Prattsburgh Wind, LLC Steuben County, New York

NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION REQUEST

This notice announces that Prattsburgh Wind, LLC, ("the Applicant") filed a Joint Application for Wetlands Permit, which included a request for a Water Quality Certification (WQC), with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) (collectively the "Joint Application"). The Joint Application will be filed with the New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Transmission (ORES) on or about February 24, 2025. The Joint Application relates to the construction of the proposed 147-megawatt (MW) wind energy generation facility, to be located in the Towns of Prattsburgh, Wheeler, Avoca, Cohocton, Howard, Steuben County, known as the Prattsburgh Wind Farm ("the Project").

On September 24, 2024, the Applicant was issued a Siting Permit under Article VIII of the Public Service Law from ORES (Matter No. 21-00749). The Joint Application that is the subject of this notice covers the permits/approvals required to construct and/or operate the Project under the Clean Water Act 404 and for WQC from ORES under Clean Water Act 401 and 6 NYCRR Part 608. No public comment period is required for the Joint Application at this time.

The Joint Application includes, among other things: a description of the Project, including details on Project components, Project design, Project construction, and related information; an analysis of the environmental setting of the Project; results from analyses conducted to assess potential impacts to aquatic resources, streams and jurisdictional waters from construction and operation of the Project; proposed measures to minimize environmental impacts; and reasonable alternatives. The pending USACE application also addresses compliance with the Endangered Species Act and the Historic Preservation Act.

The Project will have the following environmental impacts relevant to the request for Water Quality Certification and USACE Application under review. Construction of the Facility is anticipated to have temporary and permanent impacts on state regulated streams, wetlands, and 100-foot wetland adjacent areas. Impacts to state regulated surface waters are described in the Project's Article VIII Application filed with ORES. Construction of the Project will result in approximately 3,081 linear feet (0.25 acres) of temporary impacts to federally regulated streams associated with electric collection lines, access roads, and temporary intersection improvements, and approximately 277 linear feet (less than 0.02 acres) of permanent impacts to federally regulated streams associated with access roads. Construction of the Project will result in approximately 0.69 acres of temporary impacts in federally regulated wetlands associated with electric collection lines and access roads, and 0.26 acres of temporary fill to federally regulated wetlands associated with temporary intersection improvements, 0.48 acres of permanent forest conversion impacts to federally regulated wetlands associated with clearing for access roads and collection line, and 0.32 acres of permanent fill in federally regulated wetlands associated with access roads. Any necessary wetland mitigation related to potential Project impacts will be determined by the USACE.

Pursuant to the ORES regulations, this notice is being provided in accordance with 16 NYCRR 1100-1.4(b)(1) and 1.6(c) and will be published at least three (3) days prior to the filing of the Water Quality Certification request with ORES. A copy of the Water Quality Certification request will be served on the Chief Executive Officer of each municipality in which any portion of the Project is located, as well as those persons and agencies enumerated in 16 NYCRR 1100-1.6(a).

This request, when filed with ORES, will be available on the project's dedicated website (<u>Prattsburgh Wind Farm | Terra-Gen</u>) or on the ORES website at (<u>https://ores.ny.gov/permit-applications</u>) under Matter No. 21-00749. Documents may also be viewed at the following public repositories: Prattsburgh Free Library, 26 S. Main Street, Prattsburgh, NY 14873, Avoca Free Library, 18N. Main Street, Avoca, NY 14809, Cohocton Public Library, 8 Maple Avenue, Cohocton, NY 14826, Howard Public Library, 3607 County Route 70A, Hornell, NY 14843, The Dormann Library, 101 W. Morris Street, Bath, NY 14810. Libraries often have free internet access.

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File a Request for Notices

Any interested member of the public may file a request with ORES to receive copies of all notices concerning the Project. Written requests should be sent to general@ores.ny.gov or sent by mail to the following address: Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Transmission (ORES), c/o: OGS Mailroom, Empire State Plaza, 240 State Street, P-1 South, J Dock, Albany, NY 12242.