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Vermont Public Service Department Announces Eighth Meeting of Solar Siting Task Force

Montpelier, Vermont – The eighth meeting of the Solar Siting Task Force will take place on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 from 1 – 4 p.m. in the Giga conference room on the third floor of the Public Service Department, 112 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont. The Solar Siting Task Force was created in [Act 56](#) of the 2014-2015 legislative session. Details on the membership, duties, and timeframe of the Task Force can be found in Act 56, Sec. 26g.

The draft agenda for the January 5, 2016 meeting is listed below. The remaining meetings of the Solar Siting Task Force will occur as follows:

Tuesday, January 12, 2016 from 12:30 – 2:30 PM in the 3rd floor Giga conference room of the Department of Public Service

Solar Siting Task Force January 5, 2016 Draft Meeting Agenda

Topics:

- I. Welcome and Overview of Agenda (5 mins)
 - Commissioner Recchia
- II. Approval of 12/17/15 Minutes (5 mins)
- III. Agricultural Soils and Solar Energy (30 mins)
 - Discussion of Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets Proposals
- IV. Frame Key Issues and Potential Solutions for the Task Force Report (2 hours)
 - Continuation of discussion of key issues and potential recommendations pertaining to the siting, design, and regulatory review of solar electric generation facilities.
- V. Public Comments (20 mins)

VI. Other Business

VII. Wrap Up

All meetings of the Solar Siting Task Force are open to the public.

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