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Public Comment Hearing Set Regarding Livingston County Solar Farm

ALBANY —The New York State Department of Public Service announced the Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Electric Transmission (ORES) will hold an in-person public comment hearing on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at York Town Hall in York, Livingston County, to receive comments on the application and draft permit for White Creek Solar, a proposed 135MW solar farm in the towns of Leicester and York, Livingston County.

The applicant filed an application with ORES on December 7, 2023, and a notice of complete application was issued on July 15, 2024, with draft permit conditions published by ORES on September 13, 2024 (see https://dps.ny.gov/ores-permit-applications, click on Project Permit Application Number **23-00059**).

DATE: Wednesday, November 13, 2024

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

LOCATION:

York Town Hall 2668 Main St. York, NY 14592

All persons, organizations, corporations, or government agencies who may be affected by the facility are invited to attend the hearing and comment on the application and the draft permit conditions. Lengthy comments should be summarized and submitted in writing, with equal weight being given to both oral and written comments. To ensure that all interested persons have an opportunity to speak, the Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) **may limit the time available for oral comments to three (3) minutes per person.**

The public comment hearing will be transcribed for inclusion in the administrative record.

Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations should call the Department of Public Service's Human Resource 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 (800) 342-3377 for free language assistance services.

Written Comments

For those who cannot attend or prefer not to comment at the public statement hearing, there are alternate ways to provide comments.

Written comments may be emailed to ORES at ores.hearings@dps.ny.gov or mailed to the Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Electric Transmission, Empire State Plaza, P-1 South, J Dock, Albany, NY 12242. Written comments will be considered equally with all oral statements delivered at the public comment hearing, provided they are postmarked by Friday, November 15, 2024. Comments may also be posted on the ORES portal by 5:00 p.m. on that same date (see https://dps.ny.gov/ores-permit-applications, click on Project Permit Application Number 23-00059, click on "Public Comments" and then "Submit Comment").

Document Availability

Copies of all application materials and draft permit conditions are available for inspection at the ORES Albany office during normal business hours: Contact the **Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Electric Transmission**, W.A. Harriman Campus, Building 9, 4th Floor, 1220 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12227, or (518) 473-4590 and ores.hearings@dps.ny.gov. Electronic copies are available at https://dps.ny.gov/ores-permit-applications; click on Project Permit Application Number 23-00059.

Copies of all application materials are also available at:

Town of Leicester

Attn: Amy Neumann Town Clerk Leicester Town Hall 132 Main St. Leicester, NY 14481-0197

Town of York

Attn: Christine Harris Town Clerk York Town Hall 2668 Main Street York, NY 14592, and

Mount Morris Library Attn: Fernanda Astiz Director 121 Main Street Mount Morris, NY 14510