

NEWS RELEASE

Office of Commissioner Brandon Presley
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
NORTHERN DISTRICT

PRESLEY APPROVES STATES' LARGEST SOLAR FARM AND BATTERY PROJECT

Lowndes County, Mississippi (May 3, 2021) – Today, Northern District Public Service Commissioner Brandon Presley announced the approval of Mississippi's largest solar farm and battery storage project. The Lowndes County project by Origis will be located near the Town of Artesia on 3,900 acres of land with an output of 200 megawatts. The project will generate enough electricity to power 45,920 homes from 650,000 solar panels. Origis's private investment of \$200 million will create approximately 350 construction jobs and 5 to 7 permanent jobs. The project will also include a 50 megawatt battery storage facility to store electricity for peak usage, making it the largest battery storage in the state.

"This project sends a signal to the world that Mississippi is dedicated to smart renewable energy expansion and energy independence. The investment by Origis is an economic development boom for the Golden Triangle and for the development of Mississippi's resources. With the addition of battery storage, this project will provide new technology, weatherization and harness Mississippi's solar energy in a way unseen until now," said Public Service Commissioner Brandon Presley.



for more information contact:

Commissioner Brandon Presley ~ P.O. Box 1174 ~ Jackson, MS 39215-1174

1-800-356-6428 or 1-800-637-7722 ~ brandon.presley@psc.state.ms.us ~ www.psc.state.ms.us