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Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

PATTERN ENERGY GROUP INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)

Pier 1, Bay 3

90-0893251
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

San Francisco, CA 94111

(415) 283-4000

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after this Registration Statement becomes effective.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. "

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If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. "

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. "

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box. x

If this Form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box. "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer "
 Non-accelerated filer x (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company "

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to Be Registered	Amount to Be Registered(1)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price per Unit(1)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(1)	Amount of Registration Fee(1)
Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share				
Preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share				
Senior debt securities				
Subordinated debt securities				
Warrants				
Purchase Contracts				
Subscription Receipts				

Units

- (1) An indeterminate amount of securities to be offered at indeterminate prices is being registered pursuant to this registration statement. The registrant is deferring payment of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 456(b) and is omitting this information in reliance on Rule 456(b) and Rule 457(r).

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PROSPECTUS

Pattern Energy Group Inc.

Class A Common Stock

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We may from time to time, in one or more offerings, offer and sell Class A common stock, preferred stock, debt securities, warrants, purchase contracts, subscription receipts and units. In addition, certain selling securityholders to be identified in supplements to this prospectus may offer and sell these securities from time to time. Specific amounts and terms of these securities will be provided in supplements to this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and any prospectus supplement carefully before you invest.

Our Class A common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol **PEGI** and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol **PEG**. We have not yet determined whether the other securities that may be offered by this prospectus will be listed on any exchange, interdealer quotation system or over-the-counter market. If we decide to seek the listing of any such securities upon issuance, the prospectus supplement relating to those securities will disclose the exchange, quotation system or market on which the securities will be listed.

We or the selling securityholders may offer and sell these securities to or through one or more underwriters, dealers and agents, or directly to investors, in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined by market conditions and other factors at the time of the offering. This prospectus describes only the general terms of these securities and the general manner in which we or the selling securityholders will offer the securities. The specific terms of any securities we or the selling securityholders offer will be included in a supplement to this prospectus. The prospectus supplement will also describe the specific manner in which we or the selling securityholders will offer the securities. Any prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus.

You should carefully read this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement, together with the documents we incorporate by reference, before you invest in our Class A common stock, preferred stock, debt securities, warrants, purchase contracts, subscription receipts or units.

Investing in these securities involves certain risks. See Risk Factors on page 6 before you make your investment decision.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved these securities, or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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Neither we, nor any selling securityholder, nor any underwriter has authorized anyone to provide any information other than that contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or in any free writing prospectus prepared by us or on our behalf or to which we have referred you. We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you.

The information contained in this prospectus, in any prospectus supplement or in any document incorporated by reference is accurate only as of its date, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus, any prospectus supplement or any sale of securities.

This prospectus is not an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy these securities in any circumstances under which or in any jurisdiction where the offer or solicitation is not permitted.

Unless otherwise specified or unless the context otherwise indicates, the terms Pattern, Pattern Energy the Company, we, us, our and our company used in this prospectus refer to Pattern Energy Group Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries. Unless the context otherwise indicates, the phrase this prospectus refers to this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement(s).

All dollar amounts in this prospectus are expressed in U.S. dollars unless otherwise expressly noted.

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PATTERN ENERGY GROUP INC.

We are an independent power company focused on owning and operating power projects with stable long-term cash flows in attractive markets with potential for continued growth of our business.

Corporate Information

Our principal executive offices are located at Pier 1, Bay 3, San Francisco, California 94111, and our telephone number is (415) 283-4000. Our website is www.patternenergy.com. We make our periodic reports and other information filed with or furnished to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, or Canadian Securities Administrators available, free of charge, through our website, as soon as reasonably practicable after those reports and other information are electronically filed with or furnished to the SEC or Canadian Securities Administrators. Except as specifically noted, information on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus and does not constitute a part of this prospectus.

Risk Factors

You should carefully consider all of the information in this prospectus, and, in particular, you should evaluate the specific risk factors incorporated by reference herein and included or incorporated by reference in any applicable prospectus supplement.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the SEC utilizing a shelf registration process. Under this shelf process, we may sell any combination of the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings. In addition, certain selling securityholders to be identified in supplements to this prospectus may offer and sell these securities from time to time. This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we or a selling securityholder may offer. Each time we or selling securityholders offer and sell any of the securities described in this prospectus, we will provide a prospectus supplement along with this prospectus that will contain specific information about the terms of that particular offering by us or the selling securityholders. The accompanying prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. If the information varies between this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement, you should rely on the information in the accompanying prospectus supplement. You should read both this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement together with the additional information described under **Where You Can Find More Information**. You should also carefully consider, among other things, the matters discussed in the section entitled **Risk Factors**.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any document that we file at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains a website at www.sec.gov, from which interested persons can electronically access our SEC filings, including the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules thereto. In addition, the Canadian Securities Administrators maintains the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval, or SEDAR, website at www.sedar.com, from which you can obtain reports, proxy and information statements and other information relating to us, including any Canadian prospectus.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with them, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is an important part of this prospectus, and information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below, filed with the SEC or similar authorities in the provinces and territories of Canada, and all documents we file pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, on or after the date of this prospectus and prior to the termination of the offering under this prospectus and any prospectus supplement (other than, in each case, documents or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules):

- a) Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 filed with the SEC on February 28, 2014 (**2013 Form 10-K**);
- b) Amendment No. 1 to our Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 filed with the SEC on May 5, 2014 (**Amended Annual Report**);
- c) Our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2014 and June 30, 2014, filed with the SEC on May 2, 2014 and August 5, 2014, respectively, and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q/A for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2014, filed with the SEC on August 5, 2014;

- d) Our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 5, 2014;
- e) The information specifically incorporated by reference into the 2013 Form 10-K from our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on April 23, 2014 (2014 Proxy Statement);
- f) The description of our Class A common stock contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A, filed with the SEC on September 24, 2013; and

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g) The description of our Class A common stock issued under our 2013 Equity Incentive Award Plan contained in our Registration Statement on Form S-8, filed with the SEC on October 9, 2013.
You may request a copy of these filings at no cost, by writing or telephoning the office of the Corporate Secretary of Pattern Energy at Pier 1, Bay 3, San Francisco, CA, telephone 415-283-4000.

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SPECIAL NOTE ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, including the documents incorporated by reference herein, contains forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as may, might, will, should, expect, plans, anticipates, believes, estimates, predicts, potential or continue, the negative of these terms and other terminology. These forward-looking statements, which are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions about us, may include projections of our future financial performance, our anticipated growth strategies and anticipated trends in our business. These statements are only predictions based on our current expectations and projections about future events. There are important factors that could cause our actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements to differ materially from the results, level of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, including those factors discussed in the section entitled Risk Factors in our 2013 Form 10-K and our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2014 and June 30, 2014, filed with the SEC on May 2, 2014 and August 5, 2014, respectively. All written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us, or persons acting on our behalf, are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements in this prospectus as well as other cautionary statements that are made from time to time in our other filings with the SEC and applicable Canadian securities regulatory authorities or public communications. You should evaluate all forward-looking statements made in this prospectus in the context of these risks and uncertainties.

Although we believe the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, level of activity, performance or achievements. Moreover, neither we nor any other person assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of any of these forward-looking statements. We are under no duty to update any of these forward-looking statements after the date of this prospectus to conform our prior statements to actual results or revised expectations. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to:

our ability to complete construction of our construction projects and transition them into financially successful operating projects;

our ability to complete the acquisition of power projects;

fluctuations in supply, demand, prices and other conditions for electricity, other commodities and renewable energy credits;

our electricity generation, our projections thereof and factors affecting production, including wind and other conditions, other weather conditions, availability and curtailment;

changes in law, including applicable tax laws;

public response to and changes in the local, state, provincial and federal regulatory framework affecting renewable energy projects, including the potential expiration or extension of the U.S. federal production tax credits, investment tax credits, and the related U.S. Treasury grants and

potential reductions in renewable portfolio standards requirements;

the ability of our counterparties to satisfy their financial commitments or business obligations;

the availability of financing, including tax equity financing, for our wind power projects;

an increase in interest rates;

our substantial short-term and long-term indebtedness, including additional debt in the future;

competition from other power project developers;

development constraints, including the availability of interconnection and transmission;

potential environmental liabilities and the cost and conditions of compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations;

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our ability to operate our business efficiently, manage capital expenditures and costs effectively and generate cash flow;

our ability to retain and attract executive officers and key employees;

our ability to keep pace with and take advantage of new technologies;

the effects of litigation, including administrative and other proceedings or investigations, relating to our wind power projects under construction and those in operation;

conditions in energy markets as well as financial markets generally, which will be affected by interest rates, currency exchange rate fluctuations and general economic conditions;

the effective life and cost of maintenance of our wind turbines and other equipment;

the increased costs of, and tariffs on, spare parts;

scarcity of necessary equipment;

negative public or community response to wind power projects;

the value of collateral in the event of liquidation; and

other factors discussed under Risk Factors.

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Investment in our securities involves a high degree of risk. You should consider carefully the risk factors discussed in the sections entitled "Risk Factors" contained in our 2013 Form 10-K, our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2014 and June 30, 2014, filed with the SEC on May 2, 2014 and August 5, 2014, respectively, and in any Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed subsequent hereto, each of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, as well as other information in or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement, before purchasing any of our securities. Each of these risk factors could adversely affect our business, operating results and financial condition, as well as adversely affect the value of an investment in our securities.

USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise indicated in a prospectus supplement, the net proceeds from the sale of the securities offered by us in this prospectus will be used for general corporate purposes, including working capital, acquisitions, retirement of debt and other business purposes. We may also invest the proceeds in certificates of deposit, United States government securities or certain other interest-bearing securities. If we decide to use the net proceeds from a particular offering of securities for a specific purpose other than as set forth above, we will describe that in the related prospectus supplement.

We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the securities by any selling securityholder.

RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth our ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods indicated. The ratio of earnings to fixed charges was calculated by dividing earnings by fixed charges. Earnings were calculated by adding (1) pre-tax income from continuing operations before adjustment for noncontrolling interests and earnings/losses from equity investees and (2) interest expense (including amortization of capitalized interest, debt fees and issuance costs). Fixed charges were calculated by adding (1) interest expense, (2) amortization of debt issuance costs, and (3) amortization of other capitalized expenses related to indebtedness.

Six Months Ended	Year Ended December 31,			
June 30, 2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
1.1	1.1	(1)(2)	1.7(1)	(1)(2)

(1) Pattern Energy Group Inc. was incorporated in October 2012. The historical financial data used to determine our ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the three years ended December 31, 2012 have been derived from the audited combined financial statements of our predecessor.

(2) Earnings were inadequate to cover fixed charges by \$25.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 and by \$0.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2010.

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DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

The following description of our capital stock is a summary of the material terms of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation (Certificate of Incorporation), our amended and restated bylaws (Bylaws) and applicable provisions of law. We have summarized certain portions of the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws below. The summary is not complete. The Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws are incorporated by reference as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. You should read the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws for the provisions that are important to you.

General

Our authorized capital stock consists of 500,000,000 shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 20,000,000 shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share and 100,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

Class A Shares

As of September 30, 2014, there were 46,518,162 shares of Class A common stock outstanding held of record by approximately 15 stockholders.

Holders of Class A shares are entitled to one vote for each share held of record on all matters submitted to a vote of the shareholders, including the election of directors. There is no cumulative voting in the election of directors, which means that holders of a majority of the outstanding Class A and Class B shares are able to elect all of the directors, and holders of less than a majority of such shares will be unable to elect any director. Under our Certificate of Incorporation, subject to preferences that may be applicable to any outstanding shares of preferred stock, holders of Class A shares are entitled to receive ratably such dividends, if any, as may be declared from time to time by our board of directors out of funds legally available for dividend payments. Our revolving credit facility imposes restrictions on certain of our project subsidiaries' ability to distribute funds to us. See Management's Discussion & Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Description of Credit Agreements Revolving Credit Facility in our 2013 Form 10-K. The holders of Class A shares have no preferences or rights of conversion, exchange, pre-emption or other subscription rights. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to the Class A shares. No subdivision or consolidation of our Class A shares can be made unless the same subdivision or consolidation of the Class B shares is made concurrently. In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of our affairs, holders of Class A shares will be entitled to share ratably, together with holders of Class B shares, in our assets that are remaining after payment or provision for payment of all of our debts and obligations and after liquidation payments to holders of outstanding shares of preferred stock, if any.

Class B Shares

As of September 30, 2014, there were 15,555,000 shares of Class B common stock outstanding held of record by approximately six stockholders.

The rights of the holders of our Class A and Class B shares are identical other than in respect of dividends and the conversion rights of the Class B shares. While each Class A and Class B share has one vote on all matters submitted to a vote of our shareholders, our Class B shares have no rights to dividends or distributions (other than upon liquidation). In the case of a proposed amendment to our Certificate of Incorporation affecting our Class A shares and/or our Class B shares, holders of our Class A shares and holders of our Class B shares are each entitled to vote separately as a class to approve such amendment. Upon the later of December 31, 2014 and the date on which our

South Kent project has achieved commercial operations (which occurred on March 28, 2014), which we refer to as the Conversion Event, all of our outstanding Class B shares will automatically

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convert, on a one-for-one basis, into Class A shares. Other than upon occurrence of the Conversion Event, there are no conversion rights attaching to the Class B shares. Other than in certain circumstances involving a take-over bid, tender offer or merger or similar business combination in respect of our company, in which circumstance a transfer of our Class B shares to the acquirer, and subsequently among the acquirer and its officers, employees and affiliates, would be permitted, our Class B shares will not be transferrable except to and among Pattern Energy Group LP, or Pattern Development, our company and its respective officers, employees and affiliates. No subdivision or consolidation of our Class B shares can be made unless the same subdivision or consolidation of the Class A shares is made concurrently.

Under applicable Canadian securities laws, a take-over bid to purchase our Class B shares would not necessarily require that the take-over bid also be made to purchase our Class A shares. In order to ensure that, in the event of a take-over bid, the holders of our Class A shares will be entitled to participate on an equal footing with holders of our Class B shares, our Certificate of Incorporation contains restrictions which provide that the Class B shares are not transferrable, directly or indirectly, pursuant to a take-over bid (as defined in applicable Canadian securities legislation) under circumstances in which applicable securities legislation would have required the same offer to be made to holders of Class A shares if the sale by the holder of Class B shares had been a sale of Class A shares rather than Class B shares (but otherwise on the same terms); provided that, these restrictions will not apply to prevent a transfer by any holder of Class B shares pursuant to such a take-over bid if concurrently an offer is made to purchase Class A shares that:

- (a) offers a price per Class A share at least as high as the highest price per share paid pursuant to the offer to acquire the Class B shares;
- (b) provides that the percentage of outstanding Class A shares to be taken up (exclusive of shares owned immediately prior to the offer by the offeror or persons acting jointly or in concert with the offeror) is at least as high as the percentage of Class B shares to be sold (exclusive of Class B shares owned immediately prior to the offer by the offeror and persons acting jointly or in concert with the offeror) and the offeror does not acquire any Class B shares unless the offeror also acquires a proportionate number of Class A shares actually tendered to such offer;
- (c) has no conditions attached other than the conditions attached to the offer for the Class B shares; and
- (d) is in all other material respects identical to the offer for the Class B shares.

In addition and for greater certainty, the foregoing transfer restrictions will not prevent a sale by a holder of Class B shares if the offer and sale would have constituted an exempt take-over bid (as defined in applicable Canadian securities legislation) or would not constitute a take-over bid had it been an offer to acquire from such holder, Class A shares rather than Class B shares.

Preferred Shares

As of September 30, 2014, there were no shares of preferred stock outstanding.

Our Certificate of Incorporation authorizes the issuance of blank check preferred stock, which, if issued, would have priority over the shares of common stock with respect to dividends and other distributions, including the distribution of our assets upon liquidation. Unless required by law or by applicable stock exchanges, our board of directors has the authority without further shareholder authorization to issue from time to time shares of preferred stock in one or more series and to fix the terms, limitations, relative rights and preferences and variations of each series. Although we have no present plans to issue any shares of preferred stock, the issuance of shares of preferred stock, or the issuance of

rights to purchase such shares, could decrease the amount of earnings and assets available for distribution to the holders of Class A shares, could adversely affect the rights and powers, including voting rights, of the holders of shares of our common stock, and could have the effect of delaying, deterring or preventing a change in control of us or an unsolicited acquisition proposal.

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Provisions of Our Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws and Delaware Law that May Have an Anti-Takeover Effect

Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws contain certain provisions that could discourage, delay or prevent a change in control of our company or changes in our management that the shareholders of our company may deem advantageous. Among other things, these provisions include those that would:

authorize the issuance of blank check preferred stock that our board of directors could issue to increase the number of outstanding shares and to discourage a takeover attempt;

prohibit our shareholders from calling a special meeting of shareholders if Pattern Development and its affiliates (other than our company) collectively cease to own more than 50% of our shares;

prohibit shareholder action by written consent, which requires all shareholder actions to be taken at a meeting of our shareholders if Pattern Development and its affiliates (other than our company) collectively cease to own more than 50% of our shares;

provide that the board of directors is expressly authorized to adopt, or to alter or repeal our bylaws; and

establish advance notice requirements for nominations for election to our board of directors or for proposing matters that can be acted upon by shareholders at shareholder meetings.

As of May 14, 2014, Pattern Development and its affiliates (other than our company) collectively ceased to own more than 50% of our shares.

The foregoing provisions of our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws could discourage potential acquisition proposals and could delay or prevent a change in control. These provisions are intended to enhance the likelihood of continuity and stability in the composition of the board of directors and in the policies formulated by the board of directors and to discourage certain types of transactions that may involve an actual or threatened change of control. These provisions are designed to reduce our vulnerability to an unsolicited acquisition proposal. The provisions also are intended to discourage certain tactics that may be used in proxy fights. However, such provisions could have the effect of discouraging others from making tender offers for our shares and, as a consequence, they also may inhibit fluctuations in the market price of our shares of common stock that could result from actual or rumored takeover attempts. Such provisions also may have the effect of preventing changes in our management.

Delaware Takeover Statute

Subject to certain exceptions, Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or DGCL, prohibits a Delaware corporation from engaging in any business combination (as defined below) with any interested shareholder (as defined below) for a period of three years following the date that such shareholder became an interested shareholder, unless: (1) prior to such date, the board of directors of the corporation approved either the business combination or the

transaction that resulted in the shareholder becoming an interested shareholder; (2) on consummation of the transaction that resulted in the shareholder becoming an interested shareholder, the interested shareholder owned at least 85% of the voting stock of the corporation outstanding at the time the transaction commenced, excluding for purposes of determining the number of shares outstanding those shares owned (x) by persons who are directors and also officers and (y) by employee stock plans in which employee participants do not have the right to determine confidentially whether shares held subject to the plan will be tendered in a tender or exchange offer; or (3) on or subsequent to such date, the business combination is approved by the board of directors and authorized at an annual or special meeting of shareholders, and not by written consent, by the affirmative vote of at least 66 2/3% of the outstanding voting stock that is not owned by the interested shareholder.

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In our Certificate of Incorporation, we have elected not to be governed by Section 203 of the DGCL, as permitted under and pursuant to subsection (b)(3) of Section 203. Section 203 of the DGCL defines business combination to include: (1) any merger or consolidation involving the corporation and the interested shareholder; (2) any sale, transfer, pledge or other disposition of 10% or more of the assets of the corporation involving the interested shareholder; (3) subject to certain exceptions, any transaction that results in the issuance or transfer by the corporation of any stock of the corporation to the interested shareholder; (4) any transaction involving the corporation that has the effect of increasing the proportionate share of the stock of any class or series of the corporation beneficially owned by the interested shareholder; or (5) the receipt by the interested shareholder of the benefit of any loans, advances, guarantees, pledges or other financial benefits provided by or through the corporation. In general, Section 203 defines an interested shareholder as any entity or person beneficially owning 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the corporation and any entity or person affiliated with or controlling or controlled by such entity or person.

Corporate Opportunity

Subject to the terms of the Non-Competition Agreement with and our Purchase Rights granted to us by Pattern Development (see Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions in our 2014 Proxy Statement), we have expressly renounced any interest or expectancy in, or in being offered an opportunity to participate in, any business opportunity that may be from time to time presented to Riverstone Holdings LLC, or any of its respective officers, directors, agents, shareholders, members, partners, affiliates and subsidiaries or business opportunities that such parties participate in or desire to participate in, even if the opportunity is one that we might reasonably have pursued or had the ability or desire to pursue if granted the opportunity to do so, and no such person shall be liable to us for breach of any fiduciary or other duty, as a director or controlling shareholder or otherwise, by reason of the fact that such person pursues or acquires any such business opportunity, directs any such business opportunity to another person or fails to present any such business opportunity, or information regarding any such business opportunity, to us, unless, in the case of any such person who is our director, any such business opportunity is expressly offered to such director in writing solely in his or her capacity as our director.

Exchange Listing

Our Class A shares are listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol PEGI and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol PEG.

Transfer Agent and Registrar

We have appointed Computershare Trust Company, N.A. (including its affiliates in Canada) as the transfer agent and registrar for our shares of Class A common stock.

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DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

This section describes the general terms and provisions of the debt securities that we may issue. We may offer secured or unsecured debt securities which may be senior, subordinated or junior subordinated, and which may be convertible. The debt securities will be issued under one or more separate indentures between us and a designated trustee. The applicable prospectus supplement and/or other offering materials will describe the specific terms of the debt securities offered through that prospectus supplement as well as any general terms described in this section that will not apply to those debt securities. To the extent the applicable prospectus supplement or other offering materials relating to an offering of debt securities are inconsistent with this prospectus, the terms of that prospectus supplement or other offering materials will supersede the information in this prospectus.

The prospectus supplement relating to any series of debt securities that we may offer will contain the specific terms of the debt securities. These terms may include the following:

the title and principal aggregate amount of the debt securities;

whether the debt securities will be senior, subordinated or junior subordinated;

whether the debt securities will be secured or unsecured;

whether the debt securities are convertible or exchangeable into other securities;

the percentage or percentages of principal amount at which such debt securities will be issued;

the interest rate(s) or the method for determining the interest rate(s);

the dates on which interest will accrue or the method for determining dates on which interest will accrue and dates on which interest will be payable;

the person to whom any interest on the debt securities will be payable;

the places where payments on the debt securities will be payable;

the maturity date;

redemption or early repayment provisions;

authorized denominations;

form;

amount of discount or premium, if any, with which such debt securities will be issued;

whether such debt securities will be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more global securities;

the identity of the depositary for global securities;

whether a temporary security is to be issued with respect to such series and whether any interest payable prior to the issuance of definitive securities of the series will be credited to the account of the persons entitled thereto;

the terms upon which the beneficial interests in a temporary global security may be exchanged in whole or in part for beneficial interests in a definitive global security or for individual definitive securities;

any covenants applicable to the particular debt securities being issued;

any defaults and events of default applicable to the particular debt securities being issued;

the guarantors of each series, if any, and the extent of the guarantees (including provisions relating to seniority, subordination, security and release of the guarantees), if any;

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any applicable subordination provisions for any subordinated debt securities;

any restriction or condition on the transferability of the debt securities;

the currency, currencies, or currency units in which the purchase price for, the principal of and any premium and any interest on, such debt securities will be payable;

the time period within which, the manner in which and the terms and conditions upon which we or the purchaser of the debt securities can select the payment currency;

the securities exchange(s) on which the securities will be listed, if any;

whether any underwriter(s) will act as market maker(s) for the securities;

the extent to which a secondary market for the securities is expected to develop;

our obligations or right to redeem, purchase or repay debt securities under a sinking fund, amortization or analogous provision;

provisions relating to covenant defeasance and legal defeasance;

provisions relating to satisfaction and discharge of the indenture;

provisions relating to the modification of the indenture both with and without consent of holders of debt securities issued under the indenture;

the law that will govern the indenture and debt securities; and

additional terms not inconsistent with the provisions of the indenture.

General

We may sell the debt securities, including original issue discount securities, at par or at a substantial discount below their stated principal amount. Unless we inform you otherwise in a prospectus supplement, we may issue additional debt securities of a particular series without the consent of the holders of the debt securities of such series outstanding at the time of issuance. Any such additional debt securities, together with all other outstanding debt securities of that series, will constitute a single series of securities under the applicable indenture. In addition, we will describe in the

applicable prospectus supplement material U.S. federal income tax considerations and any other special considerations for any debt securities we sell which are denominated in a currency or currency unit other than U.S. dollars. Unless we inform you otherwise in the applicable prospectus supplement, the debt securities will not be listed on any securities exchange.

We expect most debt securities to be issued in fully registered form without coupons and in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples thereof. Subject to the limitations provided in the indenture and in the prospectus supplement, debt securities that are issued in registered form may be transferred or exchanged at the corporate office of the trustee or the principal corporate trust office of the trustee, without the payment of any service charge, other than any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

If specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, certain of our subsidiaries will guarantee the debt securities. The particular terms of any guarantee will be described in the related prospectus supplement.

Global Securities

Unless we inform you otherwise in the applicable prospectus supplement, the debt securities of a series may be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more global securities that will be deposited with, or on behalf of, a depository identified in the applicable prospectus supplement. Global securities will be issued in registered form and in either temporary or definitive form. Unless and until it is exchanged in whole or in part for the individual debt securities, a global security may not be transferred except as a whole by the depository for such

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global security to a nominee of such depositary or by a nominee of such depositary to such depositary or another nominee of such depositary or by such depositary or any such nominee to a successor of such depositary or a nominee of such successor. The specific terms of the depositary arrangement with respect to any debt securities of a series and the rights of and limitations upon holders of beneficial interests in a global security will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS

We may issue warrants to purchase our debt or equity securities or securities of third parties or other rights, including rights to receive payment in cash or securities based on the value, rate or price of one or more specified commodities, currencies, securities or indices, or any combination of the foregoing. Warrants may be issued independently or together with any other securities and may be attached to, or separate from, such securities. Each series of warrants will be issued under a separate warrant agreement to be entered into between us and a warrant agent. The terms of any warrants to be issued and a description of the material provisions of the applicable warrant agreement will be set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement.

DESCRIPTION OF PURCHASE CONTRACTS

We may issue purchase contracts for the purchase or sale of:

debt or equity securities issued by us or securities of third parties, a basket of such securities, an index or indices of such securities or any combination of the above as specified in the applicable prospectus supplement;

currencies; or

commodities.

Each purchase contract will entitle the holder thereof to purchase or sell, and obligate us to sell or purchase, on specified dates, such securities, currencies or commodities at a specified purchase price, which may be based on a formula, all as set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. We may, however, satisfy our obligations, if any, with respect to any purchase contract by delivering the cash value of such purchase contract or the cash value of the property otherwise deliverable or, in the case of purchase contracts on underlying currencies, by delivering the underlying currencies, as set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. The applicable prospectus supplement will also specify the methods by which the holders may purchase or sell such securities, currencies or commodities and any acceleration, cancellation or termination provisions or other provisions relating to the settlement of a purchase contract.

Any purchase contracts we may issue may require us to make periodic payments to the holders thereof or vice versa, which payments may be deferred to the extent set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement, and those payments may be unsecured or prefunded on some basis. The purchase contracts may require the holders thereof to secure their obligations in a specified manner to be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. Alternatively, purchase contracts may require holders to satisfy their obligations thereunder when the purchase contracts are issued. Our obligation to settle such pre-paid purchase contracts on the relevant settlement date may constitute indebtedness. Accordingly, pre-paid purchase contracts will be issued under an indenture.

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DESCRIPTION OF SUBSCRIPTION RECEIPTS

From time to time, subscription receipts may be offered and sold under this prospectus. A subscription receipt may entitle the holder to acquire, for no additional consideration, shares of our Class A common stock or preferred stock. Subscription receipts may be offered separately or together with other securities. The subscription receipts will be issued under a subscription receipt agreement with a subscription receipt agent.

The applicable prospectus supplement will include details of the subscription receipt agreement covering the subscription receipts being offered. The following sets forth certain general terms and provisions of the subscription receipts offered under this prospectus.

The specific terms of the subscription receipts, and the extent to which the general terms described in this section apply to those subscription receipts, will be set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. The particular terms of each issue of subscription receipts will be described in the related prospectus supplement. This description will include, where applicable:

the number of subscription receipts;

the price at which the subscription receipts will be offered;

the procedure for the exchange or exercise of the subscription receipts for shares of our Class A common stock or preferred stock;

the number of shares that may be acquired upon exchange or exercise of each subscription receipt;

the designation and terms of any other securities with which the subscription receipts will be offered, if any, and the number of subscription receipts that will be offered with each security;

terms applicable to the gross proceeds from the sale of the subscription receipts plus any interest earned thereon;

material tax consequences of owning the subscription receipts; and

any other material terms and conditions of the subscription receipts.

DESCRIPTION OF UNITS

As specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, we may issue units consisting of one or more purchase contracts, warrants, debt securities, shares of preferred stock, shares of Class A common stock, subscription receipts or any combination of such securities. The applicable prospectus supplement will describe:

the terms of the units and of the purchase contracts, warrants, debt securities, preferred stock, Class A common stock and/or subscription receipts comprising the units, including whether and under what circumstances the securities comprising the units may be traded separately;

a description of the terms of any unit agreement governing the units; and

a description of the provisions for the payment, settlement, transfer or exchange of the units.

FORMS OF SECURITIES

Each debt security, warrant, subscription receipt and unit will be represented either by a certificate issued in definitive form to a particular investor or by one or more global securities representing the entire issuance of securities. Certificated securities in definitive form and global securities will be issued in registered form. Definitive securities name you or your nominee as the owner of the security, and in order to transfer or exchange

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these securities or to receive payments other than interest or other interim payments, you or your nominee must physically deliver the securities to the trustee, registrar, paying agent or other agent, as applicable. Global securities name a depositary or its nominee as the owner of the debt security, warrant, subscription receipt or unit represented by these global securities. The depositary maintains a computerized system that will reflect each investor's beneficial ownership of the securities through an account maintained by the investor with its broker/dealer, bank, trust company or other representative, as we explain more fully below.

Global Securities

Registered Global Securities. We may issue the registered debt securities, warrants, subscription receipts and units in the form of one or more fully registered global securities that will be deposited with a depositary or its nominee identified in the applicable prospectus supplement and registered in the name of that depositary or nominee. In those cases, one or more registered global securities will be issued in a denomination or aggregate denominations equal to the portion of the aggregate principal or face amount of the securities to be represented by registered global securities. Unless and until it is exchanged in whole for securities in definitive registered form, a registered global security may not be transferred except as a whole by and among the depositary for the registered global security, the nominees of the depositary or any successors of the depositary or those nominees.

If not described below, any specific terms of the depositary arrangement with respect to any securities to be represented by a registered global security will be described in the prospectus supplement relating to those securities. We anticipate that the following provisions will apply to all depositary arrangements.

Ownership of beneficial interests in a registered global security will be limited to persons, called participants, that have accounts with the depositary or persons that may hold interests through participants. Upon the issuance of a registered global security, the depositary will credit, on its book-entry registration and transfer system, the participants accounts with the respective principal or face amounts of the securities beneficially owned by the participants. Any dealers, underwriters or agents participating in the distribution of the securities will designate the accounts to be credited. Ownership of beneficial interests in a registered global security will be shown on, and the transfer of ownership interests will be effected only through, records maintained by the depositary, with respect to interests of participants, and on the records of participants, with respect to interests of persons holding through participants. The laws of some states may require that some purchasers of securities take physical delivery of these securities in definitive form. These laws may impair your ability to own, transfer or pledge beneficial interests in registered global securities.

So long as the depositary, or its nominee, is the registered owner of a registered global security, that depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the securities represented by the registered global security for all purposes under the applicable indenture, warrant agreement, subscription receipt agreement or unit agreement. Except as described below, owners of beneficial interests in a registered global security will not be entitled to have the securities represented by the registered global security registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of the securities in definitive form and will not be considered the owners or holders of the securities under the applicable indenture, warrant agreement, subscription receipt agreement or unit agreement. Accordingly, each person owning a beneficial interest in a registered global security must rely on the procedures of the depositary for that registered global security and, if that person is not a participant, on the procedures of the participant through which the person owns its interest, to exercise any rights of a holder under the applicable indenture, warrant agreement, subscription receipt agreement or unit agreement. We understand that under existing industry practices, if we request any action of holders or if an owner of a beneficial interest in a registered global security desires to give or take any action that a holder is entitled to give or take under the applicable indenture, warrant agreement, subscription receipt agreement or unit agreement, the depositary for the registered global security

would authorize the participants holding the relevant beneficial interests to give or take that action, and the participants would authorize beneficial owners owning through them to give or take that action or would otherwise act upon the instructions of beneficial owners holding through them.

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Principal, premium, if any, and interest payments on debt securities, and any payments to holders with respect to warrants, subscription receipts or units, represented by a registered global security registered in the name of a depositary or its nominee will be made to the depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered owner of the registered global security. None of Pattern Energy, the trustees, the warrant agents, the subscription receipt agents, the unit agents or any other agent of Pattern Energy, agent of the trustees or agent of the warrant agents, subscription receipt agents or unit agents will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in the registered global security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to those beneficial ownership interests.

We expect that the depositary for any of the securities represented by a registered global security, upon receipt of any payment of principal, premium, interest or other distribution of underlying securities or other property to holders on that registered global security, will immediately credit participants' accounts in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in that registered global security as shown on the records of the depositary. We also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in a registered global security held through participants will be governed by standing customer instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with the securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in street name, and will be the responsibility of those participants.

If the depositary for any of these securities represented by a registered global security is at any time unwilling or unable to continue as depositary or ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or registered or recognized under applicable Canadian securities laws, if applicable, and a successor depositary registered as a clearing agency under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or registered or recognized under applicable Canadian securities laws, if applicable, is not appointed by us within 90 days, we will issue securities in definitive form in exchange for the registered global security that had been held by the depositary. Any securities issued in definitive form in exchange for a registered global security will be registered in the name or names that the depositary gives to the relevant trustee, warrant agent, subscription receipt agent, unit agent or other relevant agent of ours or theirs. It is expected that the depositary's instructions will be based upon directions received by the depositary from participants with respect to ownership of beneficial interests in the registered global security that had been held by the depositary.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We and/or the selling securityholders, if applicable, may sell the securities in one or more of the following ways (or in any combination) from time to time:

through underwriters or dealers;

directly to a limited number of purchasers or to a single purchaser; or

through agents.

The prospectus supplement will state the terms of the offering of the securities, including:

the name or names of any underwriters, dealers or agents;

the purchase price of such securities and the proceeds to be received by us, if any;

any underwriting discounts or agency fees and other items constituting underwriters or agents compensation;

any public offering price;

any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers; and

any securities exchanges on which the securities may be listed.

Any public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

If we and/or the selling securityholders, if applicable, use underwriters in the sale, the securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including:

negotiated transactions;

at a fixed public offering price or prices, which may be changed;

at market prices prevailing at the time of sale;

at prices related to prevailing market prices; or

at negotiated prices.

Unless otherwise stated in a prospectus supplement, the obligations of the underwriters to purchase any securities will be conditioned on customary closing conditions and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of such series of securities, if any are purchased.

We and/or the selling securityholders, if applicable, may sell the securities through agents from time to time. The prospectus supplement will name any agent involved in the offer or sale of the securities and any commissions we pay to them. Generally, any agent will be acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

We and/or the selling securityholders, if applicable, may authorize underwriters, dealers or agents to solicit offers by certain purchasers to purchase the securities from us at the public offering price set forth in the prospectus supplement pursuant to delayed delivery contracts providing for payment and delivery on a specified date in the future. The contracts will be subject only to those conditions set forth in the prospectus supplement, and the prospectus supplement will set forth any commissions we pay for solicitation of these contracts.

Underwriters and agents may be entitled under agreements entered into with us and/or the selling securityholders, if applicable, to indemnification by us and/or the selling securityholders, if applicable, against

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certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933 and/or applicable Canadian securities laws, or to contribution with respect to payments which the underwriters or agents may be required to make. Underwriters and agents may be customers of, engage in transactions with, or perform services for us and our affiliates in the ordinary course of business.

Each series of securities other than the Class A common stock, which is listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol PEGI and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol PEG, and any series of debt securities outstanding on the date hereof, will be a new issue of securities and will have no established trading market. Any underwriters to whom securities are sold for public offering and sale may make a market in the securities, but such underwriters will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. The securities, other than the Class A common stock, may or may not be listed on a national securities exchange.

VALIDITY OF SECURITIES

The validity of the securities in respect of which this prospectus is being delivered will be passed on for us and/or the selling securityholders, if applicable, by Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, New York, New York.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Pattern Energy Group Inc. appearing in Pattern Energy Group Inc.'s Amended Annual Report (Form 10-K/A) as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2013 (including the schedule appearing therein) have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their report thereon, included therein, and incorporated herein by reference which, as to the year 2013, are based in part on the reports of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm. Such consolidated financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such report given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Panhandle Wind Holdings LLC and Panhandle B Member 2 LLC as of December 31, 2013 and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, appearing in Pattern Energy Group Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 5, 2014, have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their reports thereon, included therein, and incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP has audited the financial statements of South Kent Wind LP and Grand Renewable Wind LP and has confirmed that they are independent within the meaning of auditor independence rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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The following table sets forth the costs and expenses payable by the Registrant in connection with the sale of the securities being registered hereby.

	Amount to Be Paid
Registration fee	\$ *
FINRA filing fee	**
Printing	**
Legal fees and expenses	**
Accounting fees and expenses	**
Trustee fees	**
Transfer agent and registrar fees	**
Miscellaneous	**
TOTAL	\$ **

* Omitted because the registration fee is being deferred pursuant to Rule 456(b).

** Not presently known.

Item 15. *Indemnification of Directors and Officers*

Section 145 of the DGCL provides that a corporation may indemnify any person, including an officer or director, who is, or is threatened to be made, party to any threatened, pending or completed legal action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, other than an action by or in the right of such corporation, by reason of the fact that such person was an officer, director, employee or agent of such corporation or is or was serving at the request of such corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, provided such officer, director, employee or agent acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, our company's best interest and, for criminal proceedings, had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful. A Delaware corporation may indemnify any officer or director in an action by or in the right of the corporation under the same conditions, except that no indemnification is permitted without judicial approval if the officer or director is adjudged to be liable to the corporation. Where an officer or director is successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action referred to above, the corporation must indemnify him against the expenses that such officer or director actually and reasonably incurred. If a claim for indemnification or advancement of expenses is

not paid in full in accordance with our amended and restated bylaws, the officer or director is entitled to file suit to recover the unpaid amount of such claim.

Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL permits a corporation to provide in its certificate of incorporation that a director of the corporation shall not be personally liable to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) for unlawful payments of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases, redemptions or other distributions, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

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Our Certificate of Incorporation provides that our directors will not be personally liable to our company or its shareholders for monetary damages resulting from breach of their fiduciary duties. However, nothing contained in such provision will eliminate or limit the liability of directors (1) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to us or our shareholders, (2) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of the law, (3) under Section 174 of the DGCL or (4) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

Our Bylaws provide for indemnification of the officers and directors to the full extent permitted by applicable law.

In addition, we entered into agreements to indemnify our directors and executive officers containing provisions which are in some respects broader than the specific indemnification provisions contained in the DGCL. The indemnification agreements may require us, among other things, to indemnify our directors against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as directors and to advance their expenses incurred as a result of any proceeding against them as to which they could be indemnified.

The proposed form of Underwriting Agreement to be filed as Exhibit 1.1 to this registration statement will provide for indemnification by the underwriters of the Registrant and its officers and directors for certain liabilities arising under the U.S. Securities Act, or otherwise.

Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a) The following exhibits are filed as part of this Registration Statement:

Exhibit No.	Document
1.1(1)	Form of Underwriting Agreement
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Pattern Energy Group Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A dated September 20, 2013 (Registration No. 333-190538))
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Pattern Energy Group Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A dated September 3, 2013 (Registration No. 333-190538))
4.1	Form of Class A Stock Certificate (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A dated September 3, 2013 (Registration No. 333-190538))
4.2(1)	Form of Preferred Stock Certificate
4.3	Form of Senior Indenture
4.4(1)	Form of Senior Note
4.5	Form of Subordinated Indenture
4.6(1)	Form of Subordinated Note

4.7(1)	Form of Warrant Agreement
4.8(1)	Form of Purchase Contract
4.9(1)	Form of Subscription Receipt Agreement
4.10(1)	Form of Unit Agreement
5.1	Opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP

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Exhibit

No.	Document
12.1	Statement regarding computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
23.1	Consent of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
23.2	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
23.3	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on the signature page of the Registration Statement)
25.1(1)	Statement of Eligibility on Form T-1 under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 of Trustee under the Senior Indenture
25.2(1)	Statement of Eligibility on Form T-1 under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 of Trustee under the Subordinated Indenture

- (1) To be filed, if necessary, by amendment or on a Current Report on Form 8-K prior to or concurrently with the issuance of the applicable securities.

Item 17. Undertakings

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made of securities registered hereby, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective registration statement;

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in this registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

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(4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser:

(A) Each prospectus filed by the Registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and

(B) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii), or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof. *Provided, however*, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

(5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the Registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned Registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned Registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned Registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

(i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned Registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;

(ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned Registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned Registrant;

(iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned Registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned Registrant; and

(iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned Registrant to the purchaser.

(b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes to file an application for the purpose of determining the eligibility of the trustee to act under subsection (a) of Section 310 of the Trust Indenture Act in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission under Section 305(b)(2) of the Trust Indenture Act.

(c) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d)

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of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

- (d) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes to supplement the prospectus, after the expiration of the subscription period, to set forth the results of the subscription offer, the transactions by the

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underwriters during the subscription period, the amount of unsubscribed securities to be purchased by the underwriters, and the terms of any subsequent reoffering thereof. If any public offering by the underwriters is to be made on terms differing from those set forth on the cover page of the prospectus, a post-effective amendment will be filed to set forth the terms of such offering.

- (e) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of their counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of San Francisco, State of California, on October 8, 2014.

PATTERN ENERGY GROUP INC.

By: /s/ Michael M. Garland
Name: Michael M. Garland
Title: Director, President and

Chief Executive Officer

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Michael M. Garland and Michael J. Lyon, and each of them, his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power to act separately and full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and all other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto each said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or either of them or his or their substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ MICHAEL M. GARLAND	Director, President and Chief Executive Officer	October 8, 2014
Michael M. Garland	(Principal Executive Officer)	
/s/ MICHAEL J. LYON	Chief Financial Officer	October 8, 2014
Michael J. Lyon	(Principal Financial Officer)	
/s/ ERIC S. LILLYBECK	Senior Vice President, Fiscal and Administrative Services	October 8, 2014
Eric S. Lillybeck	(Principal Accounting Officer)	
/s/ ALAN R. BATKIN Alan R. Batkin	Director	October 8, 2014
/s/ PATRICIA S. BELLINGER Patricia S. Bellinger	Director	October 8, 2014
/s/ THE LORD BROWNE OF MADINGLEY The Lord Browne of Madingley	Director	October 8, 2014
/s/ DOUGLAS G. HALL Douglas G. Hall	Director	October 8, 2014
/s/ MICHAEL B. HOFFMAN Michael B. Hoffman	Director	October 8, 2014

/s/ PATRICIA M. NEWSON
Patricia M. Newson

Director

October 8, 2014

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Document
1.1(1)	Form of Underwriting Agreement
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Pattern Energy Group Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A dated September 20, 2013 (Registration No. 333-190538))
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Pattern Energy Group Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A dated September 3, 2013 (Registration No. 333-190538))
4.1	Form of Class A Stock Certificate (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A dated September 3, 2013 (Registration No. 333-190538))
4.2(1)	Form of Preferred Stock Certificate
4.3	Form of Senior Indenture
4.4(1)	Form of Senior Note
4.5	Form of Subordinated Indenture
4.6(1)	Form of Subordinated Note
4.7(1)	Form of Warrant Agreement
4.8(1)	Form of Purchase Contract
4.9(1)	Form of Subscription Receipt Agreement
4.10(1)	Form of Unit Agreement
5.1	Opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP
12.1	Statement regarding computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
23.1	Consent of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
23.2	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
23.3	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on the signature page of the Registration Statement)
25.1(1)	Statement of Eligibility on Form T-1 under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 of Trustee under the Senior Indenture
25.2(1)	Statement of Eligibility on Form T-1 under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 of Trustee under the Subordinated Indenture

(1) To be filed, if necessary, by amendment or on a Current Report on Form 8-K prior to or concurrently with the issuance of the applicable securities.

