NEW YORK STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC GENERATION SITING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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 the Deer River Wind Energy Project in Lewis and Jefferson Counties.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PRE-APPLICATION INTERVENOR FUNDS AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING FUNDING REQUESTS

(Issued May 19, 2017)

Any person interested in filing an application to construct a major electric generating facility in New York must first file a Preliminary Scoping Statement with the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (the Siting Board). On May 15, 2017, Atlantic Wind LLC (Atlantic Wind), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Avangrid Renewables, LLC, filed a Preliminary Scoping Statement in connection with its proposal to construct the Deer River Wind Farm, a major wind energy generating facility (the Deer River Energy Project). The proposed Deer River Energy Project would be located on leased private land and easements located in the Towns of Pinckney, Harrisburg, and Montague, in Lewis County, New York, and the Town of Rodman, in Jefferson County, New York. Construction of the project would consist of up to 40 wind turbines, with a maximum generating capacity of 100 megawatts (MWs), together with associated overhead and below grade collection lines, access roads, meteorological towers, an operation and maintenance building, and a collection substation.

To deliver power to the New York State power grid, Atlantic proposes to construct the collection substation adjacent to an existing interconnection switching station, which will interconnect with National Grid's 115 kilovolt (kV) transmission line in the Town of Rodman.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that funds are available to eligible municipal and local parties to participate in this proceeding. With its Preliminary Scoping Statement, Atlantic Wind submitted the required intervenor fee of \$35,000.00 to be used to defray legal, consulting witness, and administrative costs for the pre-application scoping phase of this proceeding. At least 50% of the funds must be reserved for potential awards to municipalities.

Eligible municipal and local parties intending to request intervener funding must use the "RFIF Form" available on the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment's (Siting Board) web page at <u>http://www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard</u> (please follow the "Forms" link on the left side of the page). Requests for funds should be submitted to the Examiners, Administrative Law Judge James Costello of the Department of Public Service (<u>James.Costello@dps.ny.gov</u>) and Administrative Law Judge Lisa A. Wilkinson of the Department of Environmental Conservation (<u>Lisa.Wilkinson@dec.ny.gov</u>) by close of business on June 16, 2017 (<u>i.e.</u>, 30 days after the issuance date of this notice).

Copies of requests also must be filed with Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary of Siting Board, at <u>secretary@dps.ny.gov</u> by 4:30 p.m. on the due date. Persons without e-mail access may send their documents to the Examiners and Secretary Burgess by first class mail at the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223, such that the requests are received by the due date.

Copies of requests also must be served on the other persons identified on the party list for this proceeding, by

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email or first class mail. (The party list can be accessed at the Siting Board's web page, by following the "Projects Under Review" link on the left side of the page, then clicking the "Preliminary Scoping Statement Submittals" link in the center area of the page, then follow the date link for this case, Atlantic Wind, then click the "Party List" tab.)

Guidance regarding the Article 10 siting process and intervenor funds is available at the Siting Board's web page, listed above. To access Frequently Asked Questions, please click the FAQ link on the left side of the page; to access a Guide to Intervenor Funding, please follow the "Guides" link on the left side of the page.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS Secretary