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Via email only to cjensen@nhpr.org

**Re: Your Inquiry Regarding a Site Visit on August 29, 2014
Site Evaluation Committee Docket No. 2014-03
Motion of Granite Reliable Power, LLC to Amend Certificate of Site and
Facility**

Dear Mr. Jensen:

This morning you corresponded with Thomas Burack, Chairman of the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee, by e-mail. In your e-mail to Chairman Burack you requested that he grant you permission to attend a site visit at the Granite Reliable Power wind facility. The site visit is scheduled for August 29, 2014. In your e-mail you assert that attendance at the site visit would assist you in your responsibilities as a journalist. You also assert that the site visit is an "SEC proceeding – and not a private meeting." Chairman Burack has referred your e-mail to me for a response in my capacity as counsel to the Site Evaluation Committee.

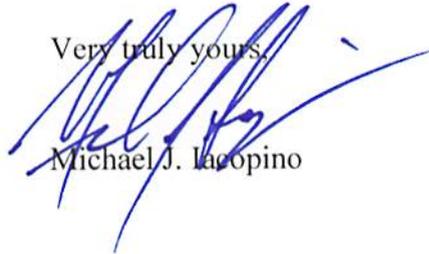
Neither Chairman Burack nor the Site Evaluation Committee has the authority to grant your request.

The site visit scheduled by the parties is not a Site Evaluation Committee proceeding. No members of the Site Evaluation Committee or its staff will be present at the visit. The site visit is the result of an informal agreement between the parties in this docket. While the Committee has delayed its procedural schedule to allow the site visit to occur, the site visit itself is not the result of any action taken by the Committee. To the extent that admissible evidence is discovered by the parties as the result of the site visit, that evidence will only be presented to the Site Evaluation Committee and considered in the context of a public adjudicative hearing.

Under these circumstances neither Chairman Burack nor the Site Evaluation Committee has the authority to require a private landowner, in this case, Granite Reliable Power, LLC, to allow you to enter its property. However, it is my understanding based upon e-mail correspondence between the parties in this case that Granite Reliable will make efforts to schedule a separate tour of the Facility for the press. I urge you to address that opportunity directly with the representatives of Granite Reliable. You can reach Attorney Harold Pachios or Attorney Matthew Warner at (207) 791-3000.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me directly.

Very truly yours,



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