

Lighthouse Wind Project Public Involvement Tracking Log as of January 1 - February 28, 2015

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Completed Activities					
1/8/2015	Email	Suzanne Albright, Great Lakes Wind Truth	Correspondence	Questions regarding ownership of Apex Clean Energy and whether or not it is owned by BP.	<p>The Lighthouse Wind Project is owned by Lighthouse Wind, LLC, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Apex Clean Energy Holdings, LLC (formerly Apex Wind Energy Holdings, LLC).</p> <p>Apex Clean Energy Holdings, LLC is a privately owned Delaware limited liability company and is based in Charlottesville, VA. Apex acquired BQ Energy because BQ Energy had renewable energy development assets that Apex wanted to add to its portfolio.</p> <p>Greenlight Energy Inc. is a company formed in 2000 by many of the same investors currently investing in Apex. That entity was sold to BP, after which time the same investors started Apex (in 2009) to continue developing renewable energy. BP is unrelated to Apex.</p>
1/17/2015	Email	Susan Dudley	Correspondence	<p>Stakeholder made several comments and asked questions below.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stakeholder raises concerns about property value. 2. Stakeholder would like to see the website blog have specific questions that have been submitted by us local people and answers that are answers written by people like you not just referrals to other websites or generic wind studies. 3. Stakeholder raises concerns with the size of the proposed turbines, statistics regarding noise and other environmental and aesthetic issues. 	<p>Responses below were provided to stakeholder.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A rather thorough property value study was performed just about a year ago and can be found at this link: http://d3n8a8pro7vhmx.cloudfront.net/apexcleanenergy/pages/51/attachments/original/1390687567/lbnl-6362e.pdf?1390687567. When examining this and other sources of information, please look at the source of the information, the size of the study, and the qualifications of the individuals performing the studies. As to the visual impact, that will be one of the studies that is performed during the permitting process. For property owners on the lake shore, they should request visual simulations from key viewing points. 2. We are working with the Public Service Commission Staff to coordinate the proper method of recording, tracking, and responding to individual questions and response. Once we know the exact details on how this will work, I will let you know. 3. The studies will include sound projections, visual simulations, and shadow flicker projections based upon a specific turbine model. The specifications for these studies will be in the PSS. This is again an area in which you may want to offer input as the study protocols are developed.
1/17/2015	Email	Susan Dudley	Correspondence	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Stakeholder raises concerns as to the accuracy of the numbers regarding increase in jobs and revenue. 5. Stakeholder raises concerns regarding submitted maps and potential turbine locations. 6. Stakeholder asks for references to other wind project that have characteristics matching this one in: size of turbines, number of turbines, recreational and vacation property impact? 7. Stakeholder asks if Apex anticipates the same type of issues that the Cape Wind Project has had. 8. Stakeholder asks what has the feedback been from the Amish community? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. To which numbers are you referring? Since the beginning, we have been transparent in the number of jobs that we expect. The number will depend on the size of the resulting project. As you point out, the numbers will be much greater for the temporary jobs during construction, and the number of full time staff will be less. In regard to the full-time workers, I have seen many local people hired into those jobs. There are wind turbine technician programs in colleges in New York, so that training is available. 5. As we study the project, we have a larger boundary so as to include any places where any project components may go including the wind turbines, roads, collection lines, operation and maintenance buildings, and the substation. We are too early in the project to have sited the components. Due to setbacks from roads, occupied residences, and existing utility infrastructure, the wind turbines will all be south of Lakeshore Road in the Town of Yates. We have no plans to place turbines for this project in the lake. 6. One that is somewhat similar is the Marble River Wind Farm in northern NY. It is a 215 MW project that utilized 3,075 MW wind turbine generators that were 492 feet to the tip height. 7. While on-shore and off-shore wind turbines use similar technology, the development issues are very different. I would expect that we will see some similar issues, but not all of the same issues. 8. The area is home to both Amish and Mennonite communities. Some attended our open house and provided us with contact information. As we have offered to meet with neighbor groups in general, we will meet with them. Some may even choose to participate in the project.
1/19/2015	Email	Susan Dudley	Correspondence	Stakeholder provided contact information for other interested family members and proposed meeting.	Responded to stakeholder and list of family members offering to meet when they are in the project area.

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1/21/2015	Email	Suzanne Albright, Great Lakes Wind Truth	Correspondence	Question regarding the filing of an updated PIP on January 15, how it differs from the one filed on December 31, 2015, and why a new one was filed.	<p>A new PIP was submitted on January 15 with minor updates. The PIP has been updated to revise Appendix A, Stakeholders List. This appendix has been changed to reflect changes in elected representatives and has been corrected to make a change to a county representative's name.</p> <p>The second change was to Appendix H, Draft Form Letters and Notices. The sample advertisement has been edited to remove an actual date on the advertisement and to clearly mark it as a sample. This change was made based upon a public comment sent to the DPS docket website.</p>
1/22/2015	In-person Meeting	NYS Senator Robert Ort, staff members, and Apex representative Dan Fitzgerald.	Introduced Senator Ort and his staff to the proposed Lighthouse Wind Project, offer Apex contact information, answer any questions regarding Apex Clean Energy as a company, the Lighthouse Wind Project, wind farm development, or Article 10 Processes.	Senator Ort asked several questions about the project plans and the permitting processes it would be required to undergo.	Continue to update Senator Ort and his staff as Apex submits additional documents to the PSC under article 10. Maintain open lines of communication in order to answer any future questions. Provide project area maps.
1/23/2015	Email	Al Isselhard	Correspondence	<p>Stakeholder sent several questions below.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approximately how much will Apex invest in the Lighthouse Wind project? 2. Does Apex have permission to tie into the grid at the 345kV Kintigh Substation power plant? 3. Apex says that the Lighthouse Wind project will be able to power 53,000 homes. Does powering the homes mean powering them 24/7/365? 	<p>Responses below were provided to stakeholder.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The project is in the early stages of development, and as such, an actual investment number cannot be given at this time. The value of the investment will be dependent on the size of the constructed project among other factors, none of which have been finalized at this time. Typically, wind farms require hundreds of millions of dollars of investment. 2. Lighthouse Wind has an interconnection request in with the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) and is undergoing studies according to the Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT). 3. We calculate a "homes powered" estimate by using the following steps: Step 1: Multiply the size of the project (measured by the megawatts of capacity that it has) by the anticipated efficiency rating for the specific project, based on the site, turbine model, etc. (also called "net capacity factor" or NCF). The NCF for a project is proprietary, but it is calculated based upon real, existing wind data. This produces an estimate of the number of MW the project will actually produce (since turbines will not always be operating at full capacity.) Step 2: multiply the "actual MW" by the number of hours in the year (8760). This helps us estimate how many MWh will be produced every year (MWh/year). Step 3: Use existing energy consumption data, as recorded in the US Census, to determine the average annual energy consumption for a US household. Step 4: Divide the MWh/year that will be produced by the project by the number of MWh consumed by the average US household to determine the number of average households that can be powered by the energy produced by the wind farm.

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1/23/2015	Email	Al Isselhard	Correspondence	<p>5. The Rochester newspaper reported that the Lighthouse Wind project would involve 60 to 70 turbines about 570' tall and 3 Mw each. Can you confirm that this is correct?</p> <p>6. The Lighthouse Wind web site says: "New Study Confirms Wind Energy Does Not Reduce Property Values". In view of this comment - would Apex support and agree to a property value guarantee or property protection plan that would protect property owners on the value of their property since Apex is so confident property values will not be reduced by the Lighthouse Wind project?</p> <p>7. What would it cost to completely remove a 570' turbine (3Mw) including the concrete base and any underground cables, remove everything and restore the ground to what it was before the turbine was erected and legally dispose of all the materials?</p> <p>8. Would Apex pursue this project if the towns of Somerset and Yates would NOT agree to a PILOT but rather tax the Lighthouse Wind project at 100% of its value?</p> <p>9. Explain in some detail how the lessors will be protected against decommissioning costs?</p>	<p>5. The numbers reported were estimates based on the project potential and currently available turbine models. As stated earlier, the project is still in its early development stages. At this time, the turbine model and number of turbines has not yet been determined. Once further studies have been done, the number of turbines, turbine type, and locations will be submitted in the Application to the Siting Board.</p> <p>6. Throughout the development and permitting process, Lighthouse Wind will provide studies on many topics. These studies will be used in the Application submitted to the Siting Board. We will discuss the results of studies like these with the Siting Board throughout the process and any mitigation should it be deemed necessary.</p> <p>7. An estimate like this would require more advanced plans than we currently have for the project.</p> <p>8. Lighthouse Wind will work with the taxing jurisdictions on this issue. A decision of whether or not to proceed with a project depends on many factors. Tax or PILOT programs would be considered in the financial model as the project is more fully developed.</p> <p>9. Lighthouse Wind would put a decommissioning bond in place to cover the full value of decommissioning minus the value of the raw materials (including copper and steel) that can be sold for salvage.</p>
1/27/2015	Email	Suzanne Albright, Great Lakes Wind Truth	Correspondence	<p>Follow up questions in regard to the ownership of Apex Clean Energy.</p>	<p>Apex Clean Energy Holdings, LLC was founded by Greenlight Energy Resources in 2009, and is now a privately owned Delaware limited liability company and is based in Charlottesville, VA. Greenlight Energy Inc. (not Greenlight Energy Resources) is a company formed in 2000 that was sold to BP in 2006. BP is unrelated to Apex.</p> <p>Greenlight Energy, Inc. was founded in 2000. In late 2006, the value created at Greenlight was realized by the sale of the company to BP Alternative Energy. After that sale, some of the people who had founded Greenlight Energy, Inc. went on to form Greenlight Energy Resources and Apex Wind which became Apex Clean Energy.</p>

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1/28/2015	In-person Meeting	NYS Assemblyman Stephen Hawley. Apex representatives Dan Fitzgerald and Taylor Quarles	Introduced Assemblyman Hawley to the proposed Lighthouse Wind Project, offer Apex contact information, answer any questions regarding Apex Clean Energy as a company, the Lighthouse Wind Project, wind farm development, or Article 10 Processes.	Assemblyman Hawley asked several questions about the project plans and the permitting processes it would be required to undergo.	Continue to update Assemblyman Hawley as Apex submits additional documents to the PSC under article 10. Maintain open lines of communication in order to answer any future questions.
1/29/2015	In-person Meeting	James Whipple, CEO-CFO Orleans County EDA. Apex representatives Dan Fitzgerald and Taylor Quarles	Initiated dialogue on Apex interaction with the Orleans EDA throughout the Article 10 permitting process.	Mr. Whipple attended the second open house, held in the Yates town hall, in Lyndonville, NY, on December 9, 2014, thus was familiar with the proposed project.	Continue to update Mr. Whipple as Apex submits additional documents to the PSC under article 10. Maintain open lines of communication in order to answer any future questions.
1/30/2015	Email	Suzanne Albright, Great Lakes Wind Truth	Correspondence	Question asking if a town such as Yates in Orleans County, states they do not want industrial wind turbines in their town, will Apex withdraw their plan.	Apex follows all local, state, and federal laws in developing and building its projects. In New York, this includes evaluating and incorporating stakeholder input, which will include the input from the town of Yates and its residents.
2/9/2015	In-person Meeting	NYS Assemblywoman Jane Corwin. Apex representative Dan Fitzgerald.	Introduced Assemblywoman Corwin to the proposed Lighthouse Wind Project, offer Apex contact information, address questions regarding Apex Clean Energy as a company, the Lighthouse Wind Project, wind farm development, or Article 10 Processes.	Assemblywoman Corwin asked several questions about the project plans and the permitting processes it would be required to undergo.	Continue to update Assemblywoman Corwin as Apex submits additional documents to the PSC under article 10. Maintain open lines of communication in order to answer any future questions.
2/10/2015	Email	Susan Dudley	Correspondence	<p>Stakeholder sent several questions below.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stakeholder inquires to Lighthouse Wind link posted on Town of Yates website. 2. I have submitted some questions via the lighthouse wind website. They don't show up anywhere so how are they A) recorded, B) answered? 3. Can you provide data for some of sweeping generalities in your PIP .. i.e. millions of dollars in taxes, millions to lease holders.... would like a detailed explanation of how you arrive at these numbers. A spreadsheet would be nice. 4. From whom do we request a visual simulation? How is this done. Is it computer generated? 	<p>Responses below were provided to stakeholder.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We did not request the Town of Yates to post the link to our website. The Town of Yates has not endorsed the project, but we are working closely with Town officials and all other interested stakeholders, including yourself, to help them stay informed and updated on the project plans. 2. We are currently recording them in a database. I believe that I have answered many of your questions directly. Please advise me if there are outstanding questions that remain unanswered. The comments, questions, and other inputs that we collect through our website will be submitted to the PSC and posted on their site, as well as on our submissions page. We anticipate posting these communications approximately once every two months, as suggested by the PSC. We need to further consult with the PSC to verify the format in which these should be conveyed, and we expect to be posting our first report of these communications as soon as we receive guidance from the PSC. 3. Details of this will be provided in the Application that will be submitted to the Public Service Commission. 4. This would be part of the Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS). You may suggest this to us, via public comment on the PSC website, or via your local representatives. The method, too, will be developed through the PSS process. We will strive to incorporate best visualization processes, working with a third-party modeler for this work. Typically, visualizations are computer generated to accurately represent the visual impacts of planned turbines.

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2/10/2015	Email	Susan Dudley	Correspondence	<p>5. How long does Apex intend to retain control of this wind farm? Will they be selling it off as soon as possible as they have done with other projects? How does this affect PILOT agreements? How does this affect lease holders? How does this affect disassembly promises at the end of 20 or 30 years.</p> <p>6. Why does APEX think this is a viable contribution to the NY state electrical grid. What are your statistics as to how much real electricity will reach the grid?</p> <p>7. How long will your wind meter studies run? Do you compare the numbers to data that already exists such as those published by NREL?</p> <p>8. How much energy does a wind turbine consume? There must be a number showing energy consumed vs energy generated. What is it?</p>	<p>5. Apex has pursued various forms of project development and construction. Apex completed the development and construction of the Canadian Hills project in Oklahoma. In the case of that project, we did sell the project to another owner/operator once it was operational. The power from the project is being purchased by several different utilities. However, that arrangement is not standard for all of our projects. For example, in the case of the Hoopston Wind project in Illinois and the Cameron Wind project in Texas, Apex will be managing development, construction, and operation of the projects throughout their lives. In these cases, another business will be purchasing the facilities, but Apex will operate them. In the future, Apex does hope to maintain ownership of its projects. But at this point in our company's growth, we need to work with additional partners. It is premature to say how ownership of the Lighthouse Wind project would be structured once (and if) it is built. Agreements such as PILOTS, leases, and decommissioning are signed to the project and transfer with ownership.</p> <p>6. Apex thinks that this is a viable contribution to New York State as it directly addresses its renewable energy goals as stated in the New York State Energy Plan. Final estimations on output will be determined once the project size and configuration is complete. This type of information will be available in our Application submitted to the PSC.</p> <p>7. Our studies will run throughout the development, construction, and operation of the project. We use the data collected at the site, as well as data from other available sources such as NREL maps. Our on-site data will offer much more specificity than the general wind maps produced by NREL.</p> <p>8. Turbines use very little energy. However, the energy they do use is factored into our estimates of the energy that will be produced. The exact amount of energy a turbine will use depends on the model of the turbine, and this has not yet been determined for Lighthouse Wind.</p>
2/10/2015	Email	Susan Dudley	Correspondence	<p>9. How is wind energy stored?</p> <p>10. Most of the electricity generated is sent downstate through old transmission lines. I have read it gets bottle necked around Utica...what exactly does that mean? Do they use it in Utica? or what happens?</p> <p>11. Many of the studies shown in the APEX PIP are showing turbines that are 200ft high. How can you compare these to turbines 570ft high and call them the same??</p> <p>12. Is the APEX project a replacement for the UNYPP coal fired generating plant? Are you using the same transmission lines? Who will get precedence? How does that work?</p> <p>13. That number you have of 200 megawatts --- is that a day, a year...or what. What % of total electricity generated in NY does that represent?</p>	<p>9. Wind energy can be stored in the same manner as all other forms of electricity. Most frequently, wind energy is fed onto the grid and used as it is generated. Grid operators ensure that an equal amount of energy is being added to the grid as is being used at any given time. This is the same balancing process that grid operators use to integrate conventional energy generation as well.</p> <p>10. Where an actual electron goes is a matter of physics and based upon supply and demand. The greatest load (draw of power) is usually at population centers and increases at different times of the day. During those peak times, more power is drawn to the load centers, so some of the electricity generated in this project could end up going there. As for the "bottle neck", there are ongoing improvements being made to the NY grid to allow for a more efficient flow of power at peak times.</p> <p>11. Though the turbine model is yet to be determined, we have set expectations that it would likely be from 500-600 feet to tip height. Please provide more specific references to the studies that you mention that have turbines at 200 feet high.</p> <p>12. Apex has filed an interconnection request with the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) for interconnection at the New York State Electric and Gas (NYSEG) Kintigh substation. That substation is located in front of the UNYPP plant. We are undergoing a series of studies with NYISO at this time. We will use the NYSEG transmission lines that go into that station. The operation will be controlled by NYISO based upon several factors.</p> <p>13. The 200 MW is nameplate capacity. That is what the total of all of the generators at maximum output. Once we have advanced through our studies and determined the final turbine model, we will be able to make the calculations of actual output. The output calculation factors in the anticipated efficiency of the facility and the wind data to produce an estimation of the MWh/year that will be produced by the facility.</p>

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2/10/2015	In-person Meeting	Aaron Nellist, Mayor of Barker, NY. Apex representatives Dan Fitzgerald and Taylor Quarles.	Introduced proposed Lighthouse Wind project and the Article 10 Process, and how this will involve the Town Barker.	Mayor Nellist asked several questions about the project plans, economic development, studies that would be performed, and the permitting processes it would be required to undergo.	Continue to update Mr. Nellist as the project develops and as Apex submits additional documents to the PSC under article 10. Maintain open lines of communication in order to answer any future questions. Request assistance in identifying community group outreach opportunities.
2/11/2015	In-person Meeting	Steve Metivier -- Chief, NY Application Evaluation Section, Regulatory Branch, Buffalo District at US Army Corps of Engineers. Molly Connerton -- Project Manager, Buffalo District of US Army Corps of Engineers. Marty Crosso -- Team Lead, Buffalo District of US Army Corps of Engineers. Apex representatives Dan Fitzgerald and Taylor Quarles.	Formal introduction of Apex Clean Energy and the proposed Lighthouse Wind project. Discussion of US Army involvement in such projects, which included wildlife, wetlands and waterways, native peoples and cultural resources. Also discussed different agencies involved in permitting the proposed project, and the potential overlap in their roles.	Precise communication between Apex and Buffalo District of US Army Corps of Engineers, USFWS, NYS DEC, and other bodies which deal with wetlands and environmental concerns will be crucial to prevent undue overlap and keep everyone updated in order that communication is efficient and studies are effective.	Establish firm lines of communication with designated Buffalo District of US Army Corps of Engineers, which will most likely occur through Molly Connerton and Marty Crosso.
2/11/2015	In-person Meeting	Greg Parker -- Economic Development Specialist II. Apex representatives Dan Fitzgerald and Taylor Quarles	Introduction of Apex Clean Energy and the proposed Lighthouse Wind project to the Empire State Development Corporation.	Discussion of the Empire State Development Corporation's typical involvement with large energy projects, and how interactions will continue in the future.	Schedule meetings with other pertinent members of the Empire State Development Corporation. Establish point person(s), and maintain updates and open communication as Apex continues submitting article 10 documents to the PSC.
2/11/2015	In-person Meeting	Michael Saviola -- Agricultural Resource Specialist, Division of Land & Water Resources, NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets	Introduction of Apex Clean Energy and the proposed Lighthouse Wind project to the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets.	Discussion of Mr. Saviola's extensive previous experience working with other wind projects in NYS, and how the article 10 permitting process will run versus the previous processes. Preliminary discussion of how the proposed Lighthouse Wind project can address concerns the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets typically has with wind farms.	Continue with open communication with Mr. Saviola, who will be the designated contact with the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets. Update Mr. Saviola when Apex submits additional documents to the PSC under Article 10. Continue discussion of satisfying Mr. Saviola in our proposed studies and protocols to be submitted as part of the preliminary scoping statement.

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2/11/2015	Email	Al Isselhard Great Lakes Concerned Citizens Great Lakes Wind Truth Coalition On Article X Lake Ontario Riparian Alliance	Correspondence	<p>Stakeholder made several comments and asked questions below.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is there another Lighthouse Wind open house scheduled for the Barker, NY fire hall on March 12? (Apex flyer says its a Tuesday but March 12 is a Thursday) Why isn't this open house shown on the Lighthouse Wind website events section? Why is this second open house in Barker taking place - doesn't the first count? 2. At what point do Apex payments to the lessors stop? 3. Will Apex sign the NYS Wind Industry Ethics Code? 4. Will Apex Clean Energy LLC pursue eminent domain procedures (condemnation for utility easements/transmission lines) during the course of developing the Lighthouse Wind project? 5. Exactly when will the make, model and number of turbines in the Lighthouse Wind project be announced? 6. The Lighthouse Wind blog section says "Cows like wind energy". On what scientific study do you base that conclusion? 7. What has Apex done to communicate with Amish and Mennonite communities in the project area of impact? 	<p>Responses below were provided ot the stakeholder:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There is not another open house scheduled at this time. The "flyer" that you refer to was a sample that was provided in the PIP and not an actual advertisement. The latest version of the PIP clearly marks this as a sample and removed the dates. 2. At the end of the contracted agreement. 3. Apex Clean Energy has not been contacted by the NYS Attorney General in regard to signing the Wind Ethics Code. Nevertheless, Apex incorporates the standards and guidelines of the Code into its Project development practices. We are vigilant with respect to identifying potential conflicts of interest. For example, we ask potential project participants if they are in any elected or appointed positions that could cause a potential conflict. 4. It is not currently anticipated that such procedures would be pursued. Apex Clean Energy is not a utility, and we are not eligible as they are to utilize the power of eminent domain to build our projects. We will build facilities in places where private property owners have voluntarily agreed to lease their property to us for this purpose. 5. This information will be provided in the Application submitted to the Siting Board. Please see http://www.lighthousewind.com/article_10 to learn more about the Article 10 process and the Application submittal timeline. 6. If you look at the photo in that posting, it was referencing the fact that the cows seemed to be enjoying the shade provided by the turbine. 7. As with other stakeholders in the area, we have spoken with members of the Amish and Mennonite communities at our open houses and offered to meet with them individually or in a group.
2/11/2015	Email	Al Isselhard Great Lakes Concerned Citizens Great Lakes Wind Truth Coalition On Article X Lake Ontario Riparian Alliance	Correspondence	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. What does Apex do when a non-participant land owner doesn't agree to sign a setback waiver or will not agree to permit Apex to bury underground cables across their property for the project? 9. Apex plans to have formal consultations with Governmental Stakeholders (page 14 of PIP). Will interested individuals and public interest groups be aware of when/where these consultations will take place and be allowed to attend these consultations? 10. The PIP (page 14) says: "Applicant will conduct individual meetings with local government and community leaders, as identified in Appendix B, to keep them informed and updated on Project progress". Are members of the public allowed to attend these meetings and ask questions just the same as the government and community leaders? 11. Apex PIP (page 16) says: "No environmental justice issues have been identified in this Project". What studies has Apex done to make this conclusion? 12. In view of Apex using a database platform called NationBuilder (www.nationbuilder.com), and it is integrated into the Lighthouse Wind website, - will people sharing their email addresses with Apex or Lighthouse Wind or you - have their email addresses given to a third party for email marketing purposes? NationBuilder sounds like personal information about you will be available to others for marketing purposes if you become involved with this project as an interested person - is this true? Can Lighthouse Wind interested parties opt out of NationBuilder? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. We alter our project plans accordingly. We are only able to build facilities on properties that have been leased to us for this purpose. 9. The public outreach steps identified in the PIP are already underway and have been summarized in the latest PIP tracking document. As stated in the PIP a summary of these meetings will be submitted to the Department of Public Service. Some of the outreach efforts will involve local municipal officials as well as interested stakeholder and individual members of the public. With respect to any meetings with public officials, Lighthouse Wind will comply with NY open meeting laws and notice requirements. 10. Lighthouse Wind will comply with NY open meeting laws and all notice requirements. These consultations are scheduled at a time and location convenient for the local government and community leaders and, in some instances, may even occur via phone. They are intended to keep public officials informed as to the status of the project and to exchange information. In addition, we will hold sessions for members of the public or individual stakeholders such as yourself to answer questions regarding the project and solicit feedback. This can also be done via email such as we have done in this correspondence and the prior ones. 11. This was determined using the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation mapping tool for Environmental Justice Communities. 12. This information will be used for Lighthouse Wind project purposes only. No email addresses or other information will be shared with parties outside of Apex, our consultants (for Project work only), and the public Service Commission. Any interested party may choose not to use the tools on our website. Those who do choose to sign up on the website may opt out of emails and text messages, but we are making these tools available to make it as easy and convenient as possible for interested parties to receive information and updates about the project. For those who choose not to sign up on our website, we may be contacted by phone, mail, or email.

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Upcoming or Planned Activities					
4/1/2015	Open House	Representatives from Apex, members of the public, press, and local government bodies	Increase public awareness of project development and permitting details	Intention to gather stakeholder comments and feedback.	Gather stakeholder feedback and answer any questions in timely manner. Utilize feedback in development of PSS.