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October 18, 2016

Honorable Robert F. Hagemann, III  
County Administrator, Jefferson County  
195 Arsenal Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Watertown, NY 13601

Re: Case 16-F-0267 - Application of Atlantic Wind LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 for Construction of a Wind Energy Project in Lewis and Jefferson Counties.

Dear Supervisor Hagemann:

Article 10 of the Public Service Law empowers the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (Siting Board) to issue Certificates of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need authorizing the construction and operation of major electric generating facilities.

The Siting Board has opened Case 16-F-0267 to track a possible future application by Atlantic Wind LLC a wholly-owned subsidiary of Avangrid Renewables, LLC for a certificate to construct and operate a 100 megawatt facility in the Towns of Pinckney, Harrisburg, Rodman, and Montague, in Lewis County and Jefferson County, New York. If the application is submitted, two ad hoc public members will be appointed to the Siting Board for the purpose of providing a local voice in the review of the project and decision on the application.

Article 10 requires you, as the County Administrator of Jefferson County, to nominate four candidates to serve as the ad hoc public members. Nominations are to be made after an applicant has filed a Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS) with the Siting Board. If the project proceeds, you will receive notice from Atlantic Wind LLC of that filing. Public Service Law §161(2) requires you to submit your nominations to the President Pro Tem of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly within fifteen days of your receipt of that notification.

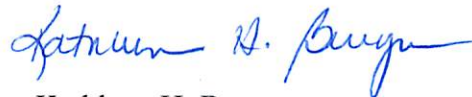
While no action is required of you at this time, you may wish to familiarize yourself with the nomination process and begin considering candidates, so that you will be prepared to act within the fifteen day time period if and when Atlantic Wind LLC files a PSS. Based on the Article 10 regulations, an applicant must wait a minimum of 150 days after filing its Public Involvement Plan before it may submit a PSS. In this case, the earliest date Atlantic Wind LLC may file a PSS is January 29, 2017.

Attached to this letter is a fact sheet about the Siting Board and the ad hoc public members that may be useful to you. You may also obtain more information about the Siting Board and Case 16-F-0267 at the following link:

<http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterCaseNo=16-F-0267&submit=Search>.

Please contact me if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,



Kathleen H. Burgess  
Secretary

Enclosure