



August 10, 2015

Honorable Kathleen H. Burgess
Secretary of the Commission
New York State Public Service Commission
Empire State Plaza
Agency Building 3
Albany, NY 12223-1350

RE: Case 14-F-0490 – Application of EverPower Wind Holdings, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 to Construct a 126 MW Wind Energy Project – Public Involvement Program Meeting Log Update

Dear Ms. Burgess,

Enclosed please find an updated spreadsheet-style meeting log that identifies Public Involvement Program stakeholder meetings and activities conducted by Cassadaga Wind, LLC through July 31, 2015.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 412-253-9419 or swilmore@everpower.com should you have any questions about this filing.

Sincerely,

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EverPower Wind Holdings, Inc.

Enclosure



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Date of Meeting	Location of Meeting	Meeting Attendees	Purpose of Meeting	Follow-up Action Items	Comments	Upcoming Outreach Activity
1/20/2015	Sinclairville Fire Hall	Bill Spencer, Kevin Sheen, Seth Wilmore (EverPower); Ben Brazell (EDR), public/stakeholders	Open house to present project and respond to questions	Reach out to Chautauqua Environmental Council	Various verbal comments; 3 written comments	Request for meeting sent to Chautauqua Environmental Council
2/09/2015	Arkwright Town Hall	Bill Spencer, Arkwright Town Board	Provide general information on Project and Article 10 process	None at present	Board offered support and appreciation for information	
2/10/2015	Chautauqua County Industrial Development Agency (CCIDA)	Bill Spencer, CCIDA members	Inform Staff on Project progress and begin discussion on PILOT	CCIDA to send PILOT packet to Cassadaga Wind LLC	Will review with Cassadaga Project Team	
2/10/2015	Cherry Creek Town Hall	Bill Spencer, Bill Young, Town Supervisor	Meeting to discuss upcoming Open House in Cherry Creek on 3/24/2015	None needed	Town looking forward to Open House	
2/10/2015	Stockton Town Hall	Bill Spencer/Stockton Hall Town Board	Met with Town Board about Project and Town's role in the Project and Article 10	Continue to attend Meetings as needed	Town offered support and appreciation for the information	
3/5/2015	Email	Conner Liddell, EDR, Shaun Keeler, NYSDEC	Obtain information on fisheries within streams proximate to the project	NYSDEC fisheries to review submission	None at present	NYSDEC responded with data in an email dated 3/26/2015
3/9/2015	Cherry Creek Town Hall	Bill Spencer/ Cherry Creek Town Board	Update Board on Project	Continue to attend Meetings as needed	Board appreciated the continued coordination	

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3/11/2014	Charlotte Town Hall	Bill Spencer/Charlotte Town Board	Update Board on Project	Continue to Attend Meetings as needed	Board appreciated the continued coordination	
3/18/2015	Email	John Wojcikiewicz, EDR, Andrea Chaloux of New York Natural Heritage Program	Obtain information on documented endangered and threatened wildlife, significant habitats, and rare plants	New York Natural Heritage Program (NHP) to provide letter response	None at present	NHP responded with a letter dated 4/21/2015
3/24/2015	Cherry Creek VFW	Bill Spencer, Kevin Sheen, Seth Wilmore, Kristi Peyton (EverPower); Ben Brazell (EDR); public/stakeholders	Open house to present project and respond to questions	Chautauqua County SnoGoers provided snow mobile map for trails to be digitized	Various verbal comments from the public and stakeholders; 1 written comment	
4/1/2015	Letter	Patrick Heaton, EDR, multiple stakeholders, see attached sheet for distribution list	Request any additional significant visually sensitive sites that are not included in the initial inventory developed by EDR	Stakeholders to provide response	Discussed outreach letter with Cherry Creek and Charlotte Town Supervisors	Cherry Creek responded with information packet on April 20, 2015. Charlotte responded on April 28, 2015 stating that they had no additional information to add
4/7/2015	Dunkirk, NY	Bill Spencer John Nalbone, President of Universal Resources	Discuss Mr. Nalbone's private airstrip and O&G facilities	Mr. Nalbone saw no issues with airport and project facilities. Requested layout to map his facilities	Will work together to develop MUA for O&G facilities	Map sent on April 13, 2015 and will await his response
4/13/15	EverPower Office	Phone call - Bill Spencer, Seth Wilmore, Ken Bachman, Charlotte town Supervisor	Assist Mr. Bachman with review of visual outreach letter prepared by EDR for visual and cultural information as required by Article 10 regulations	EverPower Representatives to attend May Town Board Meeting to provide presentation on Article 10	Supervisor appreciated assistance with understanding the Article 10 regulations and consultation process	

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4/13/15	Cherry Creek Town Hall	Seth Wilmore, Bill Spencer, Cherry Creek Town Board, Cherry Creek Road Supervisor, Local residents	Provide education to the Board and public on Article 10 Information requests by EDR and Project overview	EverPower to continue to provide support to Board as needed	Board thanked us for the presentation and appreciated us taking the time to educate them on Article 10. Will provide input on cultural and visual viewpoints	Continue to attend meetings
4/17/2015	Email	John Wojcikiewicz, EDR, Angus Eaton of NYSDEC Division of Water	Obtain information pertaining to ground water and water supply within the project area	The NYSDEC Division of Water provided copies of well reports (in PDF format) in an email dated May 5, 2015	None at present	
4/17/2015	Email	John Wojcikiewicz, EDR, NYS Department of Health (NYSDOH)	Obtain information pertaining to groundwater wells and other groundwater resources within the project area	NYSDOH provided a written response dated 5/15/15 stating they have no records pertaining to ground water that are responsive to the FOIA request, and suggested contacting the Chautauqua County Department of Health	None at present	Consultation with the Chautauqua County Department of Health regarding groundwater wells and/or other groundwater resources
4/17/2015	Chautauqua Co. Public Facilities Office/Division of Transportation	Bill Spencer, George Spanos, Director of Transportation and Public Facilities	Met with Director of Transportation and Public Facilities to discuss project and County present or planned road construction projects and other facilities that may be implemented by the project	Continued contact with Mr. Spanos. No major projects and future plans identified that would be significantly impacted by the project	Requested we reach out to Dunkirk and Jamestown airport manager	Schedule Meeting with William Tucker, Airport Manager – meeting scheduled for May 14, 2015
4/17/2015	Email	EDR, DPS and DEC Representatives	Agenda and summary of topics for meeting with DPS and DEC on 4/21/2015	Cover agenda and topics at meeting	None at present	

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4/21/2105	NYS DPS Office in Albany, NY	See attached sign-in sheet	Discuss general topics associated with preparation of the PSS	1) Send updated avian and bat studies to Brianna Gary 2) Schedule a follow-up meeting or conference call to discuss specific requirements of Article 10 exhibits 21, 22, 23 3) Contact DEC once next site field work visit is scheduled		Avian and bat survey report sent to Brianna Gary on 4/22/2015
4/22/2105	Email	EverPower, USFWS, NYSDEC	Provide report of avian and bat surveys conducted by Stantec in 2013 and 2014	Requested USFWS and DEC to contact EverPower if they have any questions on the report	None at present	
4/22/2015	Phone conference	Bill Spencer, Bill Young, Cherry Creek Town Supervisor, Kevin Okerlund, Cherry Creek Code Enforcement Officer, EDR representatives	Phone conference to assist Cherry Creek with info gathering re: local regulations that may apply to Wind project	Town to research all regulations in addition to Wind Ordinance	Explanation of how local laws are considered in Article 10 and explanation of need to comply with substance of local ordinances	Town Code Enforcement Officer and Town secretary will forward any relevant information
4/23/2015	Phone call	Ken Bochman, Charlotte Town Supervisor requested assistance in visiting a wind farm	Town board members requesting a visit to Howard Wind Farm	Contacted Operations Manager to gain clearance and this was obtained	Supervisor and Plant Manager to coordinate visit week of 4/27/2015	
4/27/2015	Meeting at Chautauqua Co. Chamber of Commerce	Met with Todd Trantum, President	Discussed project economics and potential impacts to the County.	Request continued information exchange as needed	Chamber appreciated the information.	Continue to provide updates as they occur
5/4/2015	Email	Ben Brazell, EDR, NYSDEC Region 9 representatives	Early outreach to indicate field studies (streams, wetlands, ecological) will soon be initiating, and the potential for a meeting to	Schedule a meeting with the appropriate NYSDEC regional personnel	The NYSDEC Region 9 Acting Wildlife Manager responded with contact information for additional relevant	Continue to coordinate with appropriate NYSDEC personnel

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			discuss the various field efforts		personnel	
5/5/2015	Phone call	Lisa Young, EDR, Mark Geise, Deputy Director of the Chautauqua County Department of Planning & Economic Development	Conversation regarding potential visually sensitive resources as a follow up to the 4/1/15 visual outreach letter sent to multiple parties	Incorporate potential visually sensitive resources identified in project-specific inventory being developed and maintained by EDR		
5/6/2015	Email	Patrick Heaton, EDR, Diane Carter, NYS OPRHP	Email response to NYS Parks inquiry to see the results of the preliminary visual analysis to examine any potential visibility from state parks	Provide additional information on preliminary visual assessment if needed	NYS OPRHP stated that they concur with the proposed analysis regarding State Parks and have no further comments until review of the Article 10 application	Continue coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office regarding cultural resource impacts
5/7/2015	Letter	Bill Spencer, Steve Sample of DoD Siting Clearinghouse	Response to EverPower's open house notification letter requesting EverPower contact Frederick Shepherd, Chief of the NORAD Radar Interference Branch to discuss the proposed project	EverPower to contact Chief of NORAD Radar Interference Branch	EverPower contacted NORAD and resolved confusion that wind project had already been submitted to the FAA and thus already reviewed by NORAD. NORAD provided email response that it had no issues with the project at this time	Contact NORAD should project details change
5/13/2015	Charlotte Town Hall	Seth Wilmore, Bill Spencer, Charlotte Town Board, Charlotte Road Supervisor, Local residents	Provide education to the Board and public on Article 10 Information requests by EDR and Project overview; respond to list of questions regarding process and	EverPower to continue to provide support to Board as needed	Board thanked us for the presentation and appreciated us taking the time to educate them on Article 10 and responding to all their	Continue to attend meetings

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			actions required by Town		questions. Had no further questions for now.	
5/14/2015	Jamestown Airport	Bill Spencer, Seth Wilmore, Bill Tucker, Jamestown and Dunkirk Airport Manager	Provide information on the Project and Article 10 process; discuss details of airport and public use, discuss setback from airport to turbines. Bill Tucker is also the manager of County parks; discussed potential crossing of County parks and trail with wind project facilities.	EverPower to provide distance of project to each airport – This information was provided May 21 st to Bill Tucker through email. Bill responded appreciating the information and EverPower's inclusion of potential impacts to airport resources in the planning process	Airport manager appreciated early coordination regarding airport and County parks/trails	Attend future meetings of Airports and Parks
5/20/2015	Conference Call	Representatives from the NYSDPS, NYSDEC, EverPower, Young Sommer, and EDR	Conference call to discuss specific items related to requirements of Exhibits 21, 22, and 23 of the Article 10 regulations, as a follow up to the meeting on 4/21/2105. Discuss other general topics associated with the preparation of a PSS and Article 10 Application	Send avian and bat study report to Andy Davis	None at present	Avian and bat survey report sent to Andy Davis on May 21, 2015
6/1/15	Online Consultation	Pat Heaton and Grant Johnson, EDR; State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)	Initiated online consultation process through the SHPO's Cultural Resources Information System (CRIS); Cassadaga Wind Project assigned CRIS Project Number 15PR02730	Continued consultation	None at present	Continued consultation

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6/2/2015	Town of Charlotte Highway Dept.	Bill Spencer, Mark Lebaron, Town Highway Superintendent	Discussed process for Road use agreement and input from Town for the process.	Continue to discuss Project process as new developments occur	No major upcoming road projects noted	Continued contact at Town meetings
6/9/2015	Town of Cherry Creek Highway Dept.	Bill Spencer, Ken Chase Town Highway Superintendent	Discussed process for Road use agreement and Town input in the process	Continue to discuss project process as new developments occur	Town would like earliest possible notice of when construction would commence as they would like to adjust their maintenance program. No major upcoming road projects noted	Continued contact at Town Meetings
6/9/2015	Town of Arkwright Highway Dept.	Bill Spencer, Steve Mead, Town Highway Superintendent	Discussed process for Road use agreement and Town input in the process	Continue to discuss project process as new developments occur	Steve mentioned that he had poor experience with project being developed by another Company in the Town. No major upcoming road projects noted	Continued contact at Town Meetings
6/12/2015	Letter	John Wojcikiewicz, EDR; Vivian Levin, Freedom of Information Coordinator, NYSDEC Division of Environmental Permits	Response to EDR's FOIL request dated April 17, 2015 regarding groundwater well and other groundwater resources	The letter indicates that the Division of Environmental Permits does not maintain records responsive to the FOIL request	None	None at present
6/17/2015	Letter	John Wojcikiewicz, EDR; Denise Buckingham, Chautauqua County Department of Law	Response to EDR's FOIL request dated June 20, 2015 for information pertaining to public or private groundwater wells and groundwater resources	The Department of Law indicates that it will have any documents pertaining to the FOIL request on or before July 9, 2015	None	None at present
6/22/2015	Town of Stockton Highway Department	Bill Spencer, Aaron Burnett, Highway Supervisor	Update Road Supervisor on Project status and discuss any upcoming road projects	Continue to discuss project process as new developments occur	No major upcoming road projects noted	Continue contact at Town Meetings

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6/22/2015	Sinclairville Fire Department	Bill Spencer, Myron Lanphere, Fire Company President	Discuss role of Fire Department as first responders	Meet with full Fire company on July 13th	Company interested in support and training	Meet on 7/13/15
6/24/15	Online Consultation	Pat Heaton and Grant Johnson, EDR; Daria Merwin and Nancy Herter, SHPO	Consolidated response from SHPO requesting additional information to advance their evaluation of the Project's effect on historic and archaeological resources	EDR to prepare and submit work plans for historic and archaeological resources	None	Continued consultation
6/28/2015	Cherry Creek Community Park – Independence Day Festival	Local residents	EverPower Sponsored a band performing at the Festival to help advance project name recognition and visibility.	Continue to work with communities to find local events to sponsor and support	None	None at present
7/6/2015	Letter	John Wojcikiewicz, EDR; Denise Buckingham, Chautauqua County Department of Law	Response to EDR's FOIL request dated June 10, 2015. Chautauqua County provided eleven pages of information on public or private groundwater wells and other groundwater resources	None at present	None	None at present
7/6/2015	Stockton Fire Department	Bill Spencer, Members of the Fire Department	Discussed Project and how fire department and first responders will interact during both construction and operations	None at present	Fire department member suggested that access roads have distance to WTG marked	None at present
7/7/2015	Chautauqua Co. Department of Economic Development	Mark Geise, Deputy Director, Pat Gooch, Planner, Don McCord, Bill Spencer	Reviewed Project with respect to snowmobile trails. Asked for info on Equestrian Trails which they will supply.	Continue work with Pat on minimizing potential impact on their facilities. Economic Development office wants to work to avoid and minimize impact to snowmobile trails. Does not want to	Very supportive. Suggested a meeting with Equestrian Groups. Will exchange GIS info with project.	Ongoing work with Pat Gooch regarding siting Project components

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				see snowmobile trails significantly impacted		
7/7/2015	Cassadaga Fire Department	Bill Spencer, Members of Fire Department.	Discussed First responders role during construction and operations	None	The fire department appreciated the outreach	None at Present
7/10/2015	Online consultation	Pat Heaton and Grant Johnson, EDR	In response to previous SHPO consultation, filed copy of the Phase 1A Historic Architectural Resources Survey & Work Plan	None	None	Implementation of work plan
7/20/2015	Sinclairville Fire Dept.	Bill Spencer, Members of the Fire Department	Discussed First Responders role during construction and operations	Explore legal issues surrounding handover of patients when First responders are not the first contact	Members had concerns about liability issues during rescue operations	Discuss with Kevin Wigell, EverPower's operations regional manager on how liability issues are handled
7/21/2015	Cherry Creek Fire Dept.	Bill Spencer, Members of Fire Department	Discussed the role of First Responders during construction and operations	None	The fire department appreciated the outreach	None at present