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February 12, 2016

Taylor Quarles  
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Dear Mr. Quarles,

As requested, the Department of Defense (DoD) Siting Clearinghouse coordinated within DoD an informal review of your company's proposed project. The results of our informal review indicated that the 62 turbine Lighthouse Wind Project located in Somerset and Niagara Counties, New York as proposed, will potentially impact military operations conducted in this area.

I request that you contact Fredrick Shepherd, Chief of the NORAD Radar Interference Branch, at 719-556-3260, to discuss this proposed project. It is my hope that your continued cooperation will help us preserve the operational, training, and testing capabilities of our nation's Armed Forces.

Please note that this informal review by the DoD Siting Clearinghouse does not constitute an action under 49 United States Code Section 44718 and that neither the DoD nor the Secretary of Transportation are bound by the conclusion arrived at under this informal review. Please contact me at [steven.j.sample4.civ@mail.mil](mailto:steven.j.sample4.civ@mail.mil) or at 703-571-0076 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Steven J. Sample  
Chief, Mission Evaluation Branch  
DoD Siting Clearinghouse



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Dear Mr. Quarles,

On February 12, 2016, DoD responded to Apex Clean Energy's request for an Informal Review of the 62-turbine Lighthouse Wind Project located in Somerset and Niagara Counties, New York as proposed. That response stated that the project would potentially impact military operations in the area, and requested that you contact NORAD for further discussion.

I'm sending this update to clarify that the DoD review found the project is unlikely to impact military testing and/or training operations in the area. The request for further discussion originated solely from the potential impact to the NORAD mission.

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