

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 20-F-0043 - Application of Garnet Energy Center, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 to Construct and Operate a Solar Generating Facility and Energy Storage System in the Town of Conquest, Cayuga County.

NOTICE REQUESTING COMMENTS ON
WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION APPLICATION

(Issued April 29, 2024)

On October 28, 2022, the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment granted Garnet Energy Center, LLC (Garnet) a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need, with Conditions (Certificate) pursuant to Public Service Law §168.

The Certificate authorizes Garnet to construct and operate a solar energy generating facility with a generation capacity of up to 200 megawatts (MW) located on 2,288.7 acres of property in the Town of Conquest, Cayuga County (the Project). The Project will consist of fixed racking or tracking commercial-scale arrays of photovoltaic solar panels, temporary and permanent access roads, buried collection lines, inverters and cabling systems, transformers, a collection substation, a 345-kilovolt switchyard, laydown yards and parking areas, and a 20 MW four-hour duration energy storage system.

Pursuant to 33 U.S.C. §1341(a)(1), notice is provided that on July 10, 2023, Garnet filed an Application for a Clean Water Act §401 Water Quality Certification (July 2023 Application for Water Quality Certification).

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that comments on the July 2023 Application for Water Quality Certification are requested by

May 20, 2024. Comments should be submitted electronically, by going to www.dps.ny.gov, clicking on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission Files"), entering "20-F-0043" in the "Search by Case Number" field, and then clicking on the "Post Comments" box located at the top of the page. Those unable to file electronically may mail their comments to the Honorable Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary, New York State Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York, 12223-1350. Comments submitted to the Secretary will be posted on the Department's website and will be included in the official case record.

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MICHELLE L. PHILLIPS
Secretary