

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

**Docket No. 2008-04**

**Application of Granite Reliable Power LLC,  
for a Certificate of Site and Facility**

**Notice of Public Meeting**

**June 1, 2009**

**The duly designated Subcommittee of the Site Evaluation Committee for the State of New Hampshire shall hold a public meeting for the purpose of deliberations in this docket on June 10, 2009 at 10:00 AM, at the office of the Public Utilities Commission, Hearing Room A, 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord NH, 03301**

**The Application**

On July 15, 2008, Granite Reliable Power, LLC, (Applicant) filed an Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility for the Granite Reliable Windpark (Application). The Applicant seeks a Certificate of Site and Facility (Certificate) for the construction and operation of a renewable energy facility in Coos County, New Hampshire, which is proposed to be located in the Town of Dummer and in the unincorporated places known as Dixville, Erving's Location, Millsfield and Odell.

The Applicant seeks authority for the construction and operation of thirty-three (33) wind turbines each having a nameplate capacity of three (3) MW for a total nameplate capacity of ninety-nine (99) MW. The Applicant proposes the construction of approximately twelve (12) miles of new access roads and to upgrade approximately 19 miles of existing logging roads. The Applicant also proposes the construction and operation of a new 34.5kV electric transmission line for the collection of electricity from the turbines and delivery to a proposed substation located approximately one and one half miles south of the wind turbines in the Town of Dummer. The Applicant proposes the construction and operation of a new 115 kV electric transmission line that will run from the proposed substation for approximately 5.8 miles along the existing Dummer Road in the Town of Dummer and connect to the existing 115kV electric transmission line owned and operated by Public Service Company of New Hampshire. In addition, the Applicant proposes the construction of a maintenance building and a lay down yard near the sub-station in the Town of Dummer.

The proposed facilities for the most part are located on two private tracts of land identified as the Phillips Brook Tract and the Bayroot Parcel. The wind turbines will be installed in groups or "strings" located along Dixville Peak in Dixville, Mt. Kelsey and Owlhead Mountain in Millsfield and along an unnamed ridgeline sometimes locally referred to as Fishbrook located south and east of Owlhead Mountain in Millsfield.

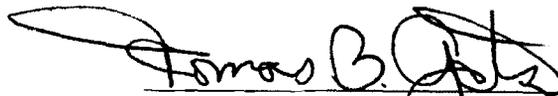
## Procedural History

The Application was filed on July 15, 2008. On August 14, 2008, the Chairperson of the Committee determined that the Application contained sufficient information to carry out the purpose of R.S.A. 162-H and appointed a Subcommittee to consider the merits of the Application. The Subcommittee convened a public informational hearing in Coos County on October 2, 2008. A further hearing to take public comment was held on March 23, 2009. The Subcommittee commenced adjudicative proceedings on March 9, 2009. On March 19, 2009, at the request of the parties the Subcommittee suspended deliberations for a period of thirty days, extending the date by which it must either issue or deny a Certificate to May 6, 2009.

The Subcommittee met to deliberate on April 17, April 20, and April 29, 2009. During deliberations the Subcommittee requested that the Applicant and the New Hampshire Fish & Game Department (NHF&G) supply additional data. On April 27, 2009, the Industrial Wind Action Group (IWAG) filed a motion to suspend deliberations and reopen the record. On April 29, 2009, the Subcommittee determined that it was in the public interest to suspend deliberations and to enlarge the time frame until May 29, 2009. On May 8, 2009, the Presiding Officer issued an order granting, in part, the motion to reopen the record and directing that NHF&G and the Applicant provide additional data pertaining to, respectively, the High Elevation Mitigation Agreement and the Altona turbine failure.

On May 27, 2009, the Subcommittee held an adjudicatory hearing to allow cross examination pertaining to the failure of the New York turbine and the High Elevation Mitigation Agreement. At the conclusion of the re-opened adjudicatory hearing, the record was closed pursuant to Site 202.26, and the Subcommittee conducted further deliberations. Pursuant to RSA 162-H:6-a, the Subcommittee also enlarged the time for consideration of the Application to June 30, 2009, and indicated that a notice would be issued setting a date on which to continue deliberations. Pursuant to this notice, deliberations will resume on June 10, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

By **ORDER** of the Site Evaluation Committee, this first day of June, 2009.



New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee  
Thomas B. Getz, Vice-Chairman  
Subcommittee Chairman