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VIA REGULAR MAIL and ELECTRONIC FILING

Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess
Secretary to the Commission
New York State Public Service Commission
Agency Building 3
Albany, NY 12223

Re: Case No. 16-F-0559: Application of Bluestone Wind LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 for Construction of the Bluestone Wind Farm Project Located in the Towns of Windsor and Sanford, Broome County.

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Bluestone Wind LLC ("Bluestone Wind"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Calpine Corporation, is proposing to construct a major electric generating facility in the Towns of Sanford and Windsor in Broome County, New York ("Bluestone Wind Farm Project" or the "Facility"). To construct and operate the Facility, Bluestone Wind is seeking a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need ("Certificate") from the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment ("Siting Board") pursuant to Article 10 of the Public Service Law ("PSL") and the Siting Board's rules (16 NYCRR Part 1000).

Pursuant to PSL §163 and §1000.5 of the Siting Board's rules (16 NYCRR §1000.5), Bluestone Wind hereby files its Preliminary Scoping Statement ("PSS"). Please find enclosed ten paper copies of the PSS. The check representing the required filing fee for pre-application intervenor funding as required by PSL §163(4) is being provided under separate cover.

The PSS follows the statutory requirements of Article 10 (PSL §163(1)) and the Siting Board's rules (16 NYCRR §1000.5(l)). The PSS contains a description of the proposed Facility and

the studies or program of studies designed to evaluate potentially significant adverse environmental and health impacts. The results of the studies will be included in Bluestone Wind's Application for an Article 10 Certificate.

Pursuant to Article 10 (PSL §163(2)) and Section 1000.5 of the Siting Board's rules, copies of the PSS have been or are in the process of being served on the parties identified in 16 NYCRR §1000.5(c). An Affidavit of Service attesting to the electronic service of the PSS is enclosed as *Attachment 1* in compliance with 16 NYCRR §1000.5(f)(a). Once service of paper copies is completed, an additional Affidavit of Service confirming that all required paper copies of the PSS were served will be provided under separate cover.

Pursuant to Section 1000.5(d), notice of the PSS was published in the newspapers identified in the Public Involvement Program Plan (PIP): the *Windsor Standard*, *Deposit Courier*, and *Press & Sun Bulletin*, on August 9, 2017, and on the Project website (<http://www.bluestonewind.com>). Affidavits of Publication and copies of the newspaper notices are attached hereto as *Attachment 2* in compliance with 1000.5(f)(c).

On August 9, 2017, Bluestone Wind LLC also provided a Notice to interested parties that, a week from that date, the Bluestone Wind PSS would be filed, starting a 21-day comment period on the PSS. That PSS Notice was filed on the Siting Board's docket for this project, sent electronically to the party list maintained by the Secretary on the Facility's Document and Matter Management website, and mailed as a letter to all members of the Master Stakeholder List. A copy of the notice submitted to the Siting Board's website was previously filed. A copy of the email communication to members of the Party List is appended hereto as *Attachment 4*.¹ A copy of the Stakeholder Letter mailed to the Master Stakeholder List, as well as the updated Master Stakeholder List was previously filed. Collectively, these mailings fulfill the requirements of 16 NYCRR § 1000.5(d) and (e)(3), which requires that some or all of these individuals receive notice of the PSS filing at least three days prior to the filing date.

Pursuant to Section 1000.5(e)(1), at least three days' advance notice of the filing of the PSS was served on each member of the State Legislature in whose district the Facility is proposed to be located. A courtesy copy of the same letter was sent to the Windsor and Sanford Town Supervisors and the County Legislator for the Project Area. Copies of these letters are attached hereto as *Attachment 6*.

Pursuant to 1000.5(g), any person, agency or municipality may submit comments on the PSS within 21 days (or by September 8, 2017) by filing a copy with the Secretary and serving the Applicant at the following address:


Alec Jarvis
Director of Development
Calpine Corporation
717 Texas Avenue, Suite 1000
Houston, TX 77002
Alec.jarvis@calpine.com

¹ As of August 9, 2017, when this notice was circulated, Cheryl Sacco, attorney for the Town of Windsor, had not been added to the Party List. Ms. Sacco was added to the Party List on August 10, 2017.

Bluestone Wind looks forward to working with the interested parties and stakeholders during the pre-application phase of this process on the scope and content of the Application.

Please do not hesitate to call me with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,


James A. Muscato II, Esq.
Laura K. Bomyea, Esq.

cc: Party List, DMM

Attachment 1: Affidavit of Service for 1000.5(f)(a), electronic service of the PSS

Attachment 2: Copy of Newspaper Notice of Filing PSS & Proof of Publication for 1000.5(f)(c)

Attachment 3: Advance PSS Notice Submitted to DMM for 1000.5(e)(3) (Previously filed and not included in this filing)

Attachment 4: Advance PSS Notice Circulated to DMM Party List for 1000.5(e)(3)

Attachment 5: Copy of Advance PSS Stakeholder Notice Letter Mailed Week of August 7, 2017 (Previously filed and not included in this filing)

Attachment 6: Copy of Advance Notice to State Legislators (for 1000.5(e)(1); Courtesy Copies to County Legislator and Town Supervisors, sent August 11, 2017