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DEP Offers Application Assistance for Green Energy Works! Wind Grants
Informational Conference Call Scheduled for Large Wind Energy Project Developers
on Dec. 17

Harrisburg – Potential large-scale wind energy project developers looking for guidance and assistance on how to apply for \$19.8 million in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds are invited to take part in an informational conference call for the Green Energy Works! Wind grant program from 10:30 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Dec. 17.

The Department of Environmental Protection will conduct the call, which will be accessible by dialing 866-469-3239 and entering the access code 21331162.

“DEP staff will discuss and answer questions about the Green Energy Works! Wind program, its application process, and its requirements,” said DEP Secretary John Hanger. “Pennsylvania’s wind industry is one of the fastest growing in the country. With nearly \$20 million available, this grant program has the potential to develop wind projects that will put Pennsylvanians to work and build facilities that will help power our future with clean, renewable energy.

“The competition for federal stimulus dollars is great. We want to ensure that potential developers have the opportunity to submit a complete and thorough application.”

The Green Energy Works! Wind program is open to Pennsylvania projects that combine grant funding with private investments for wind energy systems with a capacity of at least 3 megawatts and that use Pennsylvania goods and services to the greatest extent possible.

Funds may be used to purchase and install equipment for producing wind energy or distributing energy by covering interconnection costs and network upgrades. All proposals must be for a minimum of \$250,000 and may not exceed \$19.8 million.

The deadline for submitting Green Energy Works! Wind applications is 4 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 31. Guidelines and application materials are available at www.recovery.pa.gov. Under the heading “Where is Your Money Going,” click on “Energy Independence.”

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