

NEW YORK STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC
GENERATION SITING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

CASE 15-F-0122 - Application of Baron Winds LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 to Construct a Wind Energy Facility.

NOTICE OF FILING OF A PRELIMINARY SCOPING STATEMENT
AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS

(Issued August 15, 2016)

Baron Winds LLC, a subsidiary of EverPower Wind Holdings, Inc. (Baron), intends to apply for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (an Article 10 Certificate), pursuant to Article 10 of the Public Service Law, for construction of a major electric generating facility. Baron plans to construct a commercial-scale 300 MW wind power project located within the Towns of Avoca, Cohocton, Dansville, Fremont, Howard, and Wayland, in Steuben County. Construction would consist of up to 120 wind turbines, together with the associated collection lines (below grade and overhead), access roads, meteorological towers, and an operation and maintenance building. To deliver power to the New York State power grid, Baron proposes to construct a collection substation adjacent to an existing interconnection substation, which will interconnect with the New York State Electric and Gas (NYSEG) 230 kV transmission line in the Town of Cohocton (the Project).

Baron states that the Project is proposed to be located on leased private land that is generally rural in nature. The actual footprint of the proposed facilities, Baron asserts, is not determined at this point in the process, but will be located within the leased land, and will enable farmers and landowners to continue with farming operations or other land uses such as forestry practices and recreational land use.

TAKE NOTICE that, on August 10, 2016, Baron filed a Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS) in connection with its proposal. The preliminary scoping phase of this proceeding will determine the nature and scope of the studies Baron must undertake to develop the information that must be included in its formal application for an Article 10 Certificate. In general, such studies will identify and evaluate the potential impacts of a project on the environment, public health, and other public interest factors.

Any person, agency or municipality may submit comments on the PSS by filing with the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (Siting Board) and serving such comments on Baron, as described below. Under the Siting Board's regulations, comments must be filed within 21 days after the filing of the PSS. 16 NYCRR 1000.5(g). **All comments on the PSS must be received by no later than the close of business on Wednesday, August 31, 2016.**

Baron is required to summarize and reply to all comments filed on the PSS within 21 days of the close of the comment period. 16 NYCRR 1000.5(g). **Baron's summary and reply to comments must be filed by the close of business Wednesday, September 21, 2016.**

Comments may be filed electronically by visiting the Department of Public Service website at www.dps.ny.gov. Use the "Search by Case Number" function by entering Case 15-F-0122. Click on the "Post Comments" button in the upper part of the screen. Fill in the form to post your comments. The comment must also be copied and served as indicated below.

Alternatively, comments may be filed via e-mail to Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary of the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment, at secretary@dps.ny.gov, or by mail or delivery to Secretary

Burgess at New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. Comments must refer to "Case 15-F-0122 - Application of Baron Winds."

All comments must be served on Baron's designated representative, Mr. Kevin Sheen, Baron Winds, LLC, Senior Director, Development, 1251 Waterfront Place (3rd Floor), Pittsburgh, PA 15222; E-mail: ksheen@everpower.com.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS
Secretary