

RESOLUTION PETITION

Groton Wind Farm – SEC Docket 2010-01

To: Chairman Thomas Getz and the members of the NH Site Evaluation Committee, currently charged with evaluating the Groton Wind Farm application.

Let the following resolution be known:

Whereas, the Baker River Valley is the crown jewel of our entire area, with its pristine natural beauty attracting tourists and vacationers who help to support the local economy; and

Whereas, twenty four proposed turbines, each of which would be some 399 feet high, would dwarf other structures such as cell towers, destroying our scenic vistas while becoming the primary landmarks in the entire region; and

Whereas, with 84% of our state's current power generated by carbon free nuclear, clean burning natural gas, and renewables like hydroelectric, replacing this base load with wind power is virtually pointless in terms of achieving the goal of reduced carbon emissions; and

Whereas, this wind farm would create no more than 6 full time jobs once construction is complete; and

Whereas, the developer plans to enter into "power purchase agreements" with the effect of increasing electric rates, making our economy less competitive and inhibiting job growth while being heavily subsidized by both taxpayers and ratepayers; and

Whereas, this wind farm would generate electricity at unpredictable times that cannot be synchronized with demand, totaling less than 1% of NH's electrical power, even if the optimistic production capacities claimed by Iberdrola are in fact realized; and

Whereas, wind tends to blow during nights and winter, when electric demand is relatively low, not during heat waves when power is needed the most; and

Whereas, pursuant to RSA 162-H, the committee is required to act in the public interest to maintain a "balance" between the environment and the need for reliable power sources; and

Whereas, it is brazenly obvious that this facility is neither needed nor predicted to be a reliable generator of electricity for the aforementioned reasons; and

Whereas, these towers would be built directly in the path of a vital avian migratory route, imperiling our wildlife, including bald eagles, golden eagles, and the peregrine falcon that so many have tried to nurture in our valley; and

Whereas, there is increasing and alarming evidence of impacts to human health due to persistent noise and vibrations in many communities close to wind farms, with numerous law suits already filed around the country in these communities; and

Whereas, a number of states, for good reason and just cause, have pending legislation requiring wind farm setbacks from residences; and

Whereas, studies have shown that values of property in close proximity to wind farms could plunge by 25% to 40%; and

Whereas, since New Hampshire has limited experience with wind farms, no setback legislation exists, and as a result, this plan would allow these enormous structures to tower directly over our communities;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the undersigned residents of the communities surrounding the Tenney Mountain and Fletcher Mountain ridgeline hereby declare our opposition to this project in the strongest possible terms.

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