GATEWAY SOLAR ENERGY CENTER NOTICE OF INTENT FILING OF APPLICATION

Gateway Solar Energy Center, LLC (Gateway) is proposing to construct a 180 megawatt (MW) photovoltaic solar electric generating facility (the Project) in the Towns of Brasher, Massena, and Norfolk, St. Lawrence County, New York under Article VIII of the New York State Public Service Law (PSL). Pursuant to § 900-1.3 of the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) Regulations, Gateway provides notice that, on or about August 23, it intends to file its application (the Application) to ORES for a Permit authorizing construction and operation of the Project. This notice is being provided in accordance with § 900-1.3(d) and is being published at least sixty (60) days prior to the filing of the Application.

The Project will consist of a 180 MW solar energy center located on land owned by Gateway or leased from private property owners. Project components include commercial-scale solar arrays and their rack/support systems, access roads, fencing, inverters, underground electrical collection lines, a collection substation, and a 230-kilovolt switchyard that will be transferred to New York Power Authority (NYPA) to own and operate.

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 carbon-free energy generation by 2040. 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 Towns of Brasher, Massena, and Norfolk and purchase of local supplies and goods. In addition, Gateway has minimized impacts to land associated with the Project by avoiding and limiting the disturbance of forested lands and wetlands to the maximum extent practicable. The Application will include studies evaluating the potential impacts associated with the Project to inform the Application, as well as identify methods to be implemented to avoid, minimize, or mitigate potential impacts.

Additional information on the Project may be obtained by visiting the Project website, available at https://gatewaysolarenergycenter.com, the ORES website, available at https://ores.ny.gov/permit-applications under Matter No. 23-00067, or contacting the Project Representative:

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Pursuant to § 900-5 of the ORES Regulations, in connection with filing the Application, Gateway will submit \$180,000 to the local agency account for available intervenor funding. Any local agency or potential community intervenor can submit a request to ORES for funding within thirty (30) days of the date of the Application filing. At least 75% of the local agency account funds shall be reserved for local agencies. Intervenor requests can be mailed to: the Office of Renewable Energy Siting, Attn: Request for Local Agency Account Funding (Matter No. 23-00067 – Gateway Solar Energy Center, LLC), c/o OGS Mailroom, Empire State Plaza, 240 State Street, P-1 South, J Dock, Albany, NY 12242; or emailed to: hearings@ores.ny.gov, Subject Line: Request for Local Agency Account Funding (No. 23-00067 – Gateway Solar Energy Center, LLC).