays in approval of this Third Amendment application would result in a delay in the construction and use of the O&M building expansion.

#### **Description of Proposed Facility**

The existing O&M building is located in Hoaglin Township, Van Wert County, near the south side of Fife Road, approximately 3,000 feet east of State Route 127. The O&M building will be expanded to the north, as shown in Figure 1. The expansion will be approximately 70 feet in width by 102 feet in length, which will approximately double the size of the existing building. The expansion's exterior will be of materials and colors consistent with those of the existing building.

No additional water, sewage, or electrical services are needed as the existing services at the O&M building are sufficient. Access to the expanded building will remain the same as for the existing building. No additional fencing will be required as the entire expansion will be located within the existing fenceline of the Blue Creek O&M area.

#### **Impacts of O&M Building Expansion**

The O&M building expansion will be constructed in a graveled area within the existing O&M fenceline. Therefore, no new land use impacts will occur. Visually, the expansion will have the same general external appearance as the existing building. The nearest residential structures are approximately 380 feet to the east and 1,200 feet to the west of the expansion. Existing vegetation at the residential properties to the east and west will provide screening of the building expansion. Existing mitigation plantings along the northern fenceline will soften the view of the expansion along Fife Road.

## Conclusion

This Third Amendment application seeks OPSB approval for a minor modification to the Facility layout through the expansion of the existing O&M building. The proposed expansion is entirely within the existing developed footprint, does not introduce new environmental or operational impacts, and will serve both the Blue Creek Wind Farm and the adjacent Wild Grains Solar Facility.

**Figure 1. O&M Building Site Plan**

