## STATE OF NEW YORK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 18-T-0202 - Application of Eight Point Wind, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article VII to Construct and Operate a 16.5 mile 115 kV Transmission Line.

> NOTICE OF INFORMATION FORUMS AND PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARINGS

(Issued January 25, 2019)

Public comment is sought on a request by Eight Point Wind, LLC (Eight Point Wind), to construct and operate a new overhead, 115 kV interconnection transmission line (the Project or Transmission Line). The Project would begin at a new, proposed collection substation in Greenwood, New York, and would travel approximately 16.5 miles to interconnect with the facilities located in New York State Electric and Gas Corporation's (NYSEG) existing 115 kV Bennett substation in Hornellsville, New York. The proposed transmission line will require installation of steel monopoles, steel 3-pole structures, wood H-frame, and wood 3-pole structures at 143 locations along the proposed route. If the request is granted, Eight Point Wind would be authorized to construct, operate and maintain the new, approximately 16.5-mile long transmission line. The new collection substation in Greenwood, where this Project would begin, is being reviewed and would have to be approved by the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (Siting Board) in a separate proceeding (Case 16-F-0062).

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that opportunities for public information and comment regarding Eight Point Wind's request will be provided as follows:

- Date: Wednesday, February 27, 2019
- Location: Hornell City Hall Courtroom 82 Main Street Hornell, New York 14843
- Times: 2:30 PM and 6:30 PM Information Forums 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM - Public Statement Hearings

During the information forums, maps will be available for review, New York State Department of Public Service Staff representatives will give a brief presentation on the review process in this case, and Eight Point Wind's representatives will be available to answer questions about its proposal. The public is welcome to stop in at any time during the information forums to review information and ask questions.

Each information forum will be followed by a public statement hearing where all those wishing to comment on Eight Point Wind's transmission line proposal will have an opportunity to make a statement on the record before an Administrative Law Judge. It is not necessary to make an appointment in advance or to present written material to speak at the hearing. Persons will be called to speak after completing a request card. Each public statement hearing will be held open until everyone wishing to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements have been made to include their comments in the record. A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be made for inclusion in the record of this proceeding.

Persons with disabilities 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

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encouraged to call the Commission at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this notice.

## 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 comment about this case to the Commission. Comments should refer to "Case 18-T-0202 - Eight Point Transmission Line Project, Article VII."

Internet or Mail: Go to www.dps.ny.gov, click on "Search," enter the case number (18-T-0202), and then click on "Post Comments" at the top of the page; or send comments to the Secretary to the Commission at <u>secretary@dps.ny.gov</u>. Alternatively, comments may be mailed or delivered to Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350.

Toll-Free Opinion Line: You may call the Commission's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This number is set up to take comments about pending cases from in-State callers, 24 hours a day. These comments are not transcribed verbatim, but a summary is provided to the Commission.

Comments submitted via these alternate means will be accepted throughout the pendency of this proceeding, but they are requested by **March 6, 2019**. Comments will become part of the record considered by the Commission. Written comments may be viewed at <u>www.dps.ny.gov</u> (search using the case number (18-T-0202) and click on the "Public Comments" tab). Many libraries offer free Internet access.

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The application also may be viewed at the town halls in Greenwood, Hartsville, and Hornellsville.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS Secretary