

STATE OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE
OFFICE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SITING
AND ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF IN-PERSON PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING, AND
SCHEDULING OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING

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ORES DMM Matter No.: 23-03029

Facility Description: Applicant applied to the New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Electric Transmission (Office of ORES) for a permit pursuant to Public Service Law article VIII to construct and operate a 107.5-megawatt (MW) wind energy facility known as the Altona Wind Repowering Project located in the Town of Altona, Clinton County. The repowered facility would consist of new wind turbines, access roads, buried electric collection lines, collection substation facility improvements, temporary laydown and parking, permanent meteorological towers, and an aircraft detection lighting system tower. The repowered facility would reuse other existing aboveground components, including overhead collection lines, access roads, an operations and maintenance building, a 34.5-kilovolt (kV) to 230 kV collection substation, and a point of interconnection switchyard station owned by the New York Power Authority.

Applicant filed the application with the Office on March 7, 2025. A notice of complete application was issued on October 6, 2025 (see <https://dps.ny.gov/ores-permit-applications>, click on Project Permit Application Number 23-03029).

ORES staff published draft permit conditions on November 25, 2025. The draft permit conditions may be accessed at <https://dps.ny.gov/ores-permit-applications>, click on Project Permit Application Number 23-03029.

On November 25, 2025, the Office of Hearings and Alternative Dispute Resolution issued a combined notice of availability of draft permit conditions, public comment period and public comment hearing, and commencement of issues determination procedure (Combined Notice). The Combined Notice scheduled a public comment hearing for Tuesday, January 27, 2026, at 6:00 PM to be held at the Altona Fire Hall, 480 Devils Den Road, Altona, NY 12910. The Combined Notice also established a deadline of Friday, January 30, 2026, for the filing of written public comments and other deadlines for the issues determination procedure. The Combined Notice and instructions on how to file written public comments and participate in the issues determination procedure may be accessed at <https://dps.ny.gov/ores-permit-applications>, click on Project Permit Application Number 23-03029, Item No. 71.

Public Comment Hearing: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT due to the snow emergency, the in-person public comment hearing scheduled for January 27, 2026, **has been cancelled.**

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT a virtual public comment hearings pursuant to 16 NYCRR part 1100 to hear and receive unsworn comments from the public will be held before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) on **Thursday, January 29, 2026, at 6:00 PM. The hearing is being conducted electronically through the Webex electronic webinar platform and by telephone.**

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. Instructions on how to attend the hearing electronically or by telephone are provided below. Lengthy comments will not be accepted and instead should be submitted in writing. Equal weight will be given to both oral and written comments. To ensure that all interested persons have an opportunity to speak, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) 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.

Instructions for Attending the Virtual Public Comment Hearings:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a **virtual public comment hearing** will be held before the assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) on:

DATE:	Thursday, January 29, 2026
TIME:	6:00 P.M.
Electronic Access:	meetny-gov.webex.com
Event Number:	2824 907 5705
Password:	Jan29-6pm
Phone-Only Access:	1-929-251-9612
Access Code:	2824 907 5705
Password:	52629067

Any person wishing to provide a public statement on the record during the virtual public statement hearings must register to do so by 12 noon on Thursday, January 29, 2026, in accordance with the instructions set forth below.

To register and provide a statement electronically:

This option is for participants who would like to provide a statement and who will log in to a hearing electronically. Participants must register by the date indicated above by visiting the Department website at <https://dps.ny.gov/calendar>, clicking on the “View DPS Calendar Listings” button under “Calendars” section, scrolling to and clicking on the Valcour Altona NewCo, LLC (Altona Wind Repowering Project) Virtual Public Comment Hearing, clicking the “Register” button, and providing all requested information. After registration is complete, registrants will receive a confirmation email with instructions on how to join the hearing.

On the day of the hearing, when logging in to participate in the virtual hearing on the appropriate date and time, participants will be asked to “select audio system.” It is recommended that participants opt to have the system “call me” or “call using computer.” The “call me” option will require that participants enter their phone numbers.

To register and provide a statement by phone:

This option is for participants who are not able to log in to a virtual public comment hearing electronically. Call-in participants wishing to make a statement at a virtual public comment hearing must register to do so by the date indicated above by calling 1-800-342-3330, following the prompts to the appropriate hearing, and then providing the following information: first name and last name, address, and phone number.

On the day and time of the virtual public statement hearing, call-in registrants must dial 1-929-251-9612 and enter the access code and phone-in password listed above.

All participants will be muted upon entry into the virtual public comment hearing. The ALJ will call upon each person who has registered to make a statement and will continue each hearing until everyone who has registered to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements to submit comments into the record have been made. Reasonable time limits may be set for each speaker as necessary to afford all attendees an opportunity to be heard. It is recommended that lengthy comments be submitted in writing and summarized for oral presentation. A verbatim transcript of each public comment hearing will be made for inclusion in the record of these proceedings.

To listen to the hearings without making a statement:

Any interested person may listen to the hearing by calling 1-929-251-9612 and entering the appropriate access code and phone-in password listed above.

Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations should call the Department's Human Resources Management Office at 1-518-473-9463 as soon as possible. TDD users may request a sign language interpreter by placing a call through the New York Relay Service at 711. Persons with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Department at 1-800-342-3377 or email languageaccess@dps.ny.gov for free language assistance services regarding this Notice. To request a translator or sign language interpreter so that you can participate at a specific public statement hearing, please contact the Department at least 2 days before the hearing by calling 1-800-342-3377 or emailing your request to languageaccess@dps.ny.gov.

James T. McClymonds
Chief Administrative Law Judge

January 23, 2026
Albany, New York