

Mill Point Solar I Project

Montgomery County, New York

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE AN APPLICATION

ConnectGen Montgomery County LLC (“ConnectGen” or “the Applicant”) is proposing to construct the Mill Point Solar I Project (“the Project”), a proposed 250-megawatt (MW) solar-powered major electric generating facility proposed to be located in the Town of Glen, Montgomery County, New York. This notice announces that on or around January 25, 2024, ConnectGen will file an Application with the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (“ORES”), pursuant to Section 94-c of the New York State Executive Law (“the 94-c Process”), seeking a Siting Permit from ORES authorizing the construction and operation of the Project. The 94-c Process has been implemented by rules enacted by ORES and establishes a review process with uniform standards and conditions for all renewable energy projects. The uniform standards and conditions are available at 19 NYCRR 900.6 and www.ores.ny.gov/regulations.

The Project will be constructed wholly in the Town of Glen. It will consist of rows of photovoltaic panels, arranged in discrete subarrays dispersed throughout the facility site, as well as associated electrical collection lines, inverters, transformers, fencing, access roads, temporary construction laydown yards, visual mitigation buffers, and an operation and maintenance building. The medium voltage collection system will aggregate the 34.5 kilovolt (kV) output from the co-located inverters and transformers and deliver it to a new collection substation and switching station at the point of interconnection located immediately north of National Grid’s existing Marcy to New Scotland 345 kV transmission line, where it intersects Ingersoll Road.

The Project is a zero-emission solar energy facility that will assist the State in meeting the goals of the Climate Leadership and Protection Act and State Energy Plan, which includes obtaining 70% of energy generation from renewable sources by 2030 and significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Other positive impacts of the Project include diversification of energy supplies, new employment opportunities (both temporary construction employment and full-time jobs), and increased revenues to the Town of Glen, Montgomery County, local school districts, and the local hospitality industry, payments to participating landowners, and purchase of local supplies and goods. In addition, ConnectGen has attempted to minimize impacts associated with the Project, for example, by limiting the disturbance to forested lands and wetlands to the maximum extent practicable. ConnectGen will submit an Application that includes extensive studies evaluating the potential impacts associated with the Project and identifies methods which have been agreed to be implemented to avoid, minimize, and mitigate potential impacts. This notice is being provided in accordance with 19 NYCRR 900-1.3(d) and is being published at least 3 days prior to the filing of the Application.

Pursuant to 19 NYCRR 900-5, ConnectGen will submit with the Application \$1,000 dollars for each MW of capacity for local agencies and potential community intervenors, which for this project totals \$250,000. Any local agency or potential community intervenor can submit a request to the Office for funding within thirty (30) days of the date of the application filing. 75% of the local agency account funds shall be reserved for local agencies. The form for submitting intervenor requests is available on the ORES website at https://ores.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2023/10/laaf_request_form-10-1-2023.pdf. Intervenor requests may be sent by mail to the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES), Attention: Request for Local Agency Account Funding (Matter No. 23-00034), c/o: OGS Mailroom, Empire State Plaza, 240 State Street, P-1 South, J Dock, Albany, NY 12242, or by email to hearings@ores.ny.gov.

Further details regarding the Project and updates on the Application will be provided on <https://www.millpointsolari.com/>. To get in touch with a member of the Project team, contact us at:

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Copies of the Application, when filed, will be available for review at the following local document repositories: Glen Town Hall, 7 Erie Street, Fultonville, NY 12072, and the Frothingham Free Library, 28 West Main Street, Fonda, NY 12068.