

June 17, 2022

**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Hon. Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary  
New York State Public Service Commission  
Three Empire State Plaza  
Albany, NY 12223-1350

**RE: Application of Empire Offshore Wind LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction of Approximately 12 Miles of Transmission Lines from the Boundary of New York State Territorial Waters to a Point of Interconnection in Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York**

**Case: 22-T-0346**

Dear Secretary Phillips:

Empire Offshore Wind LLC (Applicant) hereby transmits an Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to construct, operate, and maintain the portion of the transmission system for the Empire Wind 2 offshore wind generating facility (NY Project) required to interconnect the Applicant's Empire Wind 2 (EW 2) Offshore Wind Generating Facility with a potential capacity of supplying at least 1,260 megawatts (MW) of renewable electricity, to be located within the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) designated Renewable Energy Lease Area OCS-A 0512, to a Point of Interconnection with the New York State Transmission System (POI) located at an expansion of the Barrett 138-kV Substation in Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York (Application).

The Applicant's Project includes:

- (i) Three three-core 230-kV high-voltage alternating-current (HVAC) submarine export cables located within an approximately 7.7-nautical mile (nm, 14.2-km)-long submarine export cable corridor from the boundary of New York State waters 3 nm (5.6 km) offshore to the cable landfall;
- (ii) A cable landfall in the City of Long Beach, New York;
- (iii) Three 230-kV onshore export cable circuits, each with three single-core HVAC onshore export cables within an approximately 1.5-mi (2.4-km)-long onshore export cable corridor from the cable landfall to the onshore substation;

- (iv) An onshore substation in the Village of Island Park, within the Town of Hempstead, New York, which will step up the voltage to 345-kV for the onshore interconnection cables; and
- (v) Up to three 345-kV interconnection cable circuits, each with three single-core HVAC interconnection cables within an approximately 1.7-mi (2.8-km)-long interconnection cable corridor from the onshore substation to the POI.

In accordance with 16 NYCRR §§ 3.5, 85-2.2, and 85-2.8, the Applicant respectfully submits the exhibits supporting its Application, the information required by Public Service Law (PSL) § 122 and Parts 86 and 88 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, and the testimony comprising the Applicant's direct case in support of its Application.

In compliance with PSL § 122(2), the Applicant will submit an Affidavit of Service, showing the people and agencies who were served by the methods indicated on the Service List, including those required by PSL Article VII and 16 NYCRR § 85-2.10, as well as those being provided courtesy copies.

Pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 85.2.10(c), notice of the Application filing was published in a newspaper of general circulation for two consecutive weeks prior to the filing. As explained in the Application, the Applicant has also sent letters to the property owners crossed by the NY Project facilities and abutting property owners, informing them of the filing. Copies of the newspaper notices and a sample property owner letter are also being submitted simultaneously in this filing. The affidavits for the publication of the notice will be filed with the Commission when they are received from the newspapers.

Simultaneously with the filing of this Application and materials, the Applicant is also filing an intervenor fee, in the amount of \$100,000 as required by 16 NYCRR § 85-2.4(a)(3) and PSL § 122(5)(a), under separate cover to the DPS Office of Finance and Budget, in the form of a check made out to NYS Department of Public Service.

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