

NEW YORK STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC
GENERATION SITING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

CASE 16-F-0713 - Application of Atlantic Wind LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 of the Public Service Law for the Mad River Wind Farm Project in the Towns of Redfield and Worth in Oswego and Jefferson Counties.

NOTICE OF PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE
TO CONSIDER PRE-APPLICATION INTERVENOR FUNDING REQUESTS
AND TO INITIATE THE STIPULATIONS PROCESS

(Issued January 26, 2018)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a procedural conference will be held in this proceeding, in which the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (the Siting Board) is considering a proposal by Atlantic Wind LLC (Atlantic Wind), a wholly owned subsidiary of Avangrid Renewables LLC, to construct the Mad River Wind Farm, a commercial-scale wind power project, in the Town of Worth in Jefferson County and the Town of Redfield in Oswego County (the Mad River Project or the Project).

As currently proposed, the Project would consist of up to 88 utility-scale wind turbines, with a total Project nameplate capacity of up to 350 megawatts. The Project is expected to include access roads, meteorological towers, construction staging areas, a temporary concrete batch plant, and an operation and maintenance facility. The Project would also include construction of underground and overhead collection lines to collect power from the turbines and deliver it to a collection substation. To deliver power to the New York State power grid, Atlantic Wind would interconnect the collection substation with the Volney-Marcy 345 kilovolt transmission line,

between the Town of Amboy and the Town of Camden, Oneida County. The transmission line is owned and operated by National Grid.

Under Article 10 of the Public Service Law, before filing an application for approval to construct a generating facility, an entity must first file a Preliminary Scoping Statement, or PSS, with the Siting Board, which initiates the preliminary scoping phase of the proceeding. Atlantic Wind filed its PSS on December 29, 2017. The preliminary scoping phase will determine the nature and scope of the studies Atlantic Wind must undertake to develop the information that must be included in its formal application. In general, such studies will identify and evaluate the potential impacts of a project on the environment, public health, and other public interest factors. State agencies and other interested persons are encouraged to engage in discussions with the project developer during this phase to reach agreements, called stipulations, regarding the details of these studies. Pre-application intervenor funding is available for eligible municipalities and local residents to participate in the preliminary scoping phase of this proceeding.

The pre-application procedural conference will be held before Administrative Law Judges Erika Bergen, of the Department of Public Service, and Maria Villa, of the Department of Environmental Conservation, as follows:

Date: Monday, February 26, 2018

**Location: Redfield Volunteer Fire Department
4879 County Route 17
Redfield, New York 13437**

Time: 5:00 p.m.

The conference has two primary purposes. First, the Judges will ask questions, and possibly make contemporaneous rulings, on previously filed requests for pre-application intervenor funds. Participants should be prepared to discuss their funding requests. Participants are encouraged to consider the consolidation of requests with similar funding requests of other participants. Second, at the conference the Judges will explain and initiate the stipulations process. It is expected that Atlantic Wind, entities that have submitted requests for pre-application intervenor funds, and persons or parties interested in pursuing stipulations will attend and participate in the pre-application procedural conference.

Pursuant to earlier notices issued in this case, comments on the Preliminary Scoping Statement are due by January 31, 2018, and requests for pre-application intervenor funding are due on February 2, 2018. These notices can be found on the Department of Public Service's web page, www.dps.ny.gov, by entering 16-F-0713 in the "Search by Case Number" option. Additional information about the intervenor funding process can be found on the Siting Board's web page, www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard.

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Secretary