

NEW YORK STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC  
GENERATION SITING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

CASE 17-F-0617 - Application of Hecate Energy Albany 1 LLC and Hecate Energy Albany 2 LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 for Construction of the Coeymans Solar Farm Project in the Town of Coeymans, Albany County.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARING

(Issued January 30, 2020)

On June 7, 2019, Hecate Energy Albany 1 LLC and Hecate Energy Albany 2 LLC (Hecate Albany), wholly owned subsidiaries of Hecate Energy LLC, filed an application seeking authority to build and operate the Coeymans Solar Farm, a commercial-scale solar photovoltaic electric generating facility in the Town of Coeymans, Albany County (the Project). The Project would consist of arrays of ground-mounted photovoltaic solar panels installed on a 436-acre site, with a total Project capacity of 40 megawatts. The proposed Project site is located between United States (US) Route 9W and Albany County Route (CR) 101. Points of interconnection with the electric grid would be to existing National Grid 115 kilovolt transmission lines that cross the southern portion of the Project site.

On January 22, 2020, the Chair of the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (Siting Board) determined that the Hecate Albany's application complies with the Siting Board's filing requirements.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that opportunities for public education and comment will be provided in this case as follows:

Date: **February 18, 2020**

Location: **Town of Coeymans  
Town Hall  
18 Russell Avenue  
Ravena, New York 12143**

**Informational Forums**

**Afternoon: 2:00 p.m.**

**Evening: 5:00 p.m.**

**Public Statement Hearings:**

**Afternoon: 3:00 p.m.**

**Evening: 6:00 p.m.**

At the Informational Forums, the Examiners will provide an overview of the Siting Board's certification process and the Developer will present a brief summary of the proposed project. A map of the proposed project area will be 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 Public Statement Hearings, 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 on the record. Reasonable time limits may be set for each speaker as necessary to afford all attendees an opportunity to be heard. Lengthy comments may be submitted in writing and summarized for oral presentation. A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be made for inclusion in the record of this case.

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 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://www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard>), by following the link to "Projects Under Review," on the left side of the page. Many libraries offer free Internet service.

#### **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 17-F-0617." Comments will be accepted throughout the pendency of this proceeding.

**Internet or Mail:** Go to the Department of Public Service website, [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov), click on "Search" at the top of the page, enter "17-F-0617" into the "Search by Case Number" field, then click on the "Post Comments" box at the top right of the page. Alternatively, comments may be emailed to the Hon. Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary, at [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov), or may be mailed or delivered to Secretary Phillips, 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 may 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 call 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 but a summary is provided to the presiding Examiners, who will report to the Siting Board.

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MICHELLE L. PHILLIPS  
Secretary