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Honorable Jaclyn A. Brillling
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New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting
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RE: Case 12-F-0410: Application of Cape Vincent Wind Power, LLC, for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Construct an Approximately 200-285 Megawatt Wind Electric Generating Facility in the Town of Cape Vincent, New York.

Dear Secretary Brillling:

On September 17, 2012, Cape Vincent Wind Power, LLC (“CVWP”), a subsidiary of BP Wind Energy North America Inc., submitted its Public Involvement Program plan (“PIP”) for review pursuant to Section 1000.4 of the rules of the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (“Siting Board”). CVWP seeks a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need under Article X of the Public Service Law to construct an approximately 200-285 megawatt wind electric generating facility in the Town of Cape Vincent, Jefferson County, New York (the “Project”).

Department of Public Service (“DPS”) professionals reviewed CVWP’s proposed PIP and, on October 17, 2012, provided CVWP a number of recommended additions to the PIP to satisfy relevant requirements in the new Article 10 regulations. CVWP hereby submits its revised PIP which addresses and incorporates all of the DPS recommendations. CVWP’s revised program provides the framework for effective dissemination of information about the Project, events, Article 10 procedure and opportunities for public participation and comment. This revised framework allows for a robust public involvement program anticipated to foster meaningful and educated participation by stakeholders and other interested parties.

CVWP looks forward to working with the Siting Board, DPS, stakeholders and other interested parties to certify a project which will further New York’s renewable energy goals as well as deliver much needed revenue to the region, local landowners, and the residents of the greater Cape Vincent community.

Respectfully submitted,

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I. INTRODUCTION

According 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 of the Public Service Law (“PSL”) must submit a Public Involvement Program plan for Department of Public Service (“DPS”) review at least 150 days prior to filing a Preliminary Scoping Statement (16 NYCRR § 1000.4). The Public Involvement Program (“PIP” or the “Plan”) 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 (16 NYCRR § 1000.4).

Cape Vincent Wind Power, LLC (“CVWP” or “Cape Vincent Wind Power”), a subsidiary of BP Wind Energy North America Inc. (“BP Wind Energy”), hereby submits its proposed Public Involvement Program plan to DPS for review. CVWP proposes to construct a wind electric generating facility in the Town of Cape Vincent, Jefferson County, New York that is approximately 200-285 megawatts (“MW”) in size (the “Project”). As discussed in greater detail in the following sections, the Project is actually the product of combining two adjacent proposed wind farms. Since 2007, BP Wind Energy has been seeking approval to construct the Cape Vincent Wind Farm (“CVWF”) under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”). Contemporaneously, Acciona Wind Energy was seeking approval, also under SEQRA, to construct the St. Lawrence Wind Farm (“SLWF”). BP Wind Energy acquired Acciona’s rights to the SLWF project in February 2012. Accordingly, for approximately five years, both CVWF and SLWF have been subject to extensive public review and participation. In fact, the SLWF completed the SEQRA process with a favorable Findings Statement issued by the Town of Cape Vincent in September 2010, while the CVWF completed a substantial portion of the SEQRA process having submitted both a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (“DEIS”) and Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (“SDEIS”).

CVWP has decided to submit an Article 10 application for a number of reasons. The Article 10 process affords CVWP a “one stop” application process as opposed to the traditional SEQRA approach which requires an applicant to deal with a panoply of state and local permitting requirements. Additionally, the Article 10 process contains a 12 month time period for review of a complete application as well as the ability to pre-empt unreasonable local laws and regulations. The Article 10 process also allows the transmission line review to be included in one permitting review.

Before Article 10 was enacted, local siting of electric generating facilities was conducted under SEQRA. Under SEQRA, local agencies or governments generally assume the role of lead agency for the purpose of evaluating the environmental compatibility a proposed generating project. Now, however, by law SEQRA does not apply to major electric generating facilities over 25 MW.

Article 10 incorporates and expands upon the SEQRA process. For example, under SEQRA, before filing a DEIS applicants go through a scoping phase. Similarly, applicants under Article 10 must prepare a preliminary scoping statement (“Preliminary Scoping Statement” or “PSS”), conduct studies and then prepare and file an application. Article 10 then provides for hearings and a recommended decision by the presiding examiner, all open for comment by stakeholders, before the Siting Board renders a decision. Article 10 also involves the same federal, state, and local agencies that participate in the SEQRA process. Unlike SEQRA, however, from the outset Article 10 requires comprehensive public outreach and involvement which continues throughout the entire process. To foster public involvement, Article 10 requires that applicants submit to DPS for comment, a Public Involvement Program plan that the applicant will follow throughout the Article 10 process. In addition, during both the Preliminary Scoping Statement phase, as well as the application phase of Article 10, the applicant is required to provide intervenor funding for use by intervenors and other parties to retain experts and legal counsel. SEQRA does not require intervenor funding and has a much more limited public involvement program. The SEQRA process also has no provision for pre-empting local or state law provisions that are deemed to be unreasonably restrictive.

As necessitated by Article 10, CVWP submits this Public Involvement Program plan to build upon extensive public outreach already conducted in the CVWF and SLWF SEQRA proceedings.

II. THE PROJECT

A. Company Information

BP is a global leader in energy. In the U.S. alone, BP has invested more than any other oil and gas company in the past five years. In fact, with more than \$52 billion in capital spending between 2007 and 2011, BP invests more in the U.S. than in any other country. The company is the nation’s second largest producer of oil and gas, a major oil refiner and a leader in alternative energy sources including wind power and biofuels.

By the end of 2012, BP’s wind energy business will have built and will be operating around \$5 billion worth of wind farms across the U.S. The company has interests in 16 wind farms in California, Colorado, Idaho, Hawaii, Indiana, Kansas, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Texas. BP Wind Energy has three wind farms in construction and in 2012 BP Wind Energy’s wind business ranks among the top three developers in U.S. By year end, the

company will have a gross generating capacity of over 2,500 MW – enough affordable, renewable electricity to power over 775,000 average American homes.

At BP Wind Energy, throughout the planning stage of each new wind farm, we conduct a thorough assessment of the potential social, environmental and conservation impacts of our projects and take steps to reduce impacts through engagement with the community, engineering, design, and technology.

B. Project Summary of the proposed Cape Vincent Wind Farm, Jefferson County, New York

Since 2005, there have been two wind projects proposed for the Cape Vincent area: Acciona's 79.5 MW St. Lawrence Wind Farm (SLWF) and BP Wind Energy's 210 MW Cape Vincent Wind Farm. Since the acquisition of the SLWF in February 2012, the Project team has worked diligently to optimize the footprint of the revised Cape Vincent Wind Farm. The combined Project, the Cape Vincent Wind Farm (CVWF), will yield a project that delivers greater economic and environmental benefits over the prior two stand-alone projects for those who live in Cape Vincent and the greater Jefferson County area. The SLWF design had consisted of 51 turbines while the original Cape Vincent Wind Farm had envisioned 84 turbines, making the total number of turbines between the two projects equal to 135 turbines. After an extensive review to optimize the layout of the combined project, CVWF has removed 11 turbines, reducing the size to 124 turbines. Many of the eliminated turbine locations had been sited close to the St. Lawrence River, an area the Town of Cape Vincent and the community indicated was sensitive. By incorporating community feedback into the latest design, the project removed the turbines closest to the St. Lawrence River and now generally maintains a setback of one mile from the St. Lawrence River.

By removing the turbines closest to the St. Lawrence River, the Project will avoid the impacts that would have been associated with these turbines. This includes potential visual, noise, wetland, and cultural impacts. A preliminary Project turbine array is attached as Exhibit 1.

The SLWF had contemplated using turbines that ranged in output from 1.5 to 3.0 MW per turbine, while the range for turbines under consideration for the CVWF was from 1.5 to 2.5 MW per turbine. The maximum blade-tip height was estimated to be approximately 430' and the rotor width (diameter) to be approximately 300' to 328'. The latest turbine options under consideration would have the maximum blade-tip height increasing to 499' and the rotor width to approximately 390'. The increased turbine height allows the Project to take advantage of improved technology while reducing the total number of turbine locations for construction.

By increasing the height of the turbines, the potential visual, noise, wetland, and cultural impacts will change. Studies are in process to determine the relative impacts associated with a taller turbine. Setbacks for the combined CVWF have been increased in some areas or have been maintained; no setbacks have been decreased. The table below provides a summary of key setbacks and illustrates how the combined Project utilizes setbacks that match or exceed previous thresholds:

Key setback distances

Setback	CVWF – Feb. 2012	SLWF – Feb. 2012	Revised CVWF – Oct. 2012
Residences	1,320' (non-participating) 1,000' (participating)	1,250' (non-participating) 750' (participating)	1,320' (all)
Non-participating lands	1,000'	1,000'	1,000'
St. Lawrence River			4,300'
Village of Cape Vincent		1,500'	1,500'
Lake Ontario			2,500'
Route 12E			1,500'
Route 6			1,000'
Roads	650'	615'	650'

CVWF is owned and will be operated 100 percent by BP Wind Energy. The Project is proposed on some 26,000 acres of private land that is primarily agricultural, with wind turbines to be sited in the Town of Cape Vincent and the associated transmission line and related equipment sited in the Towns of Cape Vincent and Lyme. The Project does not include any wind turbines in the Town of Lyme. Once built, the footprint of the wind farm would cover a small amount of the total leased acreage enabling farmers to continue with their regular farming activities and remain as stewards of their land. For purposes of this Public Involvement Program, the Preliminary Study Area for the CVWF has been identified as an area within a five mile radius of the proposed Project infrastructure and interconnection facilities. It is expected that the Preliminary Scoping Statement will further define the areas to be studied for potential impacts.

Once in operation the Cape Vincent Wind Farm will add significant renewable power generation to the New York State power system. At approximately 200-285 MW in size, the CVWF could generate enough renewable energy to power a city the size of Syracuse, helping the State of New York to meet the renewable energy goals of its Renewable Portfolio Standard of 30 percent by 2015. The CVWF is also closely aligned with the state energy plan and supportive of Governor Andrew Cuomo's Energy Highway Blueprint issued by the New York State Energy Highway Task Force. The renewable power that the CVWF will generate will avoid significant emissions of air pollutants and greenhouse gases generated by conventional power plants such as coal and gas fired plants. Wind farms can help mitigate the harmful impacts these pollutants have on human health, wildlife and the ecosystem.

C. Economic Benefits of the Cape Vincent Wind Farm

The Cape Vincent Wind Farm will generate significant additional and predictable annual revenue for landowners, residents of the greater Cape Vincent community, and Jefferson County. Development of the wind farm will mean an investment by BP Wind Energy of approximately \$300 million.

Based on a previously approved tax structure by the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency for a proposed wind farm within the County, and assuming that the

CVWF generates approximately 200 MW, the CVWF would make an annual tax payment of \$1.7 million in year one of the wind farm's operation (escalating to over \$2.4 million in year 15), benefitting the School Districts, the Town of Cape Vincent and Jefferson County. This money flows through the local communities to improve schools, roads, and other local infrastructure, and is important to help stimulate economic recovery at a time when communities have been hard hit by the recent economic downturn. This is particularly timely, as the Cape Vincent Elementary School budget, which is in the Thousand Island School District, has been struggling to the point of possible closure. Additionally, annual royalty payments to landowners participating in the Project will be in excess of \$1 million per year once the wind farm is operational. The economic benefits of the Cape Vincent Wind Farm will play a critical role in providing a sustainable community that will ensure growth and economic strength for future generations.

III. PRIOR PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

To place the Public Involvement Program plan in context, it is necessary to understand the significant amount of public participation and outreach already conducted in the SEQRA proceedings for the individual projects.¹ Since 2007 an extensive amount of outreach has been carried out in the course of developing the St. Lawrence Wind Farm and Cape Vincent Wind Farm projects. Both of these projects have been the subject of significant and extensive SEQRA review which has included the local community, members of the public, and stakeholders, all of which have been very actively engaged and have been kept well informed about wind power generally and, more specifically, about the proposed wind projects for the area. In fact, the SLWF completed the SEQRA process with a favorable Findings Statement issued by the Town of Cape Vincent Board in September 2010. A detailed chronology of the public outreach efforts that have been conducted to date is included in Exhibit 2.

IV. PROPOSED PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM

Throughout the Article 10 application process, CVWP will continue its strong track record of close community engagement and outreach. CVWP commits to take the following steps to inform, engage, and solicit additional input from statutory parties, the local community, general public, and other stakeholders:

A. Identification Of Specific Stakeholders

CVWP in consultation with its attorneys, technical consultants and community relations professionals, has developed a list of stakeholders using the following criteria (a preliminary specific list of stakeholders is attached as Exhibit 3):

¹ Prior public outreach and education will also ultimately be included in the Application as required under the Siting Board's rules. Section 1001.2 (c) requires:

(c) A brief description of the public involvement program conducted by the applicant prior to submission of the application and an identification of significant issues raised by the public and affected agencies during such program and the response of the applicant to those issues including a summary of changes made to the proposal as a result of the public involvement program.

1. The proposed Project location;
2. The point of interconnection;
3. Interested and involved agencies to the individual SEQRA proceedings that would have had permitting authority in the absence of Article 10;
4. Parties as that term is defined under Article 10;
5. Affected Agencies as that term is used in Article 10;
6. Host municipalities – the Town of Cape Vincent, the Town of Lyme, and Jefferson County, New York where turbines or transmission infrastructure will be located;
7. Adjacent municipalities within a 5 mile radius of Project infrastructure (e.g., the Town of Clayton and Wolfe Island);
8. Public interest groups (e.g., Voters for Wind, Wind Power Ethics Group, Lions Club, Chambers of Commerce, American Legion, and the Improvement League);
9. Host landowners who have a land agreement with CVWP;
10. Adjacent landowners who are within 500 feet of a collection line or 2,500 feet of a turbine; and
11. State and federal elected officials representing the host municipalities.

Additionally, CVWP has identified a potential environmental justice area that may be affected by the Project. CVWP has used the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (“DEC”) current county maps showing potential environmental justice areas. These maps were generated using the 2000 U.S. Census block groups of 250 to 500 households each to identify census block groups that had populations that met or exceeded at least one of the following thresholds:

1. At least 33.8 percent of the population in a rural area reported themselves to be members of minority groups; or
2. At least 23.59 percent of the population in an urban or rural area had household incomes below the federal poverty level.

CVWP will use the above criteria and the 2010 U.S. Census data to reflect any changes in the percentage minority populations and income threshold populations within the Census block group. For purposes of determining disproportionate impacts on environmental justice communities, the impact study area for the Project will be defined as a one-half mile radius around the location of the turbines or transmission infrastructure located within or adjacent to the portion of the Project within or near the potential environmental justice areas (the “Impact Study Area”). The “adjacent communities” will be defined by the next one-half mile radius around the Impact Study Area.

Based on the 2000 Census Data, CVWP has identified the presence of a potential environmental justice area in the northeast corner of the Town of Cape Vincent. This environmental justice community is depicted on the attached map in Exhibit 4. The northeastern portion of the Project containing approximately 11 turbines, is located within the census block group that overlays this area. The area associated with these turbines is defined as rural. Ninety-three percent of the population in this census block group has an annual income that is less than the poverty threshold and 45 percent of the population is defined as a 'Minority population' as identified or recognized by the U.S. Census Bureau as Hispanic, African-American or Black, Asian and Pacific Islander, or American Indian. This population includes a prison population which contributes to the minority designation of the potential environmental justice area but not the poverty designation. The Project is not anticipated to have a potentially significant adverse environmental impact resulting from its construction and/or operation that is different in type, scope, or magnitude compared to the population located in the broader geographic area surrounding the proposed wind farm.

While the Project is not anticipated to have a potentially significant adverse environmental impact resulting from its construction and/or operation that is different in type, scope, or magnitude compared to the population located in the broader geographic area surrounding the proposed wind farm, CVWP plans to implement the following targeted outreach measures to address the potential environmental justice area:

- Working with DEC, CVWP will identify stakeholders located in the Impact Study Area, including residents, local elected officials such as the Town Supervisor, and community-based organizations. Cape Vincent Wind Power will confer with DEC and community leaders initially to identify the specific methods of communication that would be most successful for the stakeholders within the environmental justice area. For instance, CVWP will work with community leaders to determine if additional public meetings, located within the environmental justice area are needed to solicit input from stakeholders in the community and to provide an opportunity to engage in a dialogue with members of the Project team. Alternatively, CVWP will also consider if it may be necessary to provide transportation to and from scheduled events in Cape Vincent to accommodate participation of the community located within the environmental justice area. Following discussions with the local community leaders, other communications mechanisms may be identified and considered for implementation by CVWP.
- Cape Vincent Wind Power will also assemble a primary contact list of individuals and organizations with a direct stake in the environmental justice community. This may include reaching out to:
 - residents/neighborhood groups who are near or adjacent to the proposed Project;
 - community boards, community leaders, local community, civic and recreational organizations, environmental and business groups;
 - people who have expressed an interest in the proposed Project by attending public meetings, writing or calling;
 - people who have expressed an interest in similar projects or in projects affecting the same neighborhood or community;
 - neighborhood religious establishments; and
 - elected officials who live in and/or represent the community of concern.
- Establish easily accessible document repositories in or near the potential environmental justice area to make available paper copies of pertinent Project

information, including but not limited to: application material, studies, reports, meeting presentation materials and media releases. CVWP will also establish a repository for such materials on the project website <http://www.capevincentwindfarm.com>.

B. Language Access

All newsletters, fact sheets, advertisements, websites and other informational materials will be provided in English as that is the language spoken very well by over 97 percent of the population of the Town of Cape Vincent, Town of Lyme and Jefferson County. There is no language other than English spoken by 5,000 or more persons in any 5 digit zip code postal zone in which any portion of the CVWF study area is located. Additionally, there is no language other than English spoken by a significant population of persons residing in close proximity to the CVWF.²

C. Identification of Goals & Methods for Specific Stakeholder Consultations

(1) Consultation Plan and Goals

The Public Involvement Program plan will include consultation with affected agencies and other stakeholders. The chart below will be used to track consultations with affected agencies or stakeholders, the initial schedule for outreach, the goal of such consultations, the identification of the environmental setting that may be affected and any potentially significant adverse environmental and health impact involved.³ The method of outreach for each affected agency or stakeholder will include phone calls, and where necessary letters. In addition, the outreach will involve face to face meetings, as well as invitations to Open House Events and Workshops. The outreach will be conducted by Richard Chandler, BP Wind Energy North America, 700 Louisiana Street, Floor 33, Houston, TX 77002, phone: (713) 354-2100, info@capevincentwindfarm.com. Cape Vincent Wind Power will use the DPS methodology (included in Attachment 3 to the DPS comments on the initial PIP submission) for tracking successful consultation or outreach, and consultation will be deemed successful if information relevant to the affected agency or stakeholder was provided to the affected agency or stakeholder, information was gathered to help advance the PIP process and preparation of the application, and follow up meetings or consultations were either scheduled or will be scheduled if deemed necessary.

² According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 97% of the population of the Town of Cape Vincent speaks English very well, 98.2% of the Town of Lyme speaks English very well and 98.2% of the Jefferson County population speaks English very well. Further, only 311 people in the Town of Cape Vincent speak a language other than English and over 70% of these individuals are estimated to speak English very well.

³ As part of its consultation with municipalities, agencies and/or authorities, CVWP will be informed by and comply with the Siting Board's regulations to the extent applicable.

Affected Agency or Stakeholder	Outreach ⁴ Schedule	Environmental Setting That May Be Affected	Potentially Significant Adverse Environmental and Health Impacts	Goals ⁵
Town of Cape Vincent (Town Board and Planning Board)	October 23, 2012 Fourth Quarter 2012 First Quarter 2013	Noise Visual Economic Impacts Wildlife Public Health	Elevated noise Shadow flicker Decreased property values Loss of wildlife and habitat	Disseminate information, gather information to assist in the PIP process, PSS document and Article 10 application as well as schedule follow up meetings. Identification of specific issues and solicit input. Adequacy of studies completed to date and need for additional studies. Review local laws and ordinances that the Siting Board could elect not to apply. ⁶

⁴ It is expected that outreach and consultation will continue throughout the Article 10 process and that additional outreach – including all appropriate notifications under Article 10 will occur as necessary in addition to the meetings listed under this column.

⁵ For each affected agency or stakeholder the goal will also include the dissemination of information, gathering information to assist in the PIP process, PSS document and Article 10 application as well as scheduling follow up meetings as necessary.

⁶ It is also expected that CVWP will consult with the Town of Cape Vincent regarding any estimated incremental municipal or utility operating and infrastructure costs that will be incurred for police, fire, emergency, water, sewer, solid waste disposal, highway maintenance and other municipal or utility services during the construction and operation of the CVWF.

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Village of Cape Vincent	Fourth Quarter 2012 First Quarter 2013	Noise Visual Property Values Wildlife Public Health	Elevated noise Shadow flicker	Disseminate information, gather information to assist in the PIP process, PSS document and Article 10 application as well as schedule follow up meetings. Identification of specific issues. Adequacy of studies completed to date and need for additional studies.
Town of Lyme	October 23, 2012 Fourth Quarter 2012 First Quarter 2013	Noise Visual Property Values Wildlife Public Health	Elevated noise Shadow flicker	Disseminate information, gather information to assist in the PIP process, PSS document and Article 10 application as well as schedule follow up meetings. Identification of specific issues and solicit input. Adequacy of

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				<p>studies completed to date and need for additional studies. Review local laws and ordinances that the Siting Board could elect not to apply.</p>
Jefferson County	First Quarter 2013	Roads Public Safety	Deterioration of Roads Increased traffic delays	<p>Disseminate information, gather information to assist in the PIP process, PSS document and Article 10 application as well as schedule follow up meetings. Identification of specific issues. Adequacy of studies completed to date and need for additional studies.</p>
NYS Dept. of Ag & Markets	First Quarter 2013	Agricultural Lands Agricultural Districts	Loss of Farmable Land Erosion of Topsoil Alteration of drainage	Identification of specific concerns and agreement on avoidance, minimization

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				and/or mitigation methods.
NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation	November 2012	Surface Waters Ground Water Wetlands Birds/Bats State Listed Species, Invasive Species Environmental Justice Communities Decommissioning	Soil erosion and sedimentation Loss of use of ground water through contamination or blockage Loss of wetlands, Loss of breeding habitat, Bird and bat mortality due to collision Loss of habitat for state listed species Introduction of invasive species Cumulative impacts	Identification of specific issues, adequacy of studies completed to date and need for additional studies, agreement on avoidance, minimization and/or mitigation measures.
NYS Dept. of State	November 2012	Coastal Zones Significant Coastal fish and wildlife habitats Public access to coastal zone Coastal revitalization Highway infrastructure	Non-conformance with coastal policies Deterioration of coastal fish and wildlife habitats Variance with local waterfront revitalization program Deterioration of highway infrastructure Impeded public access to coastal zone	Identification of specific issues and agreement on avoidance.
NYS Office of	September	Archeological	Impacts to resources	Identification

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Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation	and November 2012	Resources Historic Architecture	potentially eligible for the National Register Impacts to rural landscape	of specific issues, adequacy of studies completed to date and need for additional studies, agreement on avoidance, minimization and/or mitigation measures.
NYS Dept. of Public Service	September, October and November 2012	Overall Article 10 Process, Public Involvement Plan	(Administrative) Completeness of submittals Ensure public is engaged	General Project description, identification of specific project issues.
NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency	First Quarter 2013	Public Safety	Adequacy of risk reduction and response to disasters and emergencies	Identification of specific issues, adequacy of emergency preparedness plans
NYS Dept. of Transportation	First Quarter 2013	State Roads	Deterioration of roads, increased traffic delays, improvement and load permits	Identification of specific issues and permit requirements
NYS Dept. of Health	First Quarter 2013	Public Health and Safety	Elevated noise levels Shadow flicker General impacts to health and safety	Identification of specific issues, adequacy of studies completed to date and need for additional studies

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Empire State Development	First Quarter 2013	Economic Development Empire Zones	NA	General Project description, identification of specific project issues.
NYS Office of General Services	First Quarter 2013	NYS State owned Underwater Lands (Chaumont River)	Not Applicable	Jurisdiction of OGS, permit requirements.
Senator Pattie Richie	First Quarter 2013	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	General Project description, identification of specific project issues.
Assemblywoman Addie Russell	First Quarter 2013	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	General Project description, identification of specific project issues.
Dept. of Defense Clearinghouse for Energy Development	First Quarter 2013	Military Aviation, Telecommunications	Interference with telecommunications	Identification of Potential Hazards
Federal Aviation Administration	First Quarter 2013	Aviation Airports	Flight Obstruction	Confirm process for Determination of No Hazard
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	First Quarter 2013	Waters of the United States, including wetlands	Permanent fill of waters of the United States, including wetlands	Identification of specific issues, methods for additional studies, agreement on avoidance, minimization and /or mitigation measures, permit

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				requirements.
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service	First Quarter 2013	Breeding and Migratory Birds Bats Federally Listed Species Wetlands	Loss of breeding habitat Bird and bat mortality due to collision Loss of habitat for federal listed species Cumulative impacts	Identification of specific issues, methods for additional studies, agreement on avoidance, minimization, and /or mitigation measures, permit requirements.
Onondaga Nation	November 2012	Historic properties of religious and cultural significance	Disturbance of sacred properties	Identification of specific issues, methods for additional studies, agreement on avoidance, minimization and mitigation measures.
NYISO and National Grid	December 2012	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Identification of specific issues and adequacy of prior studies. Identify schedule for negotiating a large generator interconnection agreement.
Local Cape Vincent and Lyme Community	First Quarter 2013	Noise Visual Economic Impacts	Elevated noise Shadow flicker Decreased property	Disseminate information, gather

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Groups		Wildlife Public Health	values Loss of wildlife and habitat	information to assist in the PIP process, PSS document and Article 10 application as well as schedule follow up meetings. Identification of specific issues. Adequacy of studies completed to date and need for additional studies.
Thousand Island Central School District and Lyme Central School District	First Quarter 2013	Incremental impact on School Districts as a result of the operation of the CVWF	None – Project may have a potential significant beneficial impact on the School Districts	Disseminate information, gather information to assist in the PIP process, PSS document and Article 10 application as well as schedule follow up meetings.
Local Emergency Response Organizations	First Quarter 2013	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	To inform CVWP's analysis of whether all contingency plans to be implemented in

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				response to the occurrence of an emergency can be fulfilled by existing local emergency response capacity, and in that regard identifying any specific equipment or training deficiencies in local emergency response capacity.

D. Tracking of Public Involvement Program

Cape Vincent Wind Power will prepare a monthly spreadsheet-style tracking report identifying PIP activities conducted by CVWP for the preceding time period, providing summaries of feedback received in such activities and summaries describing any actions taken by CVWP in response to given feedback. Cape Vincent Wind Power will design the report in a manner that it is easy to track CVWP's progress towards achieving its public involvement goals. The reports will be posted on CVWP's website and filed with the Secretary for posting in the case file. The reports will follow the format below:

Public Involvement Program Activity	Information Provided at PIP Activity	Summary of Feedback Received	Summary of Actions Taken in Response to Feedback
October 23, 2012: Meeting with Cape Vincent Town Board and Planning Board, and Town of Lyme Board.	Described the Project and location of proposed turbine locations; Described Article 10 of PSL; Described	Representatives of the Towns made comments and/or asked questions about the proposed project, past history of the development process, current	Applicant will continue to engage with Towns to solicit constructive feedback and schedule follow up meetings or consultations as deemed necessary. Invitations were provided to Town representatives to attend the November 10, 2012 Open

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	<p>additional outreach activities, including upcoming Open House on November 10, 2012, Project website, fact sheets, newsletter, etc.;</p> <p>Explained why the CVWF is pursuing the Article 10 process;</p> <p>Explained the PIP and the importance of public outreach;</p> <p>Explained how the Towns can participate in each step of the Article 10 process;</p> <p>Described Intervenor Funding;</p> <p>Described the goals of the outreach;</p> <p>Provided website information so Town and community can gain additional information about the project and Article 10 process;</p> <p>Highlighted the potential Environmental Justice area in the northeast portion of the Project;</p> <p>Solicited input and questions from the local elected officials of Cape Vincent and Lyme.</p>	<p>zoning laws, and the Article 10 process.</p>	<p>House event.</p> <p>The Project website (www.capevincentwindfarm.com) was provided, which contains a downloadable copy of the project map, fact sheets, newsletters, information on future public involvement program activities, as well as additional Project-related information.</p>
November 10, 2012: Open House. Cape	Described the Project and location of the	Public comment forms were available and	CVWP will continue to engage with community to solicit constructive feedback and

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Vincent Recreation Park	<p>proposed turbine locations;</p> <p>Described the Article 10 process and why the CVWF is pursuing the Article 10 process;</p> <p>Explained the PIP and the importance of public outreach;</p> <p>Described Intervenor Funding;</p> <p>Described additional outreach activities;</p> <p>Described the goals of the outreach;</p> <p>Provided information on how they can obtain additional information;</p> <p>Provided website information and links to obtain more information about the Article 10 process;</p> <p>Solicited input and questions from residents and local elected officials of Cape Vincent and Lyme;</p> <p>Solicited written input and questions from the public. The Town Supervisor of Eagle was in attendance and described to the attendees his first-hand experience with a wind farm in the Town of Eagle in operation since 2008.</p> <p>Informational</p>	<p>attendees were encouraged to use them, go to the CVWF website to make comments about the event, and share feedback with team members present at the event. Comments and/or feedback that was received included a desire to learn more about the Article 10 process and intervenor funds and further understanding the proposed layout.</p>	<p>schedule follow up events as deemed necessary.</p> <p>The informational boards from the event and project fact sheets will be made available on the project webpage.</p> <p>Several questions during the Open House were raised regarding Article 10 and the intervenor funding process.</p> <p>In response, an Article 10 workshop will be convened in Cape Vincent in December 2012 and a follow up intervenor funding workshop will be held in January 2013.</p>

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	boards and stations were available with representatives of the CVWP team to assist with providing information and answering questions. The stations were as follows: About BP; Article 10; Project site map; Economic Benefits; BP Safety Measures; Sound; How Wind Turbines Work; Turbine Transportation; Transmission. Project fact sheets were provided, including: About BP, Article 10, Intervenor Funds for Municipal and Local Parties, Economic Benefits, and Project Overview.		

E. Website

The web address <http://www.capevincentwindfarm.com> has been created for the Cape Vincent Wind Farm that:

- (i) is written in plain English;
- (ii) is easily navigated using a navigation bar with drop down menus and using a “breadcrumbs” feature that easily allows the web user to navigate to where they choose, identify their location on the website, and identify how to get back to previous pages. The website also includes a site map and a search feature for alternate means of navigation;
- (iii) contains contact information for CVWP including an e-mail address, a telephone number and a mailing address provided on a separate “Contact” page easily navigated to from the home page;
- (iv) provides web users with an e-mail link to submit comments to CVWP and an opportunity to be added to CVWP’s mailing list;

- (v) will provide access to the Preliminary Scoping Statement and the Application when these documents are filed;
- (vi) links to the DPS Article 10 Public Information Coordinator, the Siting Board home page; and case-specific documents from a separate “Links” page that can be assessed from the drop down menu on the Public Involvement Program page;
- (vii) contains information on the Article 10 process in three places: briefly on the home page; on a separate Article 10 Process page that can be accessed from a drop down menu on the Public Involvement Program page; and in a fact sheet that can be accessed from a drop down menu on the Public Involvement Program page; and
- (viii) contains an explanation of the Intervenor Funding process, including the specific dollar amounts of funding that will be available for each phase of the project, in two places on the website: on the Public Involvement Program page and in a fact sheet that can be accessed from a drop down menu on the Public Involvement Program page.

The following Project-specific information will be included on the website:

- Project filings with the DPS
- Project Contact Information
- Project Map
- Project Fact Sheets
- Project Newsletters
- Project Information Prepared for Public Open House Events
- Project Milestones
- Project Schedule of Events
- Alternate facility locations and interconnections

A schedule that lists dates, times, and locations for public outreach events is located in two places on the website: the home page and on a separate Schedule of Events page that can be accessed from a drop down menu on the Public Involvement Program page. A list of key milestone dates, such as date when the application will be filed, is also available on the Schedule of Events page that can be accessed from a drop down menu on the Public Involvement Program page.

The website will be updated as follows:

Content	Timing of Update
Notice of required filing with the DPS	Three days prior to filing
Documents filed with DPS	Within 24 hours of date document is posted by DPS
Schedule of outreach events (including open	No less than 7 days prior to

houses, community outreach meetings, and Article 10/Intervenor funding workshops)	each event
Materials presented at outreach events	Within 7 days of scheduled event
Public meetings	No less than 7 days prior to each meeting
Public Involvement Tracking Report	Monthly
Newsletters	Within 7 days of publication
Fact Sheets	Within 7 days of publication

Notice of future outreach events will be posted a minimum of 7 days in advance of the event.

F. Public Consultations And Outreach

Outreach materials to be used for the various events associated with public consultation and outreach will include fact sheets on the following topics:

- CVWF Project Overview Fact Sheet
- Economic Benefits Fact Sheet
- Article 10 Fact Sheet
- Intervenor Funding Fact Sheet
- Health and Safety Fact Sheet
- Environment/Wildlife Fact Sheet

Additionally, educational boards will be utilized to cover the following topics:

- Company information
- Project site map
- Turbine transportation
- Project schedule
- Transmission
- BP Wind Energy safety message
- Sound
- How wind turbines work

The CVWP team will also use Newsletters and Advertisements to disseminate information on the Project, the Article 10 process and to encourage participation in the Article 10 process. Public comment sheets will be available at all public events and the CVWP office. Public comments may also be provided on the CVWF website. Paper copies of pertinent Project information, including but not limited to: application material, studies, reports, meeting presentation materials and media releases will be established at or near the potential environmental justice area and CVWP will also establish a repository for such materials on the Project website <http://www.capevincentwindfarm.com>.

- (i) The chart below details activities that are intended to encourage public participation by stakeholders and the public in the certification and compliance process of Article 10. Outreach activities will be tracked to determine whether the outreach is disseminating useful information on the Project, the Article 10 process and participation by the public and stakeholders in the process.

Outreach Activities	How we will encourage public participation	Goals
CVWF Office	This will be used as home base for the CVWF. All project information such as fact sheets, informational boards, and maps of the project will be available at the office. All interested parties are welcome to visit the office during office hours to view project information or submit comments or questions to the CVWF project team. Outreach meetings will be offered at the office periodically.	Open door for communication and to develop a good neighbor presence in the community. The office is a place where the public can ask questions, leave comments or gain information on status of the CVWF Project.
Open House Meetings	Placement of paid advertisements in the local media. Request that media outlets report on the Open House meetings ahead of the event, to attend the event and have an opportunity for one-on-one interviews with CVWF personnel. Engage with members of the stakeholder list to attend, post event materials on the CVWF dedicated website for those unable to attend and	Provide information to the public and CVWF stakeholders on the Project's benefits; potential impacts; Project layout; transmission line; turbine technology including sound and visual impact; Project schedule; and company information about BP Wind Energy.

Outreach Activities	How we will encourage public participation	Goals
	<p>display event materials at the at the CVWF office after the event.</p> <p>Solicit public comment using feedback forms at the event. Responses to commonly asked questions from the events will be posted on the website under “Frequently Asked Questions”.</p>	
<p>Article 10/Intervenor Funding Workshop Sessions</p>	<p>Placement of paid advertisements in the local media outlets in advance of the workshop. Request media outlets to write an article about the workshop. Send notices to the stakeholder list to raise awareness of the event. For those unable to attend a summary of the event and poster boards from the event will be posted on the CVWF website and available at the CVWF office.</p> <p>Soliciting public comments using forms at the event. Responses to commonly asked questions from the events will be posted on the website under “Frequently Asked Questions”.</p>	<p>Provide information to CVWF stakeholders and interested parties about the Article 10 process and the availability and process for accessing Intervenor Funds for qualifying recipients to hire experts and legal counsel to assist in pre-application activities and application review.</p>
<p>Community outreach meetings</p>	<p>Regularly scheduled meetings will be convened to</p>	<p>Distribution of materials and education about the project and the Article 10 process in a timely and</p>

Outreach Activities	How we will encourage public participation	Goals
	encourage one-on-one dialogue between the CVWP Team, the community and stakeholders. If stakeholders miss one of the public meetings, this provides additional opportunities for interacting directly with the CVWP team during the Article 10 process.	convenient manner. This will help to build public knowledge and trust about the CVWF permitting process, and answer concerns and questions on a personal level with stakeholders most directly impacted by the project.

- (ii) The chart below shows the current program for public consultation and outreach, including the general outreach activity scheduled to take place prior to submittal of the application, how information will be disseminated, educational material relating to the project, educational material relating to Article 10, and educational material on intervenor funding. With respect to each activity below, it is expected that the public and stakeholders will be offered an opportunity to provide input on the Article 10 process and the Project as well as items of interest not specifically identified in Article 10 either through oral statements, filling out comment cards, posting comments to the website, posting comments to the DPS website or via written submission to CVWP or DPS. It is also expected that these types of outreach activities will continue beyond the pre-application phase and will continue through the application process, and should a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need be granted, during the pre-construction and construction phase of the Project.

Outreach activities for the CVWF and Article 10 Process	How information on the activity will be disseminated to the public.	When/Where	How Stakeholders will receive the information	Other information provided.
CVWF Office	Office hours, address and phone number are posted on the CVWF website and included in newsletters.	Every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	The hours will be posted on all newsletters.	Project fact sheets Project map Article 10 fact sheets Intervenor funding fact sheets Issues fact

Outreach activities for the CVWF and Article 10 Process	How information on the activity will be disseminated to the public.	When/Where	How Stakeholders will receive the information	Other information provided.
				sheets as they become available Educational boards Information provided by state agencies Studies and recent information about wind power technology.
Open House Events	Place advertisements in local newspapers. Place information on community calendar. Posted at the BP Wind Energy office. Posted on the CVWF website.	Cape Vincent Recreational Park. November 10, 2012 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. Additional Open House Events per the Art 10 process to be announced	Letter Email Phone call	Project fact sheets Project map Article 10 fact sheets Intervenor funding fact sheets Educational boards
Local Community Groups meetings (e.g., Lion's Club, Fire Departments, Chambers of Commerce, American Legion, Improvement League, etc.)	Posted on CVWF website. P advertisements in local newspapers. Place information on community calendar. Posted at the BP Wind Energy office.	Periodically at the BP Wind Energy office as wells community group space.	Phone call Letter Email	Project fact sheets Project map Article 10 fact sheet Intervenor Funding Fact Sheets Educational boards

Outreach for the CVWF and the Article 10 Process:	How information on the activity is disseminated to the public.	When/Where	How Stakeholders will receive the information.	Other information provided.
Workshop 1: Article 10 Overview	Place advertisements in local newspapers. Place information on community calendar. Posted on the CVWF website.	December 2012 Cape Vincent, NY	Letter Email	Article 10 fact sheet Project fact sheets Intervenor Funding fact sheet Educational boards
Workshop 2: On Intervenor Funding and Next steps	Place advertisements in local newspapers. Place information on community calendar. Posted on the CVWF website.	January 2013 Cape Vincent, NY	Letter Email	Article 10 fact sheet Project fact sheets Intervenor Funding fact sheet Educational boards
Workshop 3: PSS Process	Place advertisements in local newspapers. Place information on community calendar. Posted on the CVWF website.	First Quarter 2013 Cape Vincent, NY	Letter Email	Project fact sheets Article 10 fact sheet Intervenor Funding Fact Sheets
Workshop 4: Application Process (Additional intervenor funding, public hearing process, updates on process and next steps)	Place advertisements in local newspapers. Place information on community calendar. Posted on the CVWF website.	Within one month of Application submittal, Cape Vincent, NY	Letter Email	Article 10 fact sheet Intervenor Funding Fact Sheets Project fact sheets
Workshop 5: Pre-Construction Workshop	Place advertisements in local newspapers. Place information on community calendar. Posted on the CVWF website.	To be determined - sometime during Recommended Decision Phase, Cape Vincent, NY	Letter Email	
Workshop 6: Post-Construction Workshop	Place advertisements in local newspapers. Place information on community calendar. Posted on the CVWF website.	To be determined, Cape Vincent, NY	Letter Email	

G. Notifications

CVWP intends to comply with Article 10 and the implementing regulations under Article 10, with respect to the specific requirements relating to notices as more fully detailed in Exhibit 5 attached. In addition to the those entities required by Article 10 to receive notices, BP will also notice those stakeholders listed on Exhibit 3 of significant project milestones such as the filing of the Preliminary Scoping Statement and the filing of the Application within 7 days. These significant project milestones, and any Public Hearings will be noticed by:

- 1) E-mail list serves;
- 2) Letters;
- 3) Public Notices in the following publications (which include the official publications of the Town of Lyme and the Town of Cape Vincent);
 - a. Watertown Daily Times (notices may also be included in the Watertown Daily Times weekly PennySaver);
 - b. The Thousand Island Sun;
 - c. Fox News Watertown Online Event Calendar; and
 - d. YNN News Online Event Calendar.
- 4) Contacting the following media outlets and providing the email, letter, ad/notice content referenced above:
 - a. Fox News Watertown; and
 - b. North Country Public Radio
- 5) Website updates.

Workshops, Open Houses, as well as regular updates to all stakeholders will be noticed by:

- 1) E-mail list serves;
- 2) Letters;
- 3) Ads in the following publications (which include the official publications of the Town of Lyme and the Town of Cape Vincent);
 - a. Watertown Daily Times (notices may also be included in the Watertown Daily Times weekly PennySaver);
 - b. The Thousand Island Sun;
 - c. Fox News Watertown Online Event Calendar; and
 - d. YNN News Online Event Calendar.
- 4) Contacting the following media outlets and providing the email, letter, ad/notice content referenced above:
 - a. Fox News Watertown; and
 - b. North Country Public Radio
- 5) Website updates.

Forms of letters, advertisements, public comment sheets, and newsletters are included in Exhibits 6 and 7. All newsletters, fact sheets, advertisements, websites and other informational materials will be provided in English as that is the language spoken very well

by over 97 percent of the population of the Town of Cape Vincent, Town of Lyme and Jefferson County as more particularly detailed in Section B above.

H. Airports

Regarding potential air transportation impacts, CVWP representative Richard Chandler (contact information provided previously) will coordinate with the Federal Aviation Administration, the Department of Defense, and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration to identify any public airports or public heliports near the location of the Project, or potential hazards associated with radio signal interference and air traffic control. This outreach will occur during the first quarter of 2013. To the extent this interaction results in the identification of a public airport or public heliport that may be affected by the proposed Project, CVWP will attempt to engage with the operator of the public airport or public heliport prior to submitting the PSS. This outreach to the operator of the public airport or public heliport, if necessary, will include phone calls, letters, and/or emails to the operator and, where necessary, a meeting to provide Project specific information in relation to the existing public airport or public heliport as well as general information relating to Article 10. This Project specific information will include: a detailed map showing the general project area, project boundaries, and dimensions and coordinates of each wind turbine; a description of the Project construction and operational phases; and a request for review of and comment on such Project construction and operational phases. In addition, outreach to the Department of Defense will include an initial screening with a follow-up review of the proposed Project, if required.

I. DPS Recommendations

On October 17, 2012, DPS responded to the CVWP original PIP submission with a letter that included specific recommendations. Included as Exhibit 8 is a table listing by rows each separate DPS recommendation in one column. In a second column CVWP has included a reference to the section of the PIP containing a revision or revisions intended to incorporate the relevant DPS recommendation.