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Thomas S. Burack, Chariman
New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
P.O. Box 95 ~ 29 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03302-0095

Re: Docket Number 2011-02, Antrim Wind Energy, LLC

Dear Chairman Burack:

I am in favor of renewable energy in locations that do not disturb the natural habitat for animals, birds and bats. First and foremost, however, I strongly advocate protecting our natural environment, especially the beautiful forests, mountains and wildlife in New Hampshire.

We built our dream home on Windsor Mt. (43 Farmstead Rd. Antrim, NH) directly across the valley (approximately 1.5 miles) facing Tuttle Mt., for the peace and serenity of this pristine location. Since moving here, I've seen many species of Hawks, Falcons, American Bald Eagles, Owls, Moose with twin babies (on three separate occasions ~ different years), Albino Deer, White Tail Deer, Black Bear, Fischer Cats, Coyotes and other wild animals that grace this area. They are truly amazing!

I value and respect the Rural Conservation District for its sanctuary of birds, wildlife, forests, rivers, natural beauty and I don't want to see Tuttle Mt. being destroyed by having it blasted and desecrated to erect an industrial wind farm, which will inevitably deplete the natural habitat for the wildlife and birds that live here.

I enjoy the peace and quiet that I've become accustomed to and don't want to be subjected to the constant noise and health risks that the proposed renewable energy facility could potentially cause.

I have been an appellant in the proceedings before the Antrim Zoning Board of Adjustments and there are currently two pending court cases against the Town of Antrim to determine the legality of permitting for the MET tower that was erected by Antrim Wind Energy, LLC before the 30 day appeal period.

We have created our own active zoning ordinances for three decades in the Town of Antrim, which are revised annually and a new Planning Board is now in place since the March, 2011 elections, and is actively in the process of developing a comprehensive plan for the inclusion of renewable energy in our zoning ordinance. I have a strong desire to keep local control in the Town of Antrim.

I believe that the letter by the Board of Selectmen to ask the SEC to take jurisdiction over the renewable energy project was premature and I question its validity. We now have a newly elected Board of Selectmen in place and we need more time to educate the citizens of Antrim about the pros and cons of wind energy in our town. Not to mention, there is no actual application for a wind energy project here.

In the past two years, I feel as though my voice and that of other residents in the North Branch region has fallen on deaf ears and we need more time to research the ramifications that a renewable energy facility of this size will have on our community.

I ask you to reject the proposals of Antrim Wind Energy, LLC to have the SEC take jurisdiction over their proposed project. Please allow us to keep the decision-making process for this in the Town of Antrim and let us maintain our local control.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Annie Law". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small star above the letter 'i' in "Annie".

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