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Kahnawà:ke - July 16, 2014. Kahnawà:ke Sustainable Energies (KSE) is pleased to announce the completion of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report for its wind farm project proposed in Saint-Cyprien-de-Napierville. The study is being presented in person today to Quebec's Ministry of Sustainable Development (*Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques* [MDDELCC]).

Following this presentation, the MDDELCC will distribute the EIA report to various other ministries who will review and evaluate the information. Once the EIA report is deemed complete, the MDDELCC will initiate the public review process through the *Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement* (BAPE), and the EIA report will be made public. After the BAPE process is complete, the government of Quebec will consider all the recommendations and make the final decision regarding approval of the project.

In 2010 KSE's wind farm proposal was selected through Hydro-Quebec's Aboriginal call for tenders. KSE signed a twenty-year electricity supply contract with Hydro Quebec Distribution to deliver a 24 MW wind farm in Saint-Cyprien-de-Napierville by December 2015. Since this time, the company has been taking all the steps required to study and minimize any potential impacts on the local environment and population. KSE also plans to maximize and share project benefits between Kahnawà:ke, the host community, and the surrounding regions. 50-75 jobs are expected to be created during the construction of the wind farm and 2-4 permanent jobs during the operation.

About the company

Kahnawà:ke Sustainable Energies is a subsidiary company of the Kahnawà:ke Economic Development Commission (KEDC) whose goal is to develop and support the economic endeavours of the community. Renewable energy is the focus of KSE's business and commitment towards "balancing the needs of people and the planet".

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