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Mr. Alec Jarvis
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Re: Case 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, NY.

Dear Mr. Jarvis:

This letter is to inform you that Staff of the New York State Department of Public Service (“DPS Staff”) has reviewed the proposed Public Involvement Program Plan (“PIP Plan”) for the proposed Bluestone Wind Farm (“the Project”) filed on October 4, 2016, by Calpine Corporation (the “Applicant”).

While we recognize that the Applicant has made significant efforts in its public outreach, in an effort to guide and assist you in preparing an adequate and robust PIP Plan, DPS Staff has prepared some specific recommendations, which are outlined in Attachment A. DPS Staff believes that the application process can be streamlined if the Applicant develops a thorough and Final PIP Plan. Outreach to potentially affected stakeholders early in the process, in order to effectively obtain preliminary input, will guide the development of the scope of studies for the application.

Pursuant to 16 NYCRR §1000.4(e), Bluestone Wind “shall within 30 days consider the measures recommended by DPS [Staff] and, in a final written Public Involvement Program Plan filed with the Secretary, shall as to each specific measure either revise the Public Involvement Program Plan to incorporate the DPS [Staff] recommendations, or provide written explanation as to why [it] is not incorporating the DPS [Staff] recommendation.”

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding the attached DPS Staff recommendations, please contact me at (518) 474-1788 or by email at lorna.gillings@dps.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lorna E. Gillings". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and "G".

Lorna Gillings
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cc: (via email) Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary to the Commission
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