



## Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment

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### **POSTPONED: Town of Sharon Solar Farm Public Statement Hearing**

**ALBANY** — Out of an abundance of caution due to public health concerns, the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (Siting Board) today announced that it is postponing, until a future date, the public statement hearing previously scheduled in the Town of Sharon (Schoharie County) to receive comments on the East Point Energy Center, LLC (East Point) proposal to build and operate a 50-megawatt photovoltaic solar electric generating facility in the Town of Sharon, Schoharie County.

The Public Statement Hearing was originally scheduled for March 19, 2020 at the Sharon Springs Firehouse at 5:00 p.m.

The Siting Board will continue to be receiving public comments on the East Point solar project (described below).

#### **Ways to Comment**

There are several ways to provide your comments to the Siting Board. Comments should refer to “Case [17-F-0599](#).”

**Via the Internet or Mail:** The public may enter comments directly into the case file from the Department of Public Service website, [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov), by clicking on "Search" at the top of the page and then entering “17-F-0599” into the “Search by Case Number” field. In the open case, access the screen to enter comments by clicking on the "Post Comments" box at the top right of the page. Comments may also be submitted electronically to the Hon. Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary, at [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov), or by mail or delivery to Secretary Phillips at the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. All written comments will become part of the record considered by the Siting Board and can be read on the website by searching by the case number, as described above, and clicking on the “Public Comments” tab.

**Toll-Free Opinion Line:** Individuals may choose to submit comments by calling the Department of Public Service’s Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This line is set up to receive in-state calls 24-hours a day. These calls are not transcribed but a summary is provided to the presiding Examiners, who will report to the Siting Board.

Governor Cuomo is urging all New Yorkers to stay at home as much as possible and to keep a safe distance of 6 feet from others in public spaces to reduce the spread of Coronavirus. For up to date information, please visit: <https://health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus/>.