

STATE OF NEW YORK
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OFFICE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SITING
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MATTER 24-03041 - Application of HECATE ENERGY COLUMBIA COUNTY 1, LLC, for a Major Renewable Energy Facility Siting Permit Pursuant to Article VIII of the New York State Public Service Law to Develop, Design, Construct, Operate, Maintain, and Decommission a 42-Megawatt (MW) Solar Energy Facility Known as the Shepherd's Run Solar Farm Located in the TOWN OF COPAKE, COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Affirmation of Service

Dakin D. Lecakes, an attorney admitted to practice in the State of New York, hereby affirms, under penalties of perjury pursuant 16 NYCRR 1100-8.5(a) and CPLR 2106, as follows:

1. I am over eighteen years of age and am employed as Legal Advisor to ORES Executive Director, Office of General Counsel, New York State Department of Public Service.

2. I am not a party in the above-captioned proceeding.

3. On October 14, 2026, I served pursuant to 16 NYCRR 1100-9.1(a): a copy of the final decision of the Interim Executive Director dated October 14, 2026; the summary and assessment of public comments dated October 13, 2026; the addendum summary and assessment of public comments dated October 13, 2026; and transmittal emails, dated October 14, 2026, to the persons appearing on the party list for Document and Matter Management (DMM) Matter No. 24-03041 that have consented to electronic service, by emailing a copy to the email addresses on record for this matter. A true and accurate copy of the party list appearing on DMM for this matter is attached to this affirmation as Attachment A.

4. A true and accurate copy of the email serving the final decision is attached to this affirmation as Attachment B.

5. A true and accurate copy of the email serving the summary and assessment of public comments and the addendum summary and assessment of public comments is attached to this affirmation as Attachment C.

Dated: October 22, 2026

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dakin D. Lecakes', is positioned above a horizontal line.

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3	Sullivan, Diane SVP, Environmental & Permitting Affairs Hecate Energy	Hecate Energy	621 W. Randolph Street Chicago, IL 13078	dsullivan@hecateenergy.com	Yes	Request
4	Shaw, Noah Partner Foley Hoag LLP	Hecate Energy Columbia County 1, LLC	1301 Avenue of the Americas, 25th Floor New York, NY 10019	ncshaw@foleyhoag.com Ph: 518-226-9602	Yes	Request
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6	Sacks, William Associate Counsel New York State Department of Health	New York State Department of Health	2468 Corning Tower Albany, NY 12237	william.sacks@health.ny.gov	Yes	Request
7	Primeau, Kris New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting	New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting	1220 Washington Avenue Albany, NY 12226	kris.primeau@dps.ny.gov Ph: 518-473-4543	Yes	Request
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17	Feeney, Thomas	Birch Hill Road Neighbors Association	70 Birch Hill Rd Craryville, NY 12521	tvfeeney@gmail.com Ph: 917-575-5650	Yes	Request
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19	Crounse, Sita Associate Attorney	New York State Department of	625 Broadway, 14th Floor	sita.crounse@dec.ny.gov	Yes	Request

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20	Crough, Maureen Counsel Sidley Austin LLP	Friends of Columbia Solar, Incorporated	787 Seventh Avenue New York, NY 10019	mcrough@sidley.com Ph: 212-839-7323	Yes	Request

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Subject: Hecate Energy Columbia County 1, LLC - Matter 24-03041
Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2026 4:31:50 PM
Attachments: [Sheperds Run - ORES Interim Executive Director Final Decision.pdf](#)

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