

NEW YORK STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC
GENERATION SITING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

CASE 15-F-0377 - Application of Bull Run Energy LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 to Construct a Wind Energy Project.

NOTICE OF PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE
TO CONSIDER INTERVENOR FUNDING REQUESTS
AND TO INITIATE THE STIPULATIONS PROCESS

(Issued August 12, 2016)

Bull Run Energy LLC (Bull Run), an affiliate of Invenergy Wind North America LLC, intends to file an application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need, pursuant to Article 10 of the Public Service Law, for construction of a major electric generating facility (an Article 10 Certificate). Bull Run plans to construct a wind energy facility in the Towns of Clinton, Ellenburg, Altona, and Mooers, in Clinton County, New York. The Project location borders the Adirondack Park to the south and the Canadian border to the north. Construction would consist of up to 150 wind turbines, together with associated underground and overhead collection lines, access roads, permanent meteorological towers, laydown areas, and an operation and maintenance building (the Project). During the Siting Board's review of the Project, the design and layout of the Project will be informed by a number of factors, including environmental studies, wildlife studies, electrical studies, land leasing, cultural assessments, and public input.

Bull Run proposes to interconnect the Project with the State's electric system by constructing an approximately 4-mile overhead 230 kilovolt (kV) alternating current electric transmission line at a proposed switchyard to be built adjacent to the New York Power Authority's Ryan-Plattsburgh 230 kV

transmission line in the Town of Ellenburg (the Transmission Facility). The Transmission Facility would be a major utility transmission facility subject to Public Service Law Article VII, which means it cannot be built or operated without a separate Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need issued by the Public Service Commission. Bull Run plans to file an application for permission to construct and operate the proposed Transmission Facility that will be reviewed in a separate proceeding before the Public Service Commission.

On July 27, 2016, Bull Run filed a Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS). The preliminary scoping phase of this proceeding will determine the nature and scope of the studies Bull Run must undertake to develop the information that must be included in Bull Run's 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.

TAKE NOTICE that a pre-application conference in this proceeding will be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2016, before Administrative Law Judge Kevin Casutto of the Department of Public Service, and Administrative Law Judge Maria E. Villa, of the Department of Environmental Conservation. The pre-application conference will begin at 10:00 a.m. at the Mooers Town Hall, 2508 Route 11, Mooers, New York. The conference has two primary purposes. First, it will enable the Judges to ask questions, and to possibly make contemporaneous rulings, on previously-filed requests for intervenor funds. Second, during the conference, the Judges will explain and possibly initiate the stipulations process.

It is expected that Bull Run, persons and parties that have previously submitted requests for pre-application intervenor funds, and persons or parties interested in pursuing

stipulations will attend and participate in the conference. Comments on the PSS are due by August 17, 2016, and requests for pre-application intervenor funding are due by August 29, 2016.

Additional information about both the intervenor funding process and the stipulations process can be found on the Siting Board's web page, www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard, and also can be found on the Department of Public Service's web page, www.dps.ny.gov, by entering 15-F-0377 in the "Search by Case Number" option. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Commission at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this notice.

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Secretary