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Via Email to Secretary@dps.ny.gov

Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess
Secretary to the Commission
New York State Public Service Commission
Agency Building 3
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Re: Case No. 16-F-0559: Application of Bluestone Wind, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 of the New York Public Service Law to Construct the Bluestone Wind Energy Facility in the Towns of Sanford and Windsor, Broome County, New York

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Bluestone Wind, LLC ("Bluestone Wind" or "Applicant") is proposing to construct and operate a wind electric generating facility in the Towns of Sanford and Windsor, Broome County, New York (the "Facility"). To construct and operate the Facility, Bluestone Wind is seeking a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need from the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (the "Siting Board") pursuant to Article 10 of the Public Service Law (PSL) and the Siting Board's rules (16 NYCRR Part 1000 et seq.).

Pursuant to PSL § 164 and 16 NYCRR § 1000.6, and as agreed by the parties in executed stipulations, Bluestone Wind hereby files its Application electronically with the Secretary through the Public Service Commission's Document Matter Management (DMM) System. A check for application intervenor funding as required by PSL § 164(6) has been filed under separate cover.

The Application follows the statutory requirements of Article 10 (PSL § 164(1)), the Siting Board's rules (16 NYCRR Part 1001 et seq.), and the executed Stipulations. The Application contains, among other things, a description of the proposed Facility and the studies or program of studies conducted to evaluate potentially significant adverse environmental and health impacts, and the results of those studies along with proposed avoidance, minimization and mitigation measures, where necessary.

Enclosed with the Application is the testimony of each expert witness the Applicant intends to offer at any hearing as required by PSL § 165 (16 NYCRR § 1000.6(c)(1)). The testimony includes the qualification of each witness and specifies the portion of the Application for which each witness is responsible for or supports. (See Attachment 1 to this letter for copies of the pre-filed testimony.)

Pursuant to PSL § 164(2) and 16 NYCRR § 1000.6(a), copies of the Application are being served upon the parties listed on the attached service list. (See Attachment 2 of this letter for a copy of the Service List; an Affidavit of Service of same will be submitted once service has been effected.)

Pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 1000.7(a) and 1000.7(b)(1), notice of the Application with a summary and map (the "Application Notice") was published in the Windsor Standard, the Deposit Courier, and the Press and Sun Bulletin on September 5, 2018, at least three (3) days in advance of the date on which the Application was filed as required by the applicable regulation. In addition, consistent with the stipulations relating to this proceeding, a newspaper notice was also published in the Norwich/Sidney Pennysaver – a free newspaper – on September 4, 2018. Copies of the Affidavits of Publication with the notice and proofs for the Windsor Standard, Deposit Courier and Norwich/Sidney Pennysaver are included as Attachment 3; the remaining affidavit of publication and proof will be filed with the Siting Board upon receipt.

Pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 1000.7(b)(2), on August 31, 2018, which is at least three (3) days in advance of the date on which the Application was filed, a letter enclosing a copy of the Application Notice was served on each member of the State Legislature in whose district any portion of the Facility is proposed to be located. (See Attachment 4 for a copy of the letter and Application Notice, together with proof of service.) A similar letter was sent to the Supervisors for the Towns of Sanford and Windsor on August 31, 2018 as a courtesy.

Pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 1000.7(b)(3), on August 31, 2018, which is at least three (3) days in advance of the date on which the Application was filed, an email attaching a copy of the Application Notice was served on all persons who have filed a statement with the Secretary to the Siting Board that they desire to receive all such notices. (See Attachment 5 for a copy of the email and Application Notice, together with proof of service.)

Pursuant to Section 5.5 of the Applicant's Public Involvement Program Plan (PIP), a letter enclosing a copy of the Application Notice was served on stakeholders as defined in the PIP. Submissions were made based on the information available. (See Attachment 6 for a copy of the letter and Application Notice, together with proof of service.) The Applicant is seeking confidentiality protection for the Master Stakeholder List to preserve the privacy of individuals identified on the list.

Pursuant to Section 5.5 of the Applicant's PIP, on August 31, 2018, a copy of the Notice submitted to the stakeholders as outlined above was uploaded to the website for the Project at: www.bluestonewind.com.

Pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 1000.6(c)(5), the following are the names, addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of the Applicant and its Attorney:

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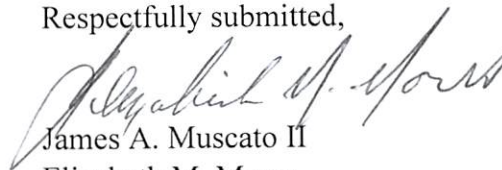
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Finally, enclosed is a copy of the cover letter for the Applicant's motion and comprehensive brief pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 6-1.4 submitted to Presiding Examiners Mullaney and O'Connell, whereby the Applicant requests protection from public disclosure of certain information and documents contained in its Application. (See Attachment 7 for a copy of the letter requesting confidentiality.)

Please do not hesitate to call me with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures:

- Attachment 1: Pre-Filed Testimony
- Attachment 2: Application Service List
- Attachment 3: Affidavits of Publication and Proofs
- Attachment 4: Affidavit of Service of Application Notice upon members of State Legislature
- Attachment 5: Affidavit of Service of Application Notice upon DMM Party List
- Attachment 6: Affidavit of Service of Application Notice upon Stakeholder List
- Attachment 7: Request for Confidentiality

cc: Service List (*via electronic and/or first-class mail pursuant to Attachment 2*)
Party List (*via DMM*)