PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN

Cassadaga Wind Project Chautauqua County, New York

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Cassadaga Wind LLC ("the Applicant"), a subsidiary of EverPower Wind Holdings, Inc. is proposing to submit an Application to construct a major electric generating facility under Article 10 of the Public Service Law ("PSL"). Pursuant to the rules of the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment ("Siting Board"), applicants proposing to submit an Application to construct a major electric generating facility under Article 10 must submit a Public Involvement Program plan ("PIP" or "Plan"). Under 16 NYCRR § 1000.4, the PIP must be submitted to the Department of Public Service ("DPS") for review at least 150 days prior to filing a Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS). This document is intended to be the PIP for the Cassadaga Wind Project ("the Project"). The Project is intended to be an approximately 126 megawatt (MW) wind powered electric generating facility proposed by the Applicant to be located in the Towns of Charlotte, Cherry Creek, Arkwright, and Stockton, Chautauqua County, New York (Figure 1).

As required under 16 NYCRR § 1000.4, the Applicant's PIP plan includes the following components:

- (1) consultation with the affected agencies and other stakeholders;
- (2) pre-application activities to encourage stakeholders to participate at the earliest opportunity;
- (3) activities designed to educate the public as to the specific proposal and the Article 10 review process, including the availability of funding for municipal and local parties;
- (4) the establishment of a website to disseminate information to the public and updates regarding the Project and the Article 10 process;
- (5) notifications to affected agencies and other stakeholders; and
- (6) activities designed to encourage participation by stakeholders in the certification and compliance process.

2.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

2.1 COMPANY PROFILE

The Applicant is a wholly owned subsidy of EverPower Wind Holdings, Inc. ("EverPower"). Headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania with offices in New York and Ohio, EverPower is a developer of utility grade wind projects. Since its founding in 2002, EverPower has used a unique approach to wind power development by partnering with landowners and communities to establish itself as a premier developer, owner, and operator of wind projects in the U.S. To date, EverPower currently has seven operational wind facilities with a nameplate capacity of approximately 752 MW, including the Howard Wind Project in Steuben County, New York. This project has a total generating capacity of 55.35 MWs and uses 27 Repower MM92 turbines. The first 25 turbines became commercial operational in 2011, and the two-turbine second phase

became operational in 2012 (see http://www.everpower.com/projects-howard.shtml for additional information).

2.2 PROJECT SUMMARY

The Cassadaga Wind Project is a proposed 126 MW project located within the Towns of Charlotte, Cherry Creek, Arkwright, and Stockton, Chautauqua County, New York. The proposed Project Area is depicted on Figure 2. The Towns of Gerry and Ellington, within Chautauqua County, adjoin the Project Area to the south. The Town of Villenova, in Chautauqua County, adjoins the Project Area to the north.

The Project will be located on leased private land that is 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.

The proposed Project consists of the construction and operation of a commercial-scale wind power project, including the installation and operation of up to 70 wind turbines, together with the associated collection lines (below grade and overhead), access roads, meteorological towers, operation and maintenance (O&M) building, and related facilities including collection and point of interconnect (POI) substations. The proposed interconnection will be along the Dunkirk-Moon 115 kV transmission line.

The Cassadaga Wind Project will have a nameplate capacity of 126 MW, and is expected to operate at an annual net capacity factor (NCF) of approximately 36%. This means that over the course of a full calendar year the Project would produce up to 397,353 megawatt hours (MWh) of energy (i.e., 126 MW x 24 hrs/day x 365 days x 36%). This will be enough electricity to meet the average annual consumption of between approximately 36,791 and 55,187 households, based on average annual electric consumption of 10.8 MWh for the U.S. and 7.2 MWh for New York State, respectively (EIA, 2014).

The proposed Project will have positive impacts on socioeconomics in the area through employment opportunities, increased revenues to County and local municipality tax bases, payments to local contractors and hospitality sector service providers, and lease revenues to participating landowners.

2.3 STUDY AREA

In 16 NYCRR § 1000.2(ar), the Study Area to be used for analysis of major electric generating facilities is defined as "an area generally related to the nature of the technology and the setting of the proposed site.

For large facilities or wind power facilities with components spread across a rural landscape, the study area shall generally include the area within a radius of at least five miles from all generating facility components, interconnections and related facilities and alternative location sites." The Study Area for the Project includes approximately 40,000 acres (62.5 square miles) and is depicted on Figure 3.

The PSS and the Application will further define the Study Area and will discuss Project alternatives. For purposes of the PIP, the Project Study Area has been defined broadly to include proposed land for the Project components included in the Project. As the Article 10 process develops, specific Project component locations will be identified, in compliance with the siting criteria referenced herein, and discussed with the public, stakeholders and the affected agencies through the PIP plan provided herein. It is presumed that any potential alternatives would be located within the communities identified herein.

With respect to initially identifying the Project Study Area, it should be noted that the selection of appropriate sites for a wind-powered electric generation facility is constrained by numerous factors that are essential considerations for a given project to operate in a technically and economically viable manner. Availability/quality of wind resource and proximity to the bulk power transmission system are the initial screening criteria evaluated in the site selection process for any wind power project. The Applicant's initial evaluation was based on publicly available data, such as the *Wind Resource of New York, Mean Annual Wind Speed at 100 Meters* map prepared by AWS Truewind, along with site visits and capacity analysis for nearby transmission lines. Initial review of this wind resource map indicated the potential for a suitable wind resource in Chautauqua County, and adequate access to the bulk power transmission system. Other important factors that increased the potential to develop a wind power project in the Study Area include willing land lease participants and host communities, and preliminary environmental surveys that have not indicated any significant wildlife or unique natural habitat concerns.

3.0 IDENTIFICATION OF STAKEHOLDERS

The fundamental first step in designing a Public Involvement Program is determining who may be affected by the proposed Project. The Applicant identified affected agencies and municipalities, utilities, host landowners, and other actual stakeholders based on utilizing DPS guidance; prior submissions of other Article 10 PIP plans; review of County GIS records, tax records, and personal visits; consultation with DPS general counsel and special environmental/regulatory counsel; and conducting internet research. Additionally, the Applicant considered the following in compiling its list of actual affected agencies and other actual stakeholders:

- The proposed locations of Project components within the Project Area;
- The point of interconnection;
- Sign-in sheets from previously held public meetings and outreach efforts;
- "Local Party," as defined under 16 NYCRR §1000.2(s);
- "Affected Agencies," as that term is used in 16 NYCRR § 1000 et seq;
- Host municipalities;
- Adjacent municipalities within a 5 mile radius of Project components;
- Public interest groups;
- Host landowners who have a land agreement with Cassadaga Wind LLC;
- Adjacent landowners who have property within 2,500 feet of a turbine or 500 feet other Project components (e.g., collection lines, substation, met tower, O&M facility, etc.), and any additional landowners whose homes are within 5,000 feet of a turbine.
- State and federal elected officials representing the Host and Adjacent Municipalities;

A master list of stakeholders (also referred to as the Notification List), which includes all known, potentially interested parties, was developed based upon the combination of efforts described above (see Exhibit A). Sections 3.1 through 3.9, below, identify stakeholders by category.

3.1 AFFECTED STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES

NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets

NYS Attorney General

New York State Energy Research and Development Authority

NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

NYS Office of General Services

NYS Governor's Office

NYS Department of Health

NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services

NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

NYS Department of Public Service

NYS Department of State

NYS Department of Transportation

New York Independent System Operator

Empire State Development Corporation

State Senator Catharine Young, 57th Senate District

State Assemblyman Andy Goodell, Assembly District 150

US Army Corps of Engineers

US Fish and Wildlife Service

US Federal Aviation Administration

US Department of Defense

US Senator Charles E. Schumer

US Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand

US Representative Tom Reed, District 23

3.2 LOCAL AGENCIES

County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency

Chautauqua County Department of Planning and Economic Development

Chautauqua County – Jamestown Airport

Chautauqua County - Dunkirk Airport

Cherry Creek Fire Department

Sinclairville Fire Department

Cassadaga Fire Department

Stockton Fire Department

Concord Grape Belt Heritage Association

3.3 HOST MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Chautauqua County

Town of Cherry Creek

Town of Charlotte

Town of Arkwright

Town of Stockton

Cassadaga Valley Central School District

Pine Valley Central School District

3.4 ADJACENT MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Cattaraugus County

Village of Cherry Creek

Village of Sinclairville

Village of Cassadaga

Village of South Dayton, Cattaraugus County

Town of Ellery

Town of Ellington

Town of Gerry

Town of Pomfret

Town of Villenova

Town of Conewango, Cattaraugus County

Town of Dayton, Cattaraugus County

Town of Leon, Cattaraugus County

Bemus Point Central School District

Chautauqua Lake Central School District

Falconer Central School District

Forestville Central School District

Fredonia Central School District

Randolph Central School District

3.5 ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDERS - BROADER AREA

Cherry Creek Sno Goers

National Grid

Steuben Rural Electric Cooperative

Empire Energy

National Fuel Gas

AT&T

Verizon

Windstream

Alstar Ambulance

WCA Services Corporation

Silver Creek Emergency Squad

Rural Metro Corporation

3.6 HOST AND ADJACENT LANDOWNERS

Host landowners are landowners with whom the Applicant has entered into a lease or easement agreement. Adjacent landowners are landowners with property within 2,500 feet of a turbine or 500 feet other Project components (e.g., collection lines, substation, met tower, O&M facility, etc.), and any additional landowners whose homes are within 5,000 feet of a turbine. The identities of potential host and adjacent landowners are determined from County GIS records, tax records, and personal visits by representatives of the Applicant. The final layout will be determined by incorporating further input from stakeholders, as well as processing data from fieldwork (e.g., avoidance of impacts to wetlands identified during field delineation efforts). Therefore, specific host and adjacent Landowner information is not included with this PIP. This information will be submitted with the PSS, as required by 16 NYCRR § 1000.5. In addition, the Applicant will send out a mass mailing to all landowners proximate to the Project, which will provide notice to the affected landowners of the proposed project and the Article 10 process.

3.7 PUBLIC INTEREST GROUPS

Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce
Chautauqua County American Legion
Cassadaga Lakes Association
Chautauqua County Citizens for Responsible Wind Power
Chautauqua County Environmental Management Council
Concerned Citizens of Cattaraugus County

3.8 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMUNITIES THAT WILL BE AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSAL

The Cassadaga Wind Project will be subject to the rules contained in 6 NYCRR Part 487 promulgated by the NYSDEC for the analysis of environmental justice issues associated with projects subject to review and approval under Article 10 of the New York Public Service Law.

Per NYSDEC Environmental Justice Policy CP-29, Potential Environmental Justice Areas include census block groups featuring populations that meet or exceed at least one of the following statistical thresholds:

- 1. At least 51.1% of the population in an urban area reported themselves to be members of minority groups; or
- 2. At least 33.8% of the population in a rural area reported themselves to be members of minority groups; or

3. At least 23.59% of the population in an urban or rural area had household incomes below the federal poverty level.

Based on data obtained from the NYSDEC's *Geospatial Information System (GIS) Tools for Environmental Justice* website (www.dec.ny.gov/public/911.html), the nearest Potential Environmental Justice Area to the Project is approximately 4 miles from the nearest proposed turbine locations, and features two adjacent census block groups that include all or part of the Towns of Leon and Conewango (block group ID: 360099605003) and the Towns of New Albion and Napoli (block group ID: 360099605004). Both block groups are designated because at least 23.59% of the population had household incomes below the federal poverty level (Leon-Conewango: 36.08%; New Albion-Napoli: 28.29%).

Because it is sited so far from the Potential Environmental Justice Area, the Project is not expected to have an impact on this (or any other) Environmental Justice area. Further discussion on Environmental Justice areas, including the cumulative impact of existing sources of air pollutants and the projected emission of air pollutants from the proposed facility, will be provided in the PSS and the Application (Exhibit 28) pursuant to the Article 10 requirements set forth at 1000.5(I)(2)(xi).

4.0 LANGUAGE ACCESS

In 16 NYCRR § 1000.4(d), Article 10 regulations require the PIP to identify (1) any language other than English spoken according to United States Census data by 5,000 or more persons residing in any 5-digit zip code postal zone in which any portion of such zone is located within the Study Area for the facility; and (2) any language other than English spoken by a significant population of persons residing in close proximity to the proposed facility, alternative locations, or interconnections.

The Study Area for the Project includes portions of Chautauqua and Cattaraugus Counties; Chautauqua County is a host municipality, while Cattaraugus County is an adjacent municipality. According to the US Census Bureau data from 2008-2012, 7.6% of Chautauqua County residents age 5 or older speak a language other than English at home¹. With a 2012 population estimate of 133,403 persons, this means approximately 9,472 people in the County speak a language other than English at home. In Cattaraugus County, 5.8% of the 79,278 residents age 5 or older (approximately 4,598 persons) speak a language other than English at home².

¹ http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/36/36013.html

² http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/36/36009.html

The Study Area contains portions of fourteen (14) 5-digit zip codes. Table 1 summarizes the most prevalent non-English languages spoken in each of these zip codes.

Table 1. Most Prevalent Non-English Languages Spoken in Study Area Zip Codes

| Zip Code | Language | Number of Speakers |
|----------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 14062 | Spanish or Spanish Creole | 76 |
| 14063 | Spanish or Spanish Creole | 465 |
| 14138 | Other West Germanic Languages | 58 |
| 14712 | Spanish or Spanish Creole | 52 |
| 14718 | Spanish or Spanish Creole | 36 |
| 14723 | German | 12 |
| 14726 | Other West Germanic Languages | 366 |
| 14728 | Hungarian | 14 |
| 14733 | Spanish or Spanish Creole | 77 |
| 14740 | Spanish or Spanish Creole | 13 |
| 14747 | French | 14 |
| 14752 | N/A | N/A |
| 14782 | Spanish or Spanish Creole | 30 |
| 14784 | German | 24 |

Source: http://www.mla.org/map_data

As shown above in Table 1, no language other than English is spoken by more than 5,000 people residing in any zip code within the Study Area.

5.0 PROPOSED PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM

According to 16 NYCRR § 1000.4(c), a Public Involvement Program must include: (1) consultation with the affected agencies and other stakeholders; (2) pre-application activities to encourage stakeholders to participate at the earliest opportunity; (3) activities designed to educate the public as to the specific proposal and the Article 10 review process, including the availability of funding for municipal and local parties; (4) the establishment of a website to disseminate information to the public; (5) notifications; and (6) activities designed to encourage participation by stakeholders in the certification and compliance process. Each of these components of the PIP is described below.

5.1 CONSULTATION WITH THE AFFECTED AGENCIES AND STAKEHOLDERS

Article 10 regulations require both general and specific consultations with affected agencies and municipalities. Affected agencies, listed above in Section 3.1 and 3.2, were identified through review of the Article 10 regulations in consultation with the Project's permitting counsel and environmental consultant. Affected municipalities are identified in Sections 3.3 and 3.4 above. Consultation with affected agencies and municipalities will include the following general steps:

- The Applicant will make an initial contact with each agency or municipality to make certain they are aware of the Project and inform them of the Article 10 process, including steps for intervenor funding and provide information on who to contact with any questions or comments about the Project or about Article 10;
- 2. Subsequent interaction with the agency or municipality as needed to answer specific questions or concerns about the Project, and to identify the applicable studies and impact analyses to be performed and how they pertain to the Project; and
- 3. Other specific consultations as required by the Article 10 regulations.

The goals of the initial consultation with each municipality or agency will be to consult with representatives, disseminate information, request information, and schedule follow up meetings and/or consultations, as appropriate. Specific information provided to the affected agencies and municipalities will include description of the Project and location; explanation the phases of the Article 10 process and how the agency or municipality can participate in each step; description of the available intervenor funding and the process for obtaining funding; information about other planned consultations; and sources of additional information about the Project and Article 10 (e.g., the Project and Siting Board websites). Information to be requested from affected municipalities and agencies may vary by the involvement of each (e.g., whether it is a host or adjacent municipality) but could include topics such as payment in lieu of tax agreements, highway work agreements, local laws, emergency response organizations, environmental impact review, contact information for public interest groups, and determination of which news sources are used for official notices.

Consultations will be deemed successful if (1) the appropriate information about the Project and Article 10 process was provided to agency or municipality representatives, (2) the relevant information requested was gathered to help advance the PIP process and preparation of the Application, and (3) follow up meetings or consultations were either scheduled or will be scheduled, as needed.

The Table provided in Exhibit B lists the affected agencies and municipalities, as identified at the time this PIP was prepared, the goals and objectives of each consultation, and the plan for achieving these goals. Please note that many of these consultations have already been initiated.

5.2 PRE-APPLICATION ACTIVITIES TO ENCOURAGE STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION

Through meetings with various State and local agencies, the Applicant has been engaging in pre-application activities to encourage stakeholder participation since 2011. These activities are described below:

- The Applicant initiated public involvement for the Project by providing general information at the monthly Town Board meeting in the Town of Cherry Creek on August 9, 2011. This was early in the development process: project size and specific turbine locations had yet to be determined. Conceptual information was provided about the possibility of a wind energy facility within the Town, and the Town Board responded positively.
- On November 1, 2012, the Applicant attended the monthly Zoning Board meeting in the Town of Charlotte, where the agenda included a public hearing on an application for a meteorological (met) tower. There was no opposition to the met tower, and the permit application was approved unanimously. The met tower in the Town of Charlotte was erected January 10, 2013. This tower has been collecting site-specific wind data necessary for site plan development.
- The Applicant gave a presentation to members of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Authority (CCIDA) on January 25, 2013. By this time Project plans had been refined to the 126 MW size currently proposed. Topics of discussion included potential use of Boutwell Hill State Forest lands.
- The Applicant and their avian and bat consultants attended a meeting on June 18, 2013, at the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) office in Cortland, New York. On June 27, 2013, the Applicant and their consultants participated in a conference call with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). The purpose of these meetings was to provide the USFWS and NYSDEC with draft avian and bat survey work plans, and obtain agency comment/approval of the work plans.

- On January 15, 2014, the Applicant attended the monthly meeting of the Charlotte Town Board to
 provide updated Project information and discuss the possibility of using State Forest Lands within
 the Town.
- On January 22, the Applicant met with the Cherry Creek Town Supervisor Bill Young and Road Supervisor Ken Chase to provide updated Project information. Mr. Young requested additional information, which the Applicant provided on January 28, 2014 and February 11, 2014.
- The Applicant met with Chautauqua County Executive Vincent Horrigan at the Chautauqua County offices on February 12, 2014 to provide information about the Project.
- The Applicant attended monthly Town Board meetings in Cherry Creek and Charlotte on March 10 and 12, 2014. All Town Board members were present at both meetings, and both Boards voted to pass resolutions of support for enacting law to grant an easement for Project collection lines to cross Boutwell Hill State Forest.
- On March 24, 2014, the Applicant met with Region 5 Staff at the USFWS office in Cortland to
 provide an update on the avian and bat studies planned for the coming spring and summer, in
 accordance with the previously provided work plan. Preliminary results from the fall 2013 studies
 were also presented.

In addition to these engagement activities that have already taken place, the Applicant will continue preapplication activities to encourage stakeholder participation as set forth in the Agency/Municipality Consultations table included in Exhibit B of this PIP. This table will be continuously updated as consultations and stakeholder participation activities take place, and additional means of engagement are identified (as necessary).

5.3 ACTIVITIES TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON THE PROPOSAL, PROCESS, AND FUNDING

Many of the Town Board and Zoning Board meetings at which information was disseminated, as described above, were open to the public.

In addition, the Applicant gave a conference presentation and manned a booth to provide general information about wind energy at the Chautauqua County Energy Conference on November 1 and 2, 2013. The Applicant was a main sponsor of this event, which was free and open to the public.

5.3.1 Public Meetings

The Applicant intends to hold two open house style public meetings prior to submittal of the PSS. It is anticipated that one of these meetings will be held at the Fire Hall in the Village of Sinclairville, and the other meeting will be held in the Village of Cherry Creek (specific location to be determined). All public meetings held by the Applicant will be properly noticed in local newspaper circulations and/or mass mailings.

5.3.2 Educational Materials

The Applicant will develop educational materials to inform the public about wind-generated energy, the proposed Project, and the Article 10 process. These materials will include poster-sized maps and graphics to be displayed at public meetings. In addition, more portable materials (e.g., factsheets or brochures) will be distributed at public meetings, and via local libraries, host municipalities, adjacent municipalities, and/or mailings to stakeholders. These materials will allow the public to learn more about the Project, and will include links to the Siting Board and Project websites. If necessary, these materials will also be produced in non-English languages (see Section 4.0 above for additional information regarding Language Access).

5.4 WEBSITE

The Applicant has recently established a user friendly website in plain English that describes the Project (www.everpower.com/projects-cassadaga.shtml). While still under initial development, this website will describe the Article 10 process and provide Project updates throughout the development and construction phases of the Project to keep the community informed of the Project's status.

In addition to Project updates, the Applicant anticipates that the website will include:

- Project description;
- Project benefits and need;
- Summary of permitting requirements;
- Links to the Siting Board Article 10 Public Information Coordinator, the Siting Board home page, and case-specific documents;
- Information on the Article 10 process;
- Summary of the Intervenor Funding process and how to apply;
- Project layout figures and photosimulations/renderings;
- Project contact information, including email address and toll free telephone number
- Copies of Article 10 and related licensing documents;

- A schedule that lists dates/times/locations for outreach events and key milestone dates, such as when the application will be filed; and
- Tracking Reports summarizing the Project's PIP activities to date, including summaries of stakeholder interactions, comments, and questions.

5.5 NOTIFICATIONS

The Article 10 regulations establish the notification requirements for serving documents and information upon all stakeholders. In accordance with these regulations, the Applicant will issue a notification to all known stakeholders by letter and email list serve, seven (7) or more days prior to each major milestone filing. The notification list, attached hereto as Exhibit A, identifies who will receive each specific notification and when they will be issued. All notifications will be accompanied by a copy of the appropriate DPS filing.

In addition to the letters and emails disseminating the notification of major milestone filings to stakeholders, the Applicant will also publish the notice in local newspapers, including the Jamestown Post-Journal (newspaper of record for the Towns of Charlotte and Cherry Creek) and the Dunkirk Observer (newspaper of record for the Towns of Arkwright and Stockton). Notifications will also be provided on the Project website (www.everpower.com/projects-cassadaqa.shtml).

All public meetings will be appropriately noticed in local newspapers and on the Project website.

5.6 ACTIVITIES TO ENCOURAGE STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS

Beyond the activities described above in Sections 5.1 through 5.5, the Applicant will identify additional, practical measures to encourage stakeholder participation during the certification process. It is anticipated that this will be an ongoing, evolving process throughout all phases of the Article 10 review process (preapplication phase, application phase, hearing and decision phase, and post-certification phase).

The Applicant will track its Public Involvement Program and provide regular updates to DPS Staff, Specifically, the Applicant will maintain a Meeting Log that will provide specifics on all meetings, including dates, locations, attendees, purpose, and follow-up action items. An example Meeting Log is included as Exhibit C of this document.

6.0 REQUIRED AIRPORT/HELIPORT PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION

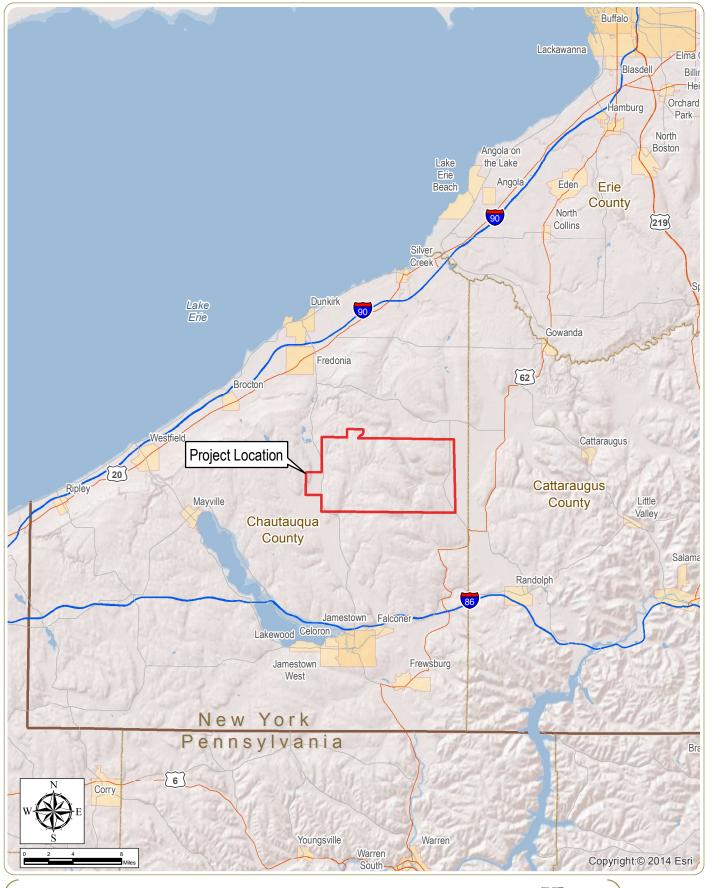
Pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 1001.25(e) & (f), the Applicant shall coordinate with the Federal Aviation Administration, the Department of Defense, and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration to confirm possible affected airports or heliports near the location of the Project, or potential hazards associated with radio signal interference and air traffic control. Each federal entity will be contacted via phone call and/or letter to identify the operators and/or appropriate contact person.

Once the proper operator/representative is determined, the outreach to the operator of the public airport or public heliport will include another phone call, a follow-up letter, and, if necessary, a meeting to provide Project-specific information. The Project-specific information to be provided will include: a detailed map showing the Study Area, Project Area, and location of Project components; coordinates and dimensions for each proposed turbine; a description of the Project construction and operational phases; and a request for review of and comment. In addition, outreach to the Department of Defense will include an initial screening with a follow-up review of the proposed Project, if required.

7.0 REFERENCES

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Cassadaga Wind Project

Towns of Charlotte, Cherry Creek, Arkwright, and Stockton - Chautauqua County, New York

Figure 1: Regional Project Location

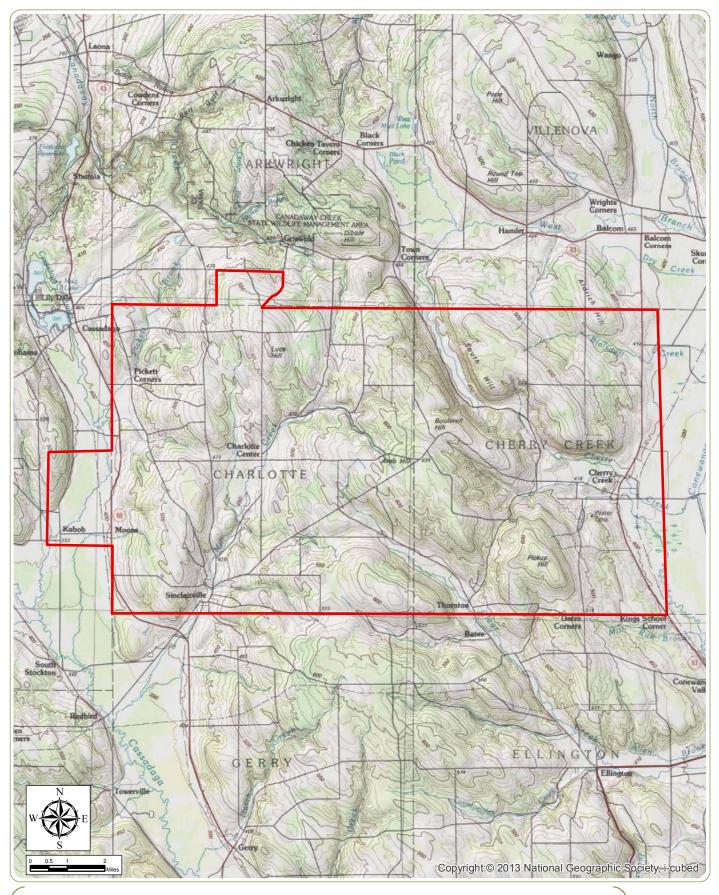
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Towns of Charlotte, Cherry Creek, Arkwright, and Stockton - Chautauqua County, New York

Figure 2: Project Area

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Project Area



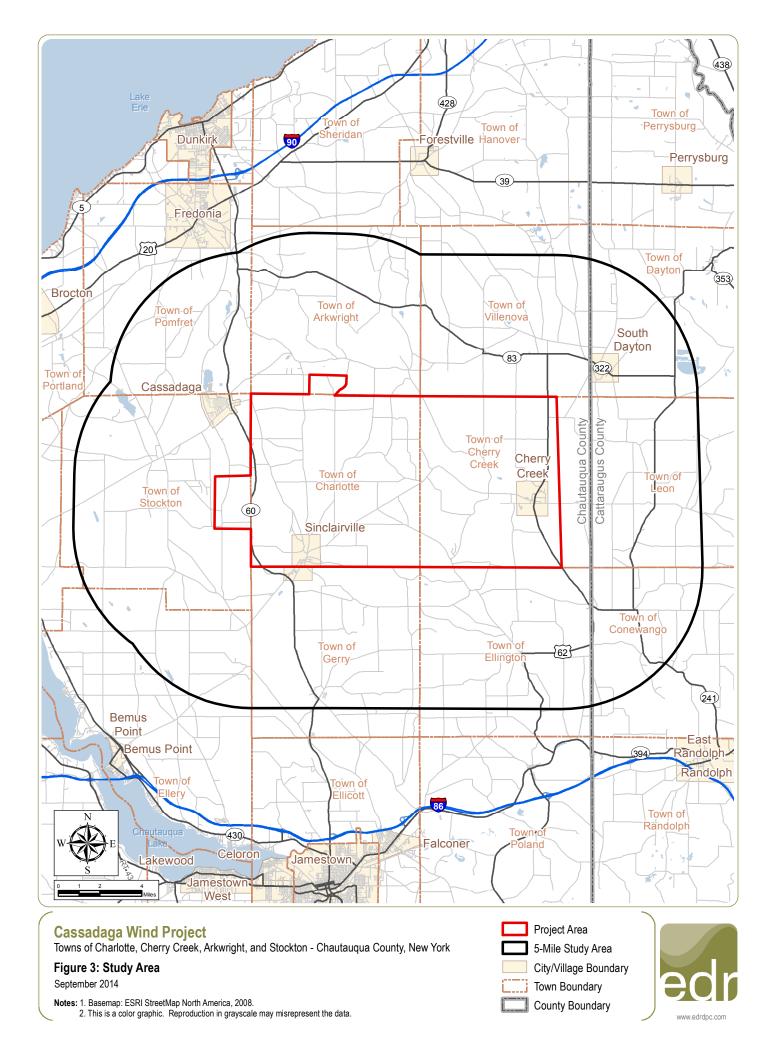


Exhibit A

Master List of Stakeholders/Notification List

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Exhibit B

Affected Agency and Municipality Consultations

Affected Agency and Municipality Consultations

| Agency/Municipality | Goals of Consultation | Plan/Method and Schedule for Consultation | | |
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| | Schools | | | |
| | Provide general information on the Project, Article 10 process, and intervenor funding, and provide contact information. | Letter to be sent before submittal of PSS. | | |
| Cassadaga Valley and Pine Valley Central School Districts | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| (host school districts) | Provide answers to specific questions or concerns. | By phone, mail or in person as requested. | | |
| | Discuss transportation routes to minimize potential delays to school bus pick-ups and drop-off during Project construction. | Meeting or telephone conference at least two months prior to mobilization to site for construction. | | |
| Bemus Point, Chautauqua Lake, Falconer, Forestville, Fredonia, and Randolph Central School Districts (adjacent school districts) | Provide general information on the Project, Article 10 process, and intervenor funding, and provide contact information. | Letter to be sent before submittal of PSS. | | |
| | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| | Provide answers to specific questions or concerns. | By phone, mail or in person as requested. | | |
| (dujuceni senoor districts) | Discuss transportation routes, where applicable, to minimize potential delays to school bus pick-ups and drop-off during Project construction. | Meeting or telephone conference at least two months prior to mobilization to site for construction. | | |
| | Municipalities | | | |
| | Provide general information on the Project, Article 10 process, and intervenor funding, and provide contact information. | Met with Cherry Creek and Charlotte Town Boards multiple times from 2011 through 2014. Will follow up with letters to Town Boards before submittal of PSS. | | |
| Towns of Charm, Crook | Provide notice to Town two weeks prior to submittal of PSS. | Mail notice. | | |
| Towns of Cherry Creek, Charlotte, Arkwright, and Stockton (host municipalities) | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| | Provide answers to specific questions or concerns. | By phone, mail or in person as requested by Town. | | |
| | Determine whether all local laws potentially applicable to the Project have been identified. | Meeting or telephone conference within two months after submittal of PSS. | | |
| | Discuss transportation routes, radius improvements, and use of right-ofway with Town Highway Departments. | Meeting with Town Highway Departments prior to mobilization to site for construction. | | |

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| | Inform local emergency responders of contingency plans in the event of an emergency during construction or operational phases of the Project. | Meeting or telephone conference at least two months prior to mobilization to site for construction. | |
| Villages of Cherry Creek, | Provide general information on the Project, Article 10 process, and intervenor funding, and provide contact information. | Letter to be sent before submittal of PSS. | |
| Sinclairville, Cassadaga, and South Dayton (adjacent | Provide notice two weeks prior to submittal of PSS. | Mail notice. | |
| municipalities) | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | |
| | Provide answers to specific questions or concerns. | By phone, mail or in person as requested. | |
| Towns of Ellery, Ellington, Gerry, Pomfret, Villenova, Conewango, Dayton, and Leon (adjacent municipalities) | Provide general information on the Project, Article 10 process, and intervenor funding, and provide contact information. | Letter to be sent before submittal of PSS. | |
| | Provide notice two weeks prior to submittal of PSS. | Mail notice. | |
| | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | |
| | Provide answers to specific questions or concerns. | By phone, mail or in person as requested. | |
| | County | | |
| | Provide general information on the Project, Article 10 process, and intervenor funding, and provide contact information. | Met with Chautauqua County Executive on February 12, 2014. Will follow up with phone after submitting PIP and letter before submittal of PSS. | |
| | Provide notice to County two weeks prior to submittal of PSS. | Mail notice. | |
| Chautauqua County | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | |
| (host municipality) | Provide answers to specific questions or concerns. | By phone, mail or in person as requested by County. | |
| | Determine whether all local laws potentially applicable to the Project have been identified. | Meeting or telephone conference with County within two months after submittal of PSS. | |
| | Review County Building Department requirements regarding building permits. | Meeting with Building Department prior to mobilization to site for construction. | |

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| | Review County Highway Department requirements for temporary radius improvements, transportation routes, and use of right-of-ways. | Meeting with Highway Department prior to mobilization to site for construction. | | |
| | Provide general information on the Project, Article 10 process, and intervenor funding, and provide contact information. | Letter to be sent before submittal of PSS. | | |
| Cattaraugus County (adjacent municipality) | Provide notice two weeks prior to submittal of PSS. | Mail notice. | | |
| | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| | Provide answers to specific questions or concerns. | By phone, mail or in person as requested. | | |
| | State Agencies/Representatives | 6 | | |
| Member of NYS Assembly for District 150 (currently Andy | Provide general information on the Project, Article 10 process, and intervenor funding, and provide contact information. | Letter to be sent before submittal of PSS. | | |
| Goodell) and NYS Senator for District 57 (currently Catharine Young) | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| (currently Catharine Foung) | Provide answers to specific questions or concerns. | By phone, mail or in person as requested. | | |
| | Identify agency concerns to incorporate feedback into bird and bat study design. | Participated in a conference call with the NYSDEC to provide draft avian and bat survey work plans, and obtain agency comment/approval. | | |
| New York State Department of | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) | Determine whether all NYSDEC regulations potentially applicable to the Project have been identified. | Correspondence no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS. | | |
| | Present bird and bat studies and determine if additional studies are required. | Meeting or conference call prior to submittal of PSS. | | |
| NYSDEC Region 9 | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| New York State Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) Notifications, as required by Article 10. | | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| Empire State Development Corporation | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| NYS Attorney General | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |

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| New York State Department of | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| Health (NYSDOH) | Determine whether all NYSDOH regulations applicable to the Project have been identified. | Correspondence no later than 2 months after submittal of PSS. | | |
| NYS Department of Agriculture | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| and Markets (NYSA&M) | Determine whether all NYSA&M regulations applicable to the Project have been identified. | Correspondence no later than 2 months after submittal of PSS. | | |
| NYS Department of State | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| (NYSDOS) | Determine whether all NYSDOS regulations applicable to the Project have been identified. | Correspondence no later than 2 months after submittal of PSS. | | |
| NYS Office of General Services | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| NYS Governor's Office | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | | |
| NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation | Consultation in accordance with Section 14.09 of the New York State Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation Law and/or Section 106 of the Historic Preservation Act, as required | Meetings to develop work plans and content of cultural resources studies prior to submittal of PSS,, ongoing review of studies and mitigation recommendations | | |
| NYS Department of Public Service | Facilitate Article 10 review process | Meetings throughout process. | | |
| NYS Department of Transportation | Identify constraints associated with roads used for component transport | Prior to submittal of Article 10 Application. | | |
| New York Independent System Operator | System Impact Study | Prior to submittal of Article 10 Application. | | |
| | Federal Agencies/Representative | es | | |
| US Army Corps of Engineers | Determine jurisdiction and permits necessary under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act | Pre-application meeting anticipated as final design of Project nears completion. | | |
| US Fish and Wildlife Service | Determine potential concerns associated with the Endangered Species Act, Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act, and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act | Prior to submittal of the PSS. | | |
| US Federal Aviation Administration | No Hazard Determinations | Prior to submittal of Article 10 Application. | | |

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| US Department of Defense | Determine any concerns with government radar systems | Prior to submittal of Article 10 Application. | |
| US Senator Charles E. Schumer | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | |
| US Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | |
| US Representative Tom Reed, District 23 | Notifications, as required by Article 10. | As per schedule in regulations. | |
| Other Stakeholders | | | |
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Exhibit C

Example Meeting Log

Cassadaga Wind Project Public Involvement Program – Meeting Log

| Date of Meeting | Location of Meeting | Meeting Attendees | Purpose of Meeting | Follow-up Action Items | Comments |
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