

NEW YORK STATE BOARD ON ELECTRIC  
GENERATION SITING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

CASE 18-F-0440 - Application of EDF Renewables Development, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article 10 for Construction of the Morris Ridge Solar Project Approximately 175-Megawatt Solar Powered Energy Facility Located in the Town of Mount Morris, Livingston County.

NOTICE OF FILING OF A PRELIMINARY SCOPING STATEMENT  
AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS

(Issued April 2, 2019)

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that, on April 1, 2019, Morris Ridge Solar Energy Center, LLC (Morris Ridge), an indirect subsidiary of EDF Renewables, Inc., filed a Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS) in connection with a proposal to construct the Morris Ridge Solar Energy Center Project (the Project), a solar energy facility that would generate up to 177 megawatts, to be located on approximately 1,350 acres of leased private, primarily agricultural, land in the Town of Mount Morris, Livingston County, New York. The Project would include solar photovoltaic generating panels, access roads, medium voltage transformers, inverters, a medium voltage collection system, a substation, a point of interconnection switchyard, a temporary laydown area and possibly an Operations and Maintenance building. The facility will interconnect with the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation's existing 230 kilovolt South Perry - Meyers transmission line.

Before any entity can construct a major generating facility such as this one, it must first obtain approval from the New York State Board on Electric Generating Siting and the Environment (the Siting Board), pursuant to Article 10 of the Public Service Law. Such approval would take the form of a

Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need. Prior to filing an application for such a Certificate, an entity must first file a PSS with the Siting Board, which initiates a preliminary scoping phase of the proceeding. The preliminary scoping phase will determine the nature and scope of the studies Morris Ridge must undertake to develop the information that must be included in its formal application for a Certificate. In general, such studies will identify and evaluate the potential impacts of a project on the environment, public health, and other public interest factors. State agencies and other interested persons are encouraged to engage in discussions with the project developer during this phase to reach agreements, called stipulations, regarding the details of these studies. Additional information about the Article 10 siting process and the preliminary scoping phase is available at the Siting Board's website, <http://www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard>.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that any person, agency or municipality may submit comments on the Preliminary Scoping Statement by filing them with the Siting Board and serving them on Morris Ridge, as described below. Under the Siting Board's regulations, 16 NYCRR 1000.5(g), comments must be filed within 21 days after the filing of the PSS. **Therefore, all comments on the Preliminary Scoping Statement must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on April 22, 2019.**

Morris Ridge is required to file with the Siting Board a summary of and reply to all comments timely filed on the Preliminary Scoping Statement within 21 days of the close of the comment period. 16 NYCRR 1000.5(g). **Morris Ridge's summary of and reply to comments must be filed by 4:30 p.m. on May 13, 2019.**

Comments may be filed electronically by visiting the Department of Public Service website at [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov). Use the

"Search by Case Number" function by entering Case 18-F-0440. Click on the "Post Comments" button in the upper part of the screen. Fill in the form to post your comments. The comments must also be copied and served as indicated below.

Alternatively, comments may be filed via email with the Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary of the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment, at [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov), or by mail or delivery to Secretary Burgess at New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. Comments must refer to "Case 18-F-0440 - Morris Ridge Solar Project."

All comments must be served on Morris Ridge's designated representative, Kevin Campbell, Development Manager, Morris Ridge Solar Energy Center, LLC, 195 Montague Street, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201; Email: [NewYorkSolar@edf-re.com](mailto:NewYorkSolar@edf-re.com)

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS  
Secretary