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Hoffman Falls Wind Project
Towns of Fenner, Nelson, Eaton, and Smithfield, Madison County
Permit Application No. 23-00038

Determination of Occupied Habitat, Incidental Take and Net Conservation Benefit
Revised October 15, 2024

Wildlife Site Characterization

In compliance with 16 NYCRR § 1100-1.3(g)(2), Liberty Renewables, Inc. (Applicant) provided a draft Wildlife Site Characterization Report for the proposed Hoffman Falls Wind Project, Towns of Fenner, Nelson, Eaton, and Smithfield, Madison County, New York dated February 2023. This report, together with the avian surveys referenced below, have been provided to the Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Electric Transmission (the Office or ORES) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in connection with the Applicant's pending facility siting application pursuant to Article VIII of the New York State Public Service Law and 16 NYCRR Part 1100.

Permit Application

On February 15th, 2024, the Applicant submitted an initial Permit Application (Application) to ORES for this Facility. The initial submission was followed by an Application Addendum on March 5th, 2024, and an Application Supplement on June 6th, 2024. On September 16, 2024, the Applicant submitted a request to the Office for a Revised Take Determination and subsequently on September 27, 2024 submitted a request for permission to submit an amendment to the Application pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 1100-7.1(b), proposing changes to the Facility layout. In response, the Office is providing a Revised Determination of Occupied Habitat, Incidental Take and Net Conservation replacing any prior determinations as described herein.

Avian Surveys

The Applicant provided the following avian survey reports: Hoffman Falls Wind Forest Raptor Survey Report dated October 2023; Hoffman Falls Wind Breeding Bird Survey Report dated October 2023; Hoffman Falls Wind Marsh Bird Report dated August 2023; Hoffman Falls Wind Winter Raptor Survey Report dated June 2023;

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ATTACHMENT A – ORES TAKE DETERMINATION MAP SERIES

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ATTACHMENT B – ORES OCCUPIED HABITAT FIELD BY FIELD ANALYSIS TABLE

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