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New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
Site Evaluation Committee
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Subject: Proposed Groton Wind Electricity Generation Project

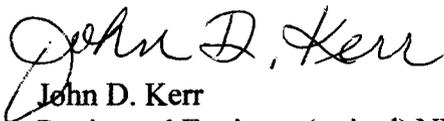
Chairman and Members of the Site Evaluation Committee:

As a resident of Rumney, New Hampshire, I wish to voice my concern about the proposed subject project. I am sure that everyone recognizes that fact that the proposed project will have an adverse impact on the environment, both during the construction period and during the operation of the facilities. That fact is inevitable. What is also inevitable is that the visual impact of the 24 wind turbines will surely destroy the natural beauty of the Baker River Valley. Although these two factors concern me, my major concern is the noise impact of the operating turbines and the possibility that this operating noise can cause physical and/or mental health problems. I have no experience with wind turbine noise, but I have read several pros and cons about operating turbine noise which range from the noise is minimal to the noise is unbearable.

I understand that the State of Vermont has recently, or will in the near future, enacted a law that will prohibit the locating of wind turbines within a certain distance of residential areas. I am sure that there is a very good reason for this law which, in all probability, is meant to address the affect the noise of operating wind turbines has on humans.

I understand that the Spanish firm proposing the project has conducted a noise study and has or will be presenting them to the Site Evaluation Committee. In this regard, before a final decision is made by the Site Evaluation Committee, I urge the Committee to insist that noise studies be conducted by a private firm so as to ensure that there is no conflict of interest regarding the results, conclusions, and recommendations of the final noise impact report.

Sincerely,



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