

Blue Sky Wind Farm

Notice of Commencement of a Screening and Open House Event

AIM PowerGen Corporation (AIM) is proposing to develop the **Blue Sky Wind Farm**, a wind energy project having a maximum capacity of 50 MW. The Blue Sky Project is proposed in the context of the Ontario Power Authority's Standard Offer Program. AIM strives to supply clean energy to the Ontario energy system using state-of-the-art wind energy technology. The Blue Sky Wind Farm would install a maximum of 33 wind turbine generators (WTG), access roads and an electrical collecting system.

The Project is located on privately owned agricultural land in Essex County, west of the Town of Essex (see most recent project area shaded grey in map below). The land is currently used strictly for agricultural purposes and will continue to be used for this purpose in conjunction with the wind turbines.

The Project is subject to the Ministry of the Environment's Environmental Screening Process for electricity projects under the guideline: "*Guide to Environmental Assessment Requirements for Electricity Projects* (March 2001)". Under this process, an Environmental Screening Report (ESR) will evaluate the project's effects on the natural and human environment. This Screening Report will also meet Essex County's Official Plan requirements.

Environmental monitoring has already commenced on the site, including an avian and bat monitoring study and AIM is planning to hold an Open House to present background information on the project and wind power in general. The project layout and its location, visual simulations, the status of the ESR, various alternatives being considered and the next steps to be followed will also be presented. This Open House is an opportunity for the local community to get timely information on the projects and raise any issues with AIM. The public will be encouraged to provide its comments throughout the project development phase to ensure that concerns can be adequately addressed.

Open House:

Date: Tuesday March 24, 2009
Location: Canadian Transportation Museum
6155 Arner Townline
County RD. 23 RR#2
Kingsville
Time: 5 pm to 8 pm

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