

Attachment B. Public Release of Bid Facility Information

Bid Facility Name:	Homer Solar Energy Center
Proposer:	EDF Renewables Development, Inc.
Technology:	Solar PV
Proposed Nameplate Capacity (Megawatts):	90.00
Location (Town/City and County):	Towns of Homer, Cortlandville, and Solon, Cortland County.
NYISO Interconnection Queue Number (if applicable):	276
Interconnecting Utility:	National Grid
NYS PSC Article 10/ORES Case Number (if applicable):	21-00976
Located in Agricultural District?	1
Bid Facility Website (if applicable):	https://www.edf-re.com/project/homer-solar-energy-center/

General Description of Project (250 words or more):

EDF Renewables ('EDFR') has developed, financed, constructed, operated and managed over 16GW of renewable energy projects in North America over the last 30 years. Our recent experience in New York on the 80MW Copenhagen Wind Farm operating in Lewis County and the 177MW Morris Ridge Solar Center contracted and under construction in Livingston County are two examples of EDFR's unparalleled insight into renewable energy development in New York State. EDFR understands and is committed to developing a strong renewable energy project supported by the community. The Proposer is committed to honesty and transparency with all stakeholders. The Homer Solar Energy Center is a 90MW solar project sited on approximately 600 acres of land comprised of multiple private land parcels in the Town of Homer, the Town Cortlandville, and the Town of Solon, within Cortland County in Central New York State. Lands in the project area consist of open agricultural fields, cleared unutilized land, and forested lands. The project's point of interconnection, where the electricity will be delivered to the New York Independent System Operator's (NYISO's) grid, will be a new substation connecting to National Grid's Cortland to Fenner 115kV transmission line. The project will be comprised of about 168,000 solar panels mounted on a tracker system secured to the ground by steel piles. A series of inverters and transformers will condition the electricity generated by the solar panels before it is injected into the grid. The project is expected to provide enough electricity to meet the demand of more than 20,000 New York homes. EDF Renewables has kept the Town of Homer, the Town of Cortlandville, the Town of Solon, and Cortland County well informed of the proposed project, having hosted a litany of public open house meetings, webinars, individual stakeholder meetings and group/board meetings. All of the major environmental and engineering studies were completed for the 94-c Application and the project received the Siting Permit Certificate from ORES on January 9th, 2023. The Homer Solar Energy Center is anticipated to provide significant benefits to host communities, local school districts and Cortland County. Over \$18 million in new direct revenues are estimated during the first 20 years of operation through an increase in property taxes paid by the Project and expected terms within an eventual PILOT agreement with the Cortland County IDA and the Host Community Agreements with the municipalities. More than \$700,000 per year in lease revenue to local landowners will be paid and with the State's new host community electricity benefit, all landowners in the host communities will receive credits on their electricity bills. In addition, more than 150 union jobs are anticipated to be created at the peak of construction, and 2-3 full time positions during the operating life of the Project. New business for the local hospitality, material supply, and service sectors are expected during project construction and operation. EDF Renewables understands the importance of honesty, transparency, and acknowledgement from the local communities. EDFR strives to remain fully transparent and to go above and beyond the minimum requirements throughout the development of their renewable energy projects. As part of this initiative, the Project will fund a 10 year community led donation program by making \$30,000 per year available with our Sharing the Sun program that allows a community chosen committee to distribute the funds at their discretion. Therefore, not only will EDFR make the local communities aware of the proposed project, they will work with the town boards and residents to share in the project, gather input from all stakeholders, be present and available in the host community and remain available and open to communication. EDFR has executed this outreach through town hall meetings, open houses, and distribution of project materials to local officials and residents. Communication with the local communities will remain open and active throughout the development of the project to Commercial Operation, and through the life of the project. EDFR vows to treat landowners, host communities, and stakeholders fairly and equitably. Members of the public are encouraged to contact the EDF Renewables team by email at newyorksolar@edf-re.com or by phone at (833) 333-7369 for more information or to share any feedback.