

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

ENERGY FACILITIES SITING BOARD

<u>NOTICE OF INQUIRY</u> PROCEDURAL ORDER

EFSB 21-01

July 1, 2021

Notice of Inquiry by the Energy Facilities Siting Board into Procedures for Enhancing Public Awareness of and Participation in its Proceedings.

The Energy Facilities Siting Board ("Siting Board") staff shall make the following translation, distribution, publication, and posting of the attached Notice and Notice of Inquiry ("NOI") approved by the Siting Board on June 30, 2021, in EFSB 21-01.

<u>Translation</u>: The Siting Board staff shall translate the Notice and NOI into Spanish and Portuguese.

<u>Distribution</u>: The Siting Board Staff shall serve a copy of the Notice and NOI in English, Spanish, and Portuguese on the following: (1) the Siting Board general distribution list; (2) the municipal contacts list from D.P.U. 21-50; and (3) community organizations list from the Environmental Justice Director of the Executive Officer of Energy and Environmental Affairs. Service may be by electronic distribution, which the Siting Board finds reasonable and consistent with the public interest.

<u>Publication</u>: The Siting Board Staff shall, no later than twenty-eight (28) days prior to **Friday, September 10, 2021**, publish the attached Notice in the following newspapers: (1) either the Boston Globe or the Boston Herald; (2) The Eagle-Tribune; (3) The Lowell Sun; (4) The Republican (formerly The Springfield Union News & Sunday Republican); (5) The Telegram & Gazette; (6) The Sentinel & Enterprise; (7) The Enterprise; (8) The Berkshire Eagle; (9) Greenfield Recorder; (10) Daily Hampshire Gazette; (11) The Patriot Ledger; (12) The Cape Cod Times; (13) the Spanish version in El Mundo; (14) the Spanish version in El Planeta; and (15) the Portuguese version in the Portuguese Times.

<u>Posting</u>: Companies with petitions currently before the Siting Board shall prominently display the Notice and NOI in English, Spanish, and Portuguese on their website from three business days following receipt of the Notice from the Siting Board through the end of the comment period. Municipalities are also encouraged to post the Notice and NOI in English, Spanish, and Portuguese in a prominent location in city or town hall and on a municipality's website. The Siting Board has posted the Notice and NOI on its website at https://mass.gov/how-to/view-efsb-21-01-siting-board-notice-of-inquiry.

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