

LUYSTER CREEK ENERGY PROJECT AT THE ASTORIA GENERATION STATION

Progress Report #2 - October 4, 2010

The Astoria Generating Company, L.P. (AGC), a USPowerGen Company, is pleased to provide an update on the Luyster Creek Energy Project (LCEP) located at the Astoria Generating Facility 18-01 20th Ave, Astoria, New York 11105. This progress report provides an overview of key actions and advances achieved on the project since the last progress report.

Community Outreach and Notice of the Informational Meeting and Scoping Meeting

In accordance with the Project's Enhanced Public Participation Plan, AGC provided notice of the Informational Meeting and Scoping Meeting to the Community and Stakeholders using several different methods of communication.

On August 6, 2010 AGC provided notice of the Informational Meeting and Scoping Meeting to the entire stakeholder list via email or regular mail with the first progress report. The notice of meeting was provided in English, Spanish, and Greek.

On August 6, 2010 AGC also posted the notice in multiple languages on the Project website.

Notice of the meeting was published in the eight Editions of the Queens Chronicle on Thursday August 12, 2010, the Queens Edition of the Daily News on Monday August 9, 2010, and the New York Post on August 9, 2010.

Approximately two weeks before the first meeting AGC arranged to have notices in multiple languages placed in store fronts within the community and handed out at the Ditmars Blvd subway station. Local community groups were used to distribute the notices.

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) published notice of the Scoping Meeting in the Environmental News Bulletin and made available the Scoping document on July 14th 2010 on their website.

Informational Meeting Held

On September 13, 2010, AGC held two sessions of an informational meeting for the public at Riccardo's by the Bridge in Astoria. The meetings featured an Open House that included several informational posterboards and the opportunity for the public to meet and ask questions to AGC representatives about the project. Following the open house, an overview of the Company, the project, and summary of the proposed environmental studies was provided. The presentation is available on line at <http://www.uspowergen.com/download/119/>.

The meetings were attended by approximately 10 community members, and elected official and union representatives. Questions and comments regarding particulate matter emissions, construction methods, and emergency resources were made. These questions were answered and will be incorporated into the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS).

Scoping Meeting

On September 20, 2010, The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) held a scoping meeting with two similar sessions for the public at Riccardo's by the Bridge in Astoria. The meeting featured an Open House that included several informational posterboards and the opportunity for the public to meet and ask questions to AGC representatives about the project. An overview of the SEQRA process was presented by DEC and a Project Overview was provided by AGC. The public had an opportunity to comment on the draft Scoping Document, which defines what will be studied in the Environmental Impact Study. The draft scope and more detail on the process can be found at <http://www.uspowergen.com/download/122/>.

There was one speaker that provided comments regarding particulate emissions, construction noise, and emergency services. These comments will be addressed in the scoping process.

A transcript of the meeting will be made available in approximately two weeks.

Members of the public who were not able to attend either meeting can still submit public comments on the Scoping Document until 10/25/10. Written comments can be submitted by to DEC (mail, email or fax)

Send to: Stephen Tomasik, Project Manager
Division of Environmental Permits
NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
625 Broadway, 4th Floor
Albany, New York 12233-1750
Fax: (518) 402-9168
Email: smtomasi@gw.dec.state.ny.us

Continued Stakeholder Outreach

AGC is in the process of scheduling a presentation of the project before Community Board #1 and the public on October 19th at 7PM. The meeting will be held at 25-22 Astoria Boulevard.

Community organizations that wish to discuss any specific aspect of the project are encouraged to reach out to the project team via the hotline 1-888-398-USPG (1-888-398-8774) or by e-mail at LCEP@uspowergen.com.

Project Documents

Public documents are available online at:

- <http://www.dec.ny.gov/permits/66991.html>
- www.uspowergen.com

Hard copies of public documents are available, during normal business hours, at the following locations:

- Queens Community Board 1, 36-01 35th Avenue, Astoria.
- Queens Borough Public Library, 89-11 Merrick Blvd., Jamaica
- Queens Borough Branch Public Library, Astoria Branch, 14-10 Astoria Blvd., Long Island City.
- DEC Region 2, Division of Environmental Permits, 47-40 21st Street, Long Island City.
- DEC Central Office, Divisions of Environmental Permits, 625 Broadway, 4th Floor, Albany.

Additional Questions and Comments

There were no additional questions received during this period.