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2nd NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**BOWERS WIND PROJECT
CHAMPLIN WIND LLC, DEVELOPMENT PERMIT DP 4889
CARROLL PLANTATION, PENOBSCOT COUNTY
KOSSUTH TOWNSHIP, WASHINGTON COUNTY**

PURPOSE: The Maine Land Use Regulation Commission will hold a public hearing on Development Permit DP 4889 for a wind energy development proposed by Champlain Wind, LLC., to be located in Carroll Plantation, Penobscot County, and Kossuth Township, Washington County. The facility would be located within the expedited permitting area for wind energy development in a General Management Subdistrict (M-GN), with areas of Wetland Protection Subdistrict (P-WL) and Shoreland Protection Subdistrict. The proposed \$136 million development project consists of up to 10 Siemens 3.0 MW turbines and up to 17 Siemens 2.3 MW turbines. The project would also include: access to the turbines utilizing new and existing roads; 34.5 kilovolt (kV) collector lines connecting the turbines; an “express collector” line for 5.2 miles to connect to a new substation adjacent to Line 56 -- an existing 115kV transmission line; an operations and maintenance building; and up to four permanent meteorological towers.

The purpose of the hearing is to allow the applicant, intervenors, interested persons, and the general public the opportunity to present testimony and evidence as to whether the proposal meets the statutory criteria for approval under the applicable provisions of Title 12 and Title 35-A, see generally, 12 M.R.S. §685-B(2-C), §685-B(4), and §685-B(4-B); 35-A M.R.S., §3451, §3452, §3454 and §3455; and under the applicable provisions of the Commission’s Land Use Districts and Standards.

TIME, PLACE and AGENDA: The hearing will be held on Monday and Tuesday, June 27 and June 28, 2011, in the cafeteria of the Ella P. Burr Elementary School, 23 Ella P. Burr Street, Lincoln, Maine 04457, and will be continued on Wednesday, July 6, 2011, at the Spectacular Events Center, 395 Griffin Road, Interstate 95, Exit 184, Bangor, Maine. Other than those portions of the hearing allocated for public testimony (namely 6:00 p.m. on June 27 and 28, 2011 of the hearing), the times set forth below may be adjusted at the discretion of the presiding officer. Because adjustments may be made, any person interested in the site visit is encouraged to contact LURC staff in advance.

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2011	Ella P. Burr Elementary School, 23 Ella P. Burr Street, Lincoln, Maine
9:00am	A Commission site visit to the proposed development area will depart from the Ella P. Burr Elementary School, Lincoln, Maine.
6:00pm	Public Session Opening statement by Presiding Officer LURC Staff statement and administrative history Applicant’s summary of the proposal Public testimony Closing statement of the Presiding Officer
TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2011	Ella P. Burr Elementary School, 23 Ella P. Burr Street, Lincoln, Maine
8:00 am to 12:00pm	Opening statement by Presiding Officer LURC Staff statement and administrative history Parties’ Opening Statements Summary of Applicant’s testimony, Cross-examination of its witnesses, questions by Commission, and redirect

12:00pm to 12:45 pm	Recess for Lunch
12:45 pm to 5:15 pm	Summaries of direct testimony by Intervenors, cross-examination of their witnesses, questions by the Commission, and redirect
6:00pm	Public Session Opening statement by Presiding Officer Staff statement and administrative history Applicant's summary of the proposal Public testimony (Additional written testimony from the public may be submitted until the end of the post-hearing comment period.) Additional summaries and/or cross-examination by the parties may occur as time permits during this evening session. Closing statement of the Presiding Officer [End of Period to receive Oral Public Testimony]

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 2011 Spectacular Events Center, 395 Griffin Road, Interstate 95, Exit 184, Bangor, Maine. [public may attend but no opportunity to present testimony on this date]

9:30am to 12:00pm	Opening statement by Presiding Officer LURC Staff statement and administrative history Cross-examination of agency representatives and consultants, questions by the Commission
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HOW TO PARTICIPATE: All interested persons are invited to attend and offer testimony that has a bearing on this proposal. The public is not required to submit written testimony before the hearing in order to testify. Members of the public may simply attend the hearing and give oral testimony on the evenings of June 27th and 28th. With the exception of the start times for public testimony, the scheduled times listed above may be adjusted by the Chair. Additional written testimony may be submitted before the close of the record. Those submitting written testimony at the hearing may be asked to summarize their prepared written statement for the purpose of allowing enough time for everyone to speak. Hard copies of written testimony should be made available to the Commission at the time of the hearing. The hearing record will remain open for a period of 10 days until 5:00 pm Monday, July 18, 2011 (or as determined by the Presiding Officer) for the purpose of accepting public comment, and will remain open until 5:00 PM on Monday, July 25, 2011 for the purpose of receiving rebuttal comments to those submitted during the previous 10 day period. The record of the hearing will then close. All written comments should be sent to the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, 22 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0022. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to fred.todd@maine.gov by the deadlines noted above.

DISABILITIES: Persons with disabilities planning to attend the hearing are requested to inform the Commission in advance so that arrangements can be made for services they may require.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: A paper copy of Champlain Wind's permit application is available for review by appointment at the LURC Augusta office (207) 287-2631, the LURC East Millinocket regional office (207) 746-2244, the LURC Downeast regional office in Bangor (207) 941-4052, the Carroll Plantation town office at 306 Osgood Road (207) 738-4841, the Lakeville town office at 1337 Bottle Lake Road (207) 738-5047, the Washington County Commissioner's Office at 85 Court St, Machias (207) 255-3127, and the Penobscot County Commissioner's Office at 97 Hammond St., Bangor (207) 942-8535. *Please note that some of these offices are not open full time, so it is important to call ahead to be sure the document will be available for viewing.* A copy of the complete application has been posted on LURC's website: <http://www.maine.gov/doc/lurc/>. Persons having questions may contact Fred Todd at (207-287-8786) or at fred.todd@maine.gov

LEGAL AUTHORITY: The hearing will be held under authority of 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 206-A, and will be conducted in accordance with the Commission's *Rules for the Conduct of Public Hearings*.