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**OSTRANDER POINT WIND ENERGY PARK
CONSULTATION REPORT**

Attachment A

Notice of Commencement

Notice of Commencement of a Screening and Environmental Review under the Ontario Environmental Screening Process for Electricity Projects

Ostrander Point Wind Energy Park



Gilead Power Corporation (Gilead) is planning to undertake a Screening and Environmental Review for a proposed wind energy facility (wind energy park) within the ward of South Marysburgh, Prince Edward County, Ontario. If approved, this wind energy park would consist of up to 12 wind turbines (capacity of approximately 20 MW). The project's study area is presented in the map to the left, generally found south of Highway 13, along the Lake Ontario shoreline, and within the Ostrander Point Crown Land Block and Resource Management Area. The Project is subject to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, (Environmental Assessment Act, Electricity Projects Regulation 116/01) Environmental

Screening Process for electricity projects, as set out in its "Guide to Environmental Assessment Requirements for Electricity Projects" (March 2001). The process requires Gilead to undertake a Screening of the Project, and, if appropriate, a more detailed Environmental Review. Prior to the completion of the Screening, Gilead has identified that an Environmental Review is appropriate for this Project, and this notice is intended to meet the Notice of Commencement requirements for both the Screening and Environmental Review.

The Screening and Environmental Review will assess the potential impact of the proposed wind energy park on the biophysical and socio-economic environment during its construction, operation and decommissioning. Gilead has identified several environmental components that will be subject to further research in the Environmental Review, including birds, bats, noise and visual impact.

Public consultation will be an integral component of this study. Public, First Nation, and regulatory consultation will be conducted on an on-going basis to seek input on various components of the study. Dates and locations of these opportunities will be advertised in local newspapers. You are invited to provide comments on the issues to be addressed in the study, and/or to ask to be placed on the project's mailing list.

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