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May 4, 2017

VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL and ELECTRONIC FILING

Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess
Secretary to the Commission
New York State Public Service Commission
Empire State Plaza
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Re: Case No. 16-F-0268: Application of Atlantic Wind LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Construct up to a 100 Megawatt Wind-Powered Electric Generating Facility in the Towns of Parishville and Hopkinton, St. Lawrence County, New York

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Atlantic Wind LLC ("Atlantic Wind") is proposing to construct a major electric generating facility in the Towns of Parishville and Hopkinton, St. Lawrence County, New York (the "Facility"). To construct and operate the Facility, Atlantic Wind is seeking a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need ("Certificate") from the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment ("Siting Board") pursuant to Article 10 of the Public Service Law ("PSL") and the Siting Board's rules (16 NYCRR Part 1000).

Pursuant to PSL §163 and §1000.5 of the Siting Board's rules (16 NYCRR §1000.5), Atlantic Wind hereby files its Preliminary Scoping Statement ("PSS"). Please find enclosed ten paper copies of the PSS. The check representing the required filing fee for pre-application intervenor funding as required by PSL §163(4) is being provided under separate cover.

The PSS follows the statutory requirements of Article 10 (PSL §163(1)) and the Siting Board's rules (16 NYCRR §1000.5(l)). The PSS contains, *inter alia*, a description of the proposed Facility and the studies or program of studies designed to evaluate potentially significant adverse environmental and health impacts. The results of the studies will be included in its Application for an Article 10 certificate.

Pursuant to Article 10 (PSL §163(2)) and Section 1000.5 of the Siting Board's rules, copies of the PSS have been served on the parties identified in 16 NYCRR §1000.5(c). (See, Affidavit of Service attached as Attachment 1 in compliance with 16 NYCRR §1000.5(f)(a)).

Pursuant to Section 1000.5(d), notice of the PSS was published in the newspapers identified in the Public Involvement Program Plan (PIP): *Watertown Daily Times* on April 26th and 29th, the *Daily Courier Observer* on April 26th and 29th, and in the *Adirondack Daily Enterprise* on April 26th and 29th. Notice of the PSS was also published in the *North Country This Week* on April 26th and on the website www.NorthCountryNow.com. An affidavit of publication in compliance with 1000.5(f)(c) from the Watertown Daily Times, the Daily Courier Observer, the Adirondack Daily Enterprise, and North Country This Week will be filed when it is received from the newspaper. A copy of the Notice is attached hereto as Attachment 2.

Pursuant to Section 1000.5(e), at least three days' advance notice of the filing of the PSS was served on each member of the State Legislature in whose district the Facility is proposed to be located. A copy of the letter and Affidavit of Service is attached hereto as Attachment 3. In addition, this office served notice on the two host municipalities by letters to the Supervisors dated April 25, 2017.

Pursuant to Section 1000.5(e)(3), on April 27, 2017, our office sent an electronic mail correspondence to the party list maintained by the Secretary on the Facility's Document and Matter Management website, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment 4 in compliance with 1000.5(f)(b), together with an Affidavit of Service of same.

Pursuant to 1000.5(g), any person, agency or municipality may submit comments on the PSS with 21 days (or by May 25, 2017) by filing a copy with the Secretary and serving the Applicant at the following address:

Jenny L. Briot
Two Radnor Corp. Center, Suite 200
100 Matsonford Road
Radnor, PA 19087

Atlantic Wind looks forward to working with the interested parties and stakeholders during the pre-application phase of this process on the scope and content of the Application.

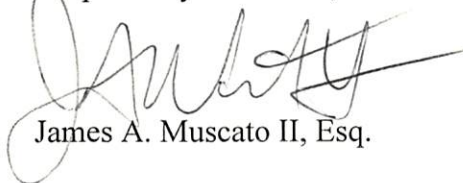
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May 4, 2017

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Please do not hesitate to call me with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Muscato II", written over a horizontal line.

James A. Muscato II, Esq.

cc: Service List

Attachment 1: Affidavit of Service for 1000.5(f)(a) – Copies of the PSS

Attachment 2: Copy of Notice of Filing PSS

Attachment 3: Copy of letters to Legislatures for 1000.5(f)(b)

Attachment 4: Affidavit of Service for 1000.5(f)(b) – Advance Notice of PSS Filing to Party List

Attachment 1: Affidavit of Service for 1000.5(f)(a)

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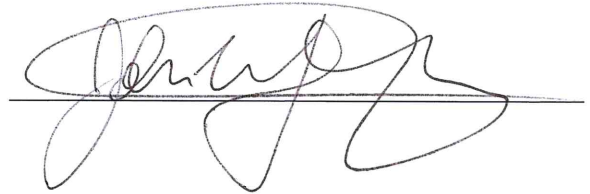
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Case No. 16-F-0268

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF ONONDAGA) ss.:

John Wojcikiewicz, being duly sworn on the 3rd day of May, in the year 2017, deposes and says that she/he will, on the 4th day of May, in the year 2017, serve a copy of Atlantic Wind's Preliminary Scoping Statement for the North Ridge Wind Farm, with exhibits and appendices thereto, by mailing a true hard copy and/or digital copy, or copies, thereof via UPS Ground, upon the recipients identified in the attached list. Those persons included on the DPS Party List have consented to Party to Party Electronic Service and shall be served accordingly.



Sworn to me before me
this 3rd day of May, 2017

Mary E. Vanelli
Notary Public

MARY E. VANELLI
Notary Public - State of New York
No. 01VA6197320
Qualified in Madison County
My Commission Expires November 24, 2020

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Judy Drabicki, Regional Director NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Region 6 317 Washington St. Watertown, NY 13601	3 paper copies
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Howard Zemsky, Commissioner NYS Department of Economic Development 625 Broadway Albany, NY 12245	2 paper copies
Susan Wood, Town Supervisor Town of Hopkinton 7 Church St. Hopkinton, NY 12965	1 paper copy

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Rossana Rosado, Acting Secretary of State NYS Department of State 99 Washington Avenue Suite 640 Albany, NY 12231	1 paper copy
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Attachment 2: Copy of Notice of Filing PSS

NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF PRELIMINARY SCOPING STATEMENT

Atlantic Wind LLC (Applicant), a subsidiary of Avangrid Renewables, LLC (ARI), is proposing to submit an Application to construct the North Ridge Wind Farm (Facility), a wind-powered major electric generating facility under Article 10 of the Public Service Law (Project). This notice announces that on or about May 1, 2017 the Applicant will file a Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS) pursuant to 16 NYCRR 1000.5, which is designed to gather input from the public and interested participants on the scope and methodology of studies, to be conducted in support of the Application which will be filed at a later date. **The filing will start a 21-day public comment period on the PSS scope and methodology of the studies proposed.**

The Facility is currently proposed to be an up to 100 megawatt (MW) wind-powered electric generating facility. The Facility components are proposed to include the installation and operation of up to 40 wind turbines in the Towns of Parishville and Hopkinton, together with the associated collection lines (below grade and overhead), access roads, permanent meteorological towers, laydown areas and an operation and maintenance (O&M) building. To deliver electricity to the New York State power grid, the Applicant proposes to construct a collection substation adjacent to a National Grid interconnection switching station which will interconnect with National Grid's Colton to Malone #3 115 kV transmission line in the Town of Hopkinton. The Facility is proposed to be located on leased private land that is generally rural in nature. The actual footprint of the proposed facilities will be located within the leased land, and will enable farmers and landowners to continue with farming operations or other land uses such as forestry practices.

The Facility will result in the generation of electricity from wind, a renewable energy source, avoiding harmful emissions and the use of water resources that are typically associated with energy generation. In addition, the Facility assists the State in meeting the goals of the 2015 State Energy Plan and the goals supporting the Clean Energy Standard which seek to reach 50 percent of energy generation from renewable resources by 2030, and other State policy initiatives consistent with the development of the Facility. Other positive impacts to be discussed in the PSS include employment opportunities, specifically by generating temporary construction employment and full-time jobs, and increased revenues to County and local municipality tax bases, payments to the local hospitality industry, purchase of local supplies and goods, and lease revenues to participating landowners.

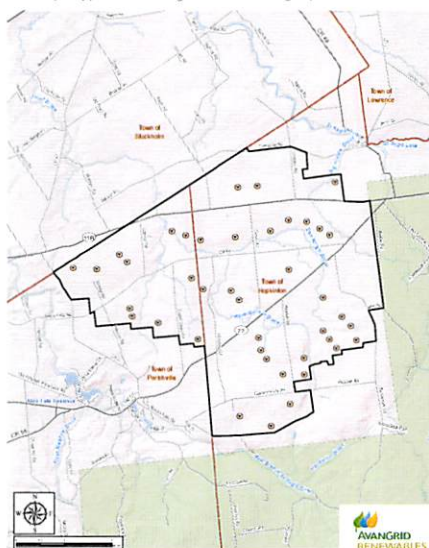
The PSS describes and identifies: the environmental setting in the Facility area; potential environmental and health impacts from construction and operation of the Facility; proposed benefits of the Facility; proposed studies (including preconstruction studies and post-construction monitoring); proposed measures to minimize environmental impacts; reasonable alternatives; other required permits/authorizations; and other relevant information to be evaluated and included in the Application. The PSS also provides a preliminary scope of an environmental impact analysis containing a discussion of potentially significant adverse environmental and health impacts to be assessed relating to the construction and operation of the Facility, including potential impacts to: land use in the Facility area; public health and safety; terrestrial ecology, including avian and bat species; wetlands, water resources and aquatic ecology; communications, transportation and utilities; cultural, historical and recreational resources; visual/aesthetic resources, including potential for shadow flicker; sound; electromagnetic fields; and impacts on the statewide electrical system.

Within 21 days after the filing of the PSS, any person, agency or municipality may submit comments on the PSS by serving such comments on the Applicant and filing a copy with the Secretary of the Department of Public Service. The Applicant will prepare a summary of the material comments and its reply thereto within 21 days after the closing of the comment period. The scoping process is overseen and mediated by a Hearing Examiner designated by the DPS. Notice will be provided from the Hearing Examiner for scheduling the participants scoping and intervenor funding conference and dates for filing intervenor funding applications.

No less than 90 days after the filing of the PSS, the Applicant may submit an Article 10 Application. Building on the Scoping process and any stipulations agreed to by the parties, the Application will include the studies developed as part of the Scoping process in support of the Project. The Application will include a description of the Facility, an evaluation of environmental and health impacts, a summary of public involvement activities, an evaluation of reasonable and available alternative locations, if any, a statement of why any local substantive standards should not be applied, if any, an electric interconnection study including general design study and System Reliability Impact Study (SRIS), security and emergency plans, a statement demonstrating compliance with the most recent State Energy Plan, and other information. The Application will also contain the information set forth in 16 NYCRR 1001, Exhibits 1-41 unless otherwise waived by the Siting Board or otherwise not applicable.

Once an Application is filed and determined by the Siting Board to be compliant with the requirements in PSL §164, the Hearing Examiner will schedule a public hearing on the Application. The Hearing Examiner will also issue a notice of availability of application intervenor funds that are available to be used by parties to participate in formal review of the Application. A pre-hearing conference will be scheduled by the Hearing Examiner to identify intervenors, award intervenor funds, identify issues for the hearing and establish a case schedule. Additional hearings regarding the application and project impact assessments will be scheduled by the Hearing Examiner as needed. After hearings, the stakeholders may brief their positions and the Hearing Examiner will issue a recommended decision upon which the Siting Board will base its decision. Article 10 requires that all proceedings on the Application, including a final decision by the Siting Board, must be completed within 12 months of when the Application is determined to be complete.

Upon the filing of the PSS, the Applicant will provide funding in the amount of \$35,000.00, as required by Article 10, to be disbursed by the Hearing Examiner to municipalities and other local parties to help pay expenses, including attorneys and consultants, associated with participating in the Article 10 process during the pre-application review phase. Fifty percent (50%) of these intervenor funds are reserved for municipalities. Additional intervenor funds will be available for the Application/Hearing Phases. Following the filing of a PSS, the Hearing Examiner or the Secretary shall issue a notice of availability of pre-application intervenor funds, providing a schedule and related information describing how interested members of the public may apply for pre-application funds. Requests for pre-application funds must be submitted to the Hearing Examiner within thirty (30) days after the issuance of the notice of the availability of pre-application intervenor funds. A pre-application meeting to consider funding requests will be convened within no less than 45 but no more than 60 days after the filing of the PSS.



Wind Turbine

Facility Area

Adirondack Park

Town Boundary

TO OBTAIN INFORMATION REGARDING THE PROJECT, PLEASE CONTACT:

Contact Information for Applicant:

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Two Radnor Corp. Center, Suite 200 | 100 Matsonford Road
Radnor, PA 19087
Phone: 610-254-9800 | Fax: 484-654-1069
Email: NorthRidgeWind@avangrid.com

Contact Information for DPS Article 10 Coordinator:

James Denn
New York State Public Service Commission
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Albany, NY 12223-1350
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Information is also available at the public document repositories and on the web. The DPS website is (<http://www.dps.ny.gov/>). To access documents, go to "Search" at the top of the webpage, then search using the Case Number 16-F-0268 or the direct link:
<http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterCaseNo=16-F-0268> or
by going to the Project-specific website maintained by the Applicant:
<http://www.avangridrenewables.us/northridge/index.html>.

FILE A REQUEST FOR NOTICES:

Any interested member of the public may file a request with the DPS Secretary to receive copies of all notices concerning the Project, including but not limited to notices regarding any proposed pre-application stipulation. Written requests should be sent to the DPS Secretary at secretary@dps.ny.gov or sent by mail to the following address:

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Attachment 3: Copy of Letters to Legislators for 1000.5(f)(b)

NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Application of Atlantic Wind LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Construct up to a 100 Megawatt Wind-Powered Electric Generating Facility in the Towns of Parishville and Hopkinton, St. Lawrence County, New York

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

Case No. 16-F-0268

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF ALBANY) ss.:

KAYLEIGH J. ROBINSON, being duly sworn deposes and says that deponent is over the age of 18 years and is not a party in this proceeding. On April 25, 2017 deponent served the within Notice of Submission of Preliminary Scoping Statement regarding the North Ridge Wind Farm upon the following by depositing a true and correct copy of the same, enclosed in a post-paid, properly addressed wrapper in a depository under the exclusive care and custody of FEDERAL EXPRESS for overnight delivery located at Kimberly Square, 475 Albany Shaker Road, Albany, New York, 12211:

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Town of Hopkinton
7 Church Street
Hopkinton, NY 12965
(Tracking No. 778989881685)


Rod Votra, Town Supervisor
Town of Parishville
1772 State Highway 72
Parishville, NY 13672
(Tracking No. 778989767737)

NYS Senator Betty Little
NYS Senate District 45
Albany Office
Legislative Office Building, Rm. 310
Albany, NY 12247
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NYS Assemblymember Marc W. Butler
NYS Assembly District 118
Albany Office
LOB 525
Albany, NY 12248
(Tracking No. 778990040595)

NYS Assemblymember Billy Jones
NYS Assembly District 115
Albany Office
LOB 639
Albany, NY 12248
(Tracking No. 778990103192)

Sworn to before me this
25th day of April, 2017



KAYLEIGH J. ROBINSON


NOTARY PUBLIC

TRACY J. POOLE
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01PO6036309
Qualified in Albany County
Commission Expires Jan. 24, 2018

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Re: Notice of Atlantic Winds LLC Preliminary Scoping Statement Case No. 16-F-0268

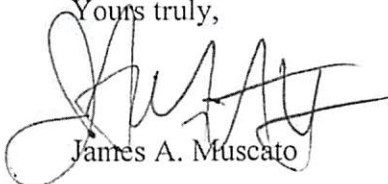
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As you are aware, Atlantic Wind LLC ("the Applicant"), is proposing to construct the North Ridge Wind Farm, in the Towns of Hopkinton and Parishville, New York. To construct the facility, the Applicant is seeking a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need ("CECPN") from the New York State Board on Electric Generating Siting and the Environment ("Siting Board") pursuant to Article 10 of the Public Service Law and the Siting Board's rules (16 NYCRR Part 1000).

The Siting Board's rules require that, at least ninety (90) days before filing its application for a CECPN, the Applicant file a Preliminary Scoping Statement ("PSS"). As a courtesy we are providing you notice that the Preliminary Scoping Statement will be filed on or about May 1, 2017. The filing of the PSS will commence a 21-day public comment period. We are providing notice to you in advance so that you are aware of the upcoming filing and the public comment period. Attached is a Notice that will appear in the newspapers in the project area in the near future.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions regarding the Project.

Yours truly,



James A. Muscato

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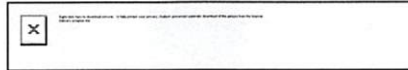
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


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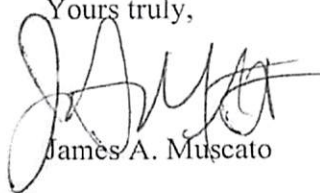
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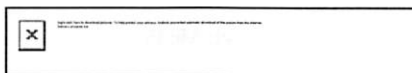
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


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April 25, 2017

NYS Senator Betty Little
NYS Senate District: 45
Albany Office
Legislative Office Building, Rm. 310
Albany, NY 12247

Re: Notice of Atlantic Winds LLC Preliminary Scoping Statement Case No. 16-F-0268

Dear Senator Little:

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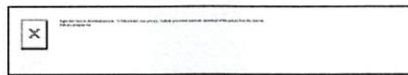
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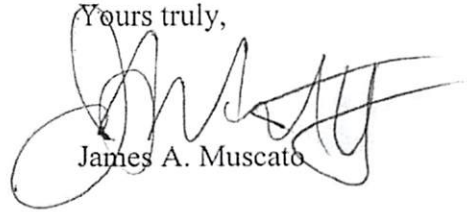
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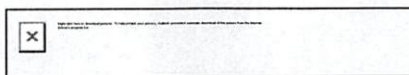
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


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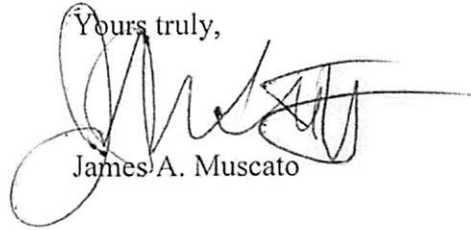
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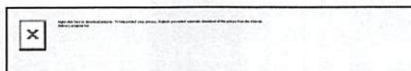
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


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NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Application of Atlantic Wind LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Construct up to a 100 Megawatt Wind-Powered Electric Generating Facility in the Towns of Parishville and Hopkinton, St. Lawrence County, New York

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

Case No. 16-F-0268

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF ALBANY) ss.:

KAYLEIGH J. ROBINSON, being duly sworn deposes and says that deponent is over the age of 18 years and is not a party in this proceeding. On April 25, 2017 deponent served the within Notice of Submission of Preliminary Scoping Statement regarding the North Ridge Wind Farm via email upon the following parties:

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KAYLEIGH J. ROBINSON

Sworn to before me this
27th day of April, 2017



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NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF PRELIMINARY SCOPING STATEMENT

Atlantic Wind LLC (Applicant), a subsidiary of Avangrid Renewables, LLC (AR), is proposing to submit an Application to construct the North Ridge Wind Farm (Facility), a wind-powered major electric generating facility under Article 10 of the Public Service Law (Project). This notice announces that on or about May 1, 2017 the Applicant will file a Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS) pursuant to 16 NYCRR 1000.5, which is designed to gather input from the public and interested participants on the scope and methodology of studies, to be conducted in support of the Application which will be filed at a later date. **The filing will start a 21-day public comment period on the PSS scope and methodology of the studies proposed.**

The Facility is currently proposed to be an up to 100 megawatt (MW) wind-powered electric generating facility. The Facility components are proposed to include the installation and operation of up to 40 wind turbines in the Towns of Parishville and Hopkinton, together with the associated collection lines (below grade and overhead), access roads, permanent meteorological towers, laydown areas and an operation and maintenance (O&M) building. To deliver electricity to the New York State power grid, the Applicant proposes to construct a collection substation adjacent to a National Grid interconnection switching station which will interconnect with National Grid's Colton to Malone #3 115 kV transmission line in the Town of Hopkinton. The Facility is proposed to be located on leased private land that is generally rural in nature. The actual footprint of the proposed facilities will be located within the leased land, and will enable farmers and landowners to continue with farming operations or other land uses such as forestry practices.

The Facility will result in the generation of electricity from wind, a renewable energy source, avoiding harmful emissions and the use of water resources that are typically associated with energy generation. In addition, the Facility assists the State in meeting the goals of the 2015 State Energy Plan and the goals supporting the Clean Energy Standard which seek to reach 50 percent of energy generation from renewable resources by 2030, and other State policy initiatives consistent with the development of the Facility. Other positive impacts to be discussed in the PSS include employment opportunities, specifically by generating temporary construction employment and full-time jobs, and increased revenues to County and local municipality tax bases, payments to the local hospitality industry, purchase of local supplies and goods, and lease revenues to participating landowners.

The PSS describes and identifies: the environmental setting in the Facility area; potential environmental and health impacts from construction and operation of the Facility; proposed benefits of the Facility; proposed studies (including preconstruction studies and post-construction monitoring); proposed measures to minimize environmental impacts; reasonable alternatives; other required permits/authorizations; and other relevant information to be evaluated and included in the Application. The PSS also provides a preliminary scope of an environmental impact analysis containing a discussion of potentially significant adverse environmental and health impacts to be assessed relating to the construction and operation of the Facility, including potential impacts to: land use in the Facility area; public health and safety; terrestrial ecology, including avian and bat species; wetlands, water resources and aquatic ecology; communications, transportation and utilities; cultural, historical and recreational resources; visual/aesthetic resources, including potential for shadow flicker; sound; electromagnetic fields; and impacts on the statewide electrical system.

Within 21 days after the filing of the PSS, any person, agency or municipality may submit comments on the PSS by serving such comments on the Applicant and filing a copy with the Secretary of the Department of Public Service. The Applicant will prepare a summary of the material comments and its reply thereto within 21 days after the closing of the comment period. The scoping process is overseen and mediated by a Hearing Examiner designated by the DPS. Notice will be provided from the Hearing Examiner for scheduling the participants scoping and intervenor funding conference and dates for filing intervenor funding applications.

No less than 90 days after the filing of the PSS, the Applicant may submit an Article 10 Application. Building on the Scoping process and any stipulations agreed to by the parties, the Application will include the studies developed as part of the Scoping process in support of the Project. The Application will include a description of the Facility, an evaluation of environmental and health impacts, a summary of public involvement activities, an evaluation of reasonable and available

alternative locations, if any, a statement of why any local substantive standards should not be applied, if any, an electric interconnection study including general design study and System Reliability Impact Study (SRIS), security and emergency plans, a statement demonstrating compliance with the most recent State Energy Plan, and other information. The Application will also contain the information set forth in 16 NYCRR 1001, Exhibits 1-41 unless otherwise waived by the Siting Board or otherwise not applicable.

Once an Application is filed and determined by the Siting Board to be compliant with the requirements in PSL §164, the Hearing Examiner will schedule a public hearing on the Application. The Hearing Examiner will also issue a notice of availability of application intervenor funds that are available to be used by parties to participate in formal review of the Application. A pre-hearing conference will be scheduled by the Hearing Examiner to identify intervenors, award intervenor funds, identify issues for the hearing and establish a case schedule. Additional hearings regarding the application and project impact assessments will be scheduled by the Hearing Examiner as needed. After hearings, the stakeholders may brief their positions and the Hearing Examiner will issue a recommended decision upon which the Siting Board will base its decision. Article 10 requires that all proceedings on the Application, including a final decision by the Siting Board, must be completed within 12 months of when the Application is determined to be complete.

Upon the filing of the PSS, the Applicant will provide funding in the amount of \$35,000.00, as required by Article 10, to be disbursed by the Hearing Examiner to municipalities and other local parties to help pay expenses, including attorneys and consultants, associated with participating in the Article 10 process during the pre-application review phase. Fifty percent (50%) of these intervenor funds are reserved for municipalities. Additional intervenor funds will be available for the Application/Hearing Phases. Following the filing of a PSS, the Hearing Examiner or the Secretary shall issue a notice of availability of pre-application intervenor funds, providing a schedule and related information describing how interested members of the public may apply for pre-application funds. Requests for pre-application funds must be submitted to the Hearing Examiner within thirty (30) days after the issuance of the notice of the availability of pre-application intervenor funds. A pre-application meeting to consider funding requests will be convened within no less than 45 but no more than 60 days after the filing of the PSS.

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Information is also available at the public document repositories and on the web. The DPS website is (<http://www.dps.ny.gov/>). To access documents, go to "Search" at the top of the webpage, then search using the Case Number 16-F-0268 or the direct link:

(<http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterCaseNo=16-F-0268>)

or by going to the Project-specific website maintained by the Applicant:

<http://www.avangridrenewables.us/northridge/index.html>.

File a Request for Notices

Any interested member of the public may file a request with the DPS Secretary to receive copies of all notices concerning the Project, including but not limited to notices regarding any proposed pre-application stipulation. Written requests should be sent to the DPS Secretary at secretary@dps.ny.gov or sent by mail to the following address:

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Title of Matter/Case:	Application of Atlantic Wind LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Expand		Related Matter/Case No:

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