

NEW YORK STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC  
GENERATION SITING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

CASE 14-F-0490 - Application of Cassadaga Wind LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 to Construct a Wind Energy Project.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARING

(Issued November 30, 2016)

Cassadaga Wind LLC (Cassadaga) filed an application on June 16, 2016, seeking authority to build and operate a 126 megawatt (MW) wind energy project, including up to 62 wind turbines, together with associated collection lines (below grade and overhead), access roads, meteorological towers, operation and maintenance building, collection and point of interconnect substations, and related facilities (the Project). The Project is proposed to be located in the Towns of Charlotte, Cherry Creek, Arkwright, and Stockton in Chautauqua County, and would interconnect to the state's electrical grid along the Dunkirk-Moon 115 kV transmission line.

On November 28, 2016, the Chair of the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (Siting Board) determined that the application of Cassadaga Wind LLC is compliant with the Siting Board's filing requirements.

**TAKE NOTICE** that an opportunity for public education and a public statement hearing will be held before the three Examiners, Administrative Law Judges Kevin Casutto and Dakin D. Lecakes of the Department of Public Service and Administrative Law Judge P. Nicholas Garlick of the Department of Environmental Conservation, as follows:

Date: January 9, 2017

Location: Sinclairville Fire Department  
30 Main Street  
Sinclairville, New York 14782

Time: Informational Forum:  
6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Public Statement Hearing:  
7:00 P.M.

At the Informational Forum, the Examiners will provide an overview of the Siting Board's certification process. Cassadaga will then present a brief summary of the proposed project and will have maps of the proposed project area available for viewing. Members of the public will then have an opportunity to pose questions about the process and the certificate application pending before the Siting Board.

At the hearing, any person wishing to provide a public statement must complete a request card, and the Examiners will use the request cards to call each person who has requested to provide a statement. The Examiners will continue the hearing until everyone wishing to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements have been made. A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be made for inclusion in the record of this case.

Disabled persons requiring special accommodations should call the Department of Public Service's Human Resources Management Office at (518) 474-2520 as soon as possible. TDD users may request a sign language interpreter by placing a call through the New York Relay Service at 711. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Department at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this notice.

The application may be reviewed online at the Siting Board web page (<http://tinyurl.com/z2bewac>), by following the link to "Projects Under Review," on the left side of the page. The application also is available for review at local public libraries in the project vicinity.

**Other Ways to Comment**

For those who cannot attend or prefer not to speak at a public statement hearing, there are several other ways to provide your comments to the Siting Board. Comments should refer to "Case 14-F-0490." Although comments will be accepted throughout the pendency of this proceeding, they are requested by March 7, 2017.

**Via the Internet or Mail:** The public may enter comments directly into the case file from the Department of Public Service website, [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov), by clicking on "Search" at the top of the page and then entering "14-F-0490" into the "Search by Case Number" field. In the open case, access the screen to enter comments by clicking on the "Post Comments" box at the top right of the page. Comments may also be submitted electronically to the Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, at [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov), or by mail or delivery to Secretary Burgess at the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. All written comments will become part of the record considered by the Siting Board and can be read on the website by searching by the case number, as described above, and clicking on the "Public Comments" tab.

**Toll-Free Opinion Line:** Individuals may choose to submit comments by calling the Department of Public Service's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This line is set up to receive in-state calls 24-hours a day. These calls are not transcribed

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but a summary is provided to the presiding Examiners, who will report to the Siting Board.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS  
Secretary