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Siting Board Makes Modifications to Large Wind Farm Project

340 MW Clean Energy Facility in Allegany, Cattaraugus, and Wyoming Counties Will Produce Enough Electricity to Power 134,000 Average-Sized Homes Per Year

Project Represents Major Local Investment Which Will Increase Local Taxable Property Base

ALBANY — The New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (Siting Board) today granted Alle-Catt Wind Energy LLC (Alle-Catt), developer of a 340-megawatt clean energy wind farm in Allegany, Cattaraugus, and Wyoming counties, permission to modify its previously granted siting permit related to the building of the large wind farm including the location of turbines to be built, along with several other improvements. The Alle-Catt wind farm and other wind and solar projects currently under development are vital to meet the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act's (CLCPA) aggressive carbon reduction and clean energy targets.

"In keeping with Governor Kathy Hochul's ambitious goals for carbon reduction and for a clean energy economy, we must continue to develop the clean energy resources in New York State needed to help all New Yorkers," **said Siting Board Chair Rory M. Christian.** "Our actions today regarding the Alle-Catt wind farm will help reduce our dependence on fossil fuels and demonstrates that renewable energy works in New York and helps move us toward a clean energy future."

As a result of today's decisions, the 340-MW Alle-Catt wind project, when fully operational, will now consist of up to 83 wind turbines, down from 116 wind turbines, with associated underground collection system and substation and related infrastructure in the towns of Arcade (10 turbines), Centerville (24 turbines), Farmersville (14 turbines), Freedom (27 turbines), and Rushford (8 turbines) in the counties of Allegany, Cattaraugus, and Wyoming.

In addition to reducing the number of turbines, Alle-Catt Wind is also permitted to install new facility components to reduce impacts, including new aircraft detection systems radar and other warning devices to reduce bird impacts.

Alle-Catt continues to be required to demonstrate compliance with conditions imposed by the Siting Board when it certified the facility, including noise-related and shadow-flicker requirements. The Siting Board also waived requirements of the local laws concerning setbacks of certain additional structures to be installed in the Towns of Freedom and Farmersville. The Alle-Catt project won initial Siting Board approval in mid-2020.

The facility is located on approximately 30,000 acres of privately leased land and will enable landowners to continue with existing land uses. The project provides economic benefits by creating direct jobs, generates revenues for local governments through payments in lieu of taxes agreements, and provides revenues for participating landowners through lease and other agreements.

Alle-Catt estimates that the project represents a major local investment, which will result in a significant increase to the local taxable property base.

Today's decision may be obtained by going to the Siting Board documents section of the Department of Public Service's Web site at www.dps.ny.gov and entering Case Number 17-F-0282 in the input box labeled "Search for Case/Matter Number". Many libraries offer free Internet access. Documents may also be obtained from the Department's Files Office, 14th floor, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223 (518-474-2500). If you have difficulty understanding English, please call us at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this press release.