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Baylee Cox  
Principal Clerk

Sworn to me before this 22nd day of May, 20 18.

Notary Public, Greene County, NY

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## BRIEFS

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## MAY 20

**CAIRO** — The Cairo Public Library, 15 Railroad Ave., Cairo, will show "The Post" at 1:15 p.m. May 20. Free for adults. Feel free to bring snacks. For information, call 518-622-9864.

**PRATTSVILLE** — The Gilboa FCCLA will hold a car wash 11 a.m.-3 p.m. May 20 at Jim's Great American, 14530 Main St., Prattsville. To help FCCLA members raise money to attend the FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America) National Leadership Conference in Atlanta, Georgia and summer leadership training in Oneonta.

Four Gilboa FCCLA members, Alexa Dumas, Kara Dumas, Kelli-Jo VanValkenburgh, and Samantha Lee have earned recognition for their community projects at the state conference earlier this spring and qualified to represent New York State at the National Conference this summer for competition. It is approximately \$1,500 per student to attend the National Conference and we still need to raise about \$2,000.

## MAY 23

**LEEDS** — Greene County Public Health announces the 2018 rabies clinic for Greene County cats, dogs and ferrets 6-8 p.m. May 23 at the Leeds Firehouse, Old Route 23B, Leeds. Donations are highly encouraged. This vaccination is available for all Greene County residents' cats, dogs

and ferrets. Call ahead for ferrets. If you are feeding a cat or dog, be sure it gets immunized against rabies. Bring record of pet's previous vaccination to receive a 3-year certificate. If no record is shown, pet will be given a one-year vaccination. New Baltimore Animal Hospital located in West Coxsackie will be providing the Veterinary service for all of the clinics. Call 518-719-3600 with any questions regarding rabies.

## MAY 24

**CLAVERACK** — WTEN Channel 10's Chief Meteorologist and Pet Connection host Steve Caporizzo will be hosting a live Pet Connection at the Columbia-Greene Humane Society/SPCA (CGHS/SPCA).

The live show will run from 4-8 p.m. May 24 and will televise animals from CGHS/SPCA that are looking for their forever homes. All pet adoptions will be free with approved applications during the live Pet Connection segment. The waived

adoption fees are made possible by generous contributions from Steve Caporizzo's Pet Connection and CGHS/SPCA donors. The public is welcome to visit. There will be free hot dogs, veggie dogs, giveaways and the CGHS/SPCA gift shop will be open. Any visitor who donates funds or donates food to the CGHS/SPCA Pet Food Bank at the event will receive a Pet Connection gift form Steve Caporizzo. For information, visit us on Facebook or call 518-828-6044 ext. 100.

## MAY 25

**EAST DURHAM** — The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians Div. 32 Greene County annual yard sale will be held 9 a.m.-5 p.m. May 25 and May 26, rain or shine on the grounds of Our Lady of Knock Church, 2052 Route 145, East Durham. Donations will be accepted 10 a.m.-3 p.m. May 24 only at the site. No clothing, shoes, baby furniture or child car seats.

## MAY 26

**TANNERSVILLE** — The Mountain Top Arboretum Volunteer Day and Native Shrub Planting will be held 10 a.m.-2 p.m. May 26 at the Arboretum, 4 Maude Adams Road, Tannersville. Lunch will be served 1-2 p.m. We're hosting a day to thank our volunteers and invite new participants.

Dan Snider (Catskill Regional Invasive Species Partnership) will speak on invasive shrubs and we will discuss and plant beautiful native shrub alternatives in pre-weeded and

pre-dug holes.

Stay on for a picnic lunch and tours of the almost-completed timberframe Education Center which features 21 native tree species.

Bring a trowel (optional), gloves, filled water bottle and come dressed for the weather. Co-sponsored with Schoharie Watershed Month.

Admission is free. For information, call 518-589-3903.

**TANNERSVILLE** — The Mountain Top Library, 6093 Main St., Tannersville, hosts Eco-Friendly Story Time & Craft Hour 10:30-11:30 a.m. May 26. Experience a special

environmental education series, perfect for the budding naturalist in your life.

As part of Schoharie Watershed Month, the Greene County Soil and Water conservation district is hosting this event at the Mountain Top Library in Tannersville.

**TANNERSVILLE** — The Mountain Top Library kicks off their environmental film series, with Riverwebs 4-5 p.m. May 26 at the Mountain Top Library, 6093 Main St., Tannersville. This documentary follows the life and work of Japanese ecologist Dr. Shigeru Nakano.

## Hecate Energy Greene 1 LLC, Hecate Energy Greene 2 LLC, and Hecate Energy Greene County 3 LLC, 50-Megawatt Solar Photovoltaic Generation Project, Greene County, New York

### NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF PRELIMINARY SCOPING STATEMENT

Hecate Energy Greene 1 LLC, Hecate Energy Greene 2 LLC, and Hecate Energy Greene County 3 LLC ("Hecate Greene" or "Co-Applicants") are seeking authority from the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (the "Siting Board") to construct a 50-megawatt ("MW") solar photovoltaic electric generating facility (the "Project") in the Town and Village of Coxsackie, Greene County, New York, pursuant to Article 10 of the New York State Public Service Law. Hecate Greene hereby provides notice that it will file a Preliminary Scoping Statement ("PSS") with the Siting Board on or about May 29, 2018. The PSS summarizes the proposed scope of studies that Hecate Greene will undertake, the results of which will form the basis of its Application to the Siting Board. Hecate Greene also seeks input from the public, interested agencies, and local municipalities on the scope and methodology of proposed studies to be conducted. The Project components will include solar photovoltaic panel arrays connected by underground, and possibly overhead, collection lines that will generate electricity to be delivered into Central Hudson's transmission system via interconnections with the existing Coxsackie-North Catskill 69 kilovolt transmission line. The Project is proposed to be constructed on leased and/or purchased rural private land that is agricultural in nature.

The Project will safely generate enough clean, renewable electricity to power approximately 13,000 households. The Project will also avoid emissions and other impacts associated with traditional fossil-fueled generating facilities, and further the State Energy Plan's goal of generating 50% of all electricity consumed in the State with renewable resources and reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 40% by the year 2030.

Based upon reasonably available information, the PSS will describe, amongst other topics, the environmental setting of the Project area, the potential environmental and health impacts associated with construction and operation of the Project, proposed benefits of the Project, proposed studies, security, decommissioning, and proposed measures to mitigate or minimize any potentially significant environmental impacts.

Hecate Greene anticipates that the Project will not have negative impacts on health, air, or water resources. Potential visual, wildlife, or agricultural impacts will be mitigated to the maximum extent practicable.

With the PSS, Hecate Greene will also submit \$17,500 in intervenor funding. Interested parties may apply for intervenor funding to be used to pay for expenses such as administrative, attorney, and/or consultant fees. A guide to applying for intervenor funding can be found on the New York State Department of Public Service's ("DPS") website by using the following direct link: [goo.gl/avcprS](http://goo.gl/avcprS).

Within 21 days after the PSS is filed, any person, agency, or municipality may submit comments on the PSS by serving such comments on the Co-Applicants, at the address provided below, and filing a copy with the Secretary. Comments must reference Case 17-F-0619 and may be submitted to Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary to the Siting Board, New York State Public Service Commission, Agency Building 3, Albany, NY 12223-1350 or electronically to [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov). Any interested person may also file a request with the Secretary to receive copies of all notices concerning the Project, including notices regarding any proposed pre-application stipulations. Documents filed in this proceeding may also be viewed at the DPS website located at [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov) by clicking "Search" on the homepage and then entering Case 17-F-0619 in "Search by Case Number."

Within 21 days after the closing of this comment period, the Co-Applicants will prepare a summary of the material comments and their replies thereto, and file and serve the summary in the same manner as the Co-Applicants file and serve the PSS.

Not less than 22 days after the PSS is filed, an Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") will hold a conference to, among other things, initiate the stipulation process in which Hecate Greene and other parties attempt to negotiate and agree on the studies and other issues to be addressed in the Article 10 Application. The ALJ will also issue a notice of availability of pre-application intervenor funds, which will provide a schedule and instructions on how interested parties may apply for such funds. Requests for intervenor funds are due within 30 days of issuance of the notice. A pre-application meeting will also be convened to consider funding requests no less than 45 but no more than 60 days after the filing of the PSS.

Hecate Greene will use the results of the studies it conducts to prepare the Application, which will be filed not less than 90 days after the PSS is filed. The Application will include, amongst other topics, a description of the Project, an evaluation of the environmental and health impacts and avoidance/mitigation measures, a summary of public involvement activities, a statement of why any local laws or ordinances should not be applied, electrical interconnection and system reliability studies, security and emergency plans, a statement demonstrating compliance with the most recent State Energy Plan, and other relevant information.

The Siting Board will then determine whether the Application is compliant with filing requirements. Once it is deemed compliant, the ALJ will schedule a public hearing and issue a notice that additional intervenor funds, in the amount of \$50,000, will be available for parties participating in the Application phase. The ALJ will also schedule a pre-hearing conference to identify intervenors, award intervenor funds, identify issues for the hearing, and establish a case schedule. After the hearings, intervenors may submit briefs to the ALJ who will then issue a recommended decision, upon which the Siting Board will render its decision on whether to certify the Project. State law requires that the Siting Board must render a decision on the Application within 12 months of its determination that the Application is compliant with filing requirements.

Additional information on how to participate in Siting Board matters may be obtained by contacting Hecate Greene's project representative or the Siting Board Public Information Coordinator:

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To find more information, please go to the Siting Board's website ([www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard](http://www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard)) or the Project website (<https://www.greencountysolar.info/>), or call the Project's toll-free number: 833-529-6597.

Hard copies of the PSS will also available at the following local document repositories:

- Hermant Memorial Library, 1 Ely St., Coxsackie, NY 12051
- D.R. Everts Library, 80 2nd St., Athens, NY 12015

- Village of Coxsackie Village Hall, 119 Mansion St., Coxsackie, NY 12051
- Town of Coxsackie Town Hall, 16 Reed St., Coxsackie, New York 12051