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## Kentucky Siting Board to Conduct Public Hearing on Proposed Rhudes Creek Solar Project in Hardin County

Meeting Date: Jan. 10, 2022

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Dec. 6, 2021)** – The Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (Siting Board) will conduct a public hearing to provide information and receive public comments on a proposed 100-megawatt solar generation facility in Hardin County, Kentucky.

## Meeting details:

Monday, Jan. 10, 2022, 4:00 p.m. ET Hardin County Cooperative Extension Office 111 Opportunity Way Elizabethtown, KY 42701

The public comment period will be preceded by a brief presentation by PSC staff on the Electric Generation and Transmission Siting Board process and an overview of the application filed by Rhudes Creek Solar LLC.

Rhudes Creek Solar is proposing to construct a 100-MW solar generation facility on an approximately 1,000-acre site near Elizabethtown, Kentucky (Case No. 2021-00127).

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. The Siting Board 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 the Rhudes Creek Solar case are Mark Hinton, Chairman of the Hardin County Planning & Development Commission, and Larry Waddell, Resident Representative. The application and related documents are available on the PSC website: https://psc.ky.gov/Case/ViewCaseFilings/2021-00127.

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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