

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

**Docket No. 2014-05**

**Petition for Jurisdiction  
Over a Renewable Energy Facility Proposed by Antrim Wind Energy, LLC**

**June 1, 2015**

**NOTICE OF ADJUDICATIVE HEARING**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Site Evaluation Committee for the State of New Hampshire will convene an adjudicative hearing in above referenced docket on July 6, 2015, at 9 AM and on July 7, 2015, at 9 AM. The hearing shall be held in Hearing Room A at the offices of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire.**

In February 2011, the Town of Antrim through its Board of Selectmen and Antrim Wind Energy, LLC (Antrim Wind), filed petitions asking the Site Evaluation Committee (Committee) to assert jurisdiction over a proposed wind energy facility with a nameplate capacity of less than 30 MW. *See* Site Evaluation Committee Docket No. 2011-02. On August 10, 2011, the Committee granted the petitions and asserted jurisdiction under RSA 162-H: 2, XII. On January 31, 2012, Antrim Wind filed an application for a certificate of site and facility in Docket No. 2012-01. The application was accepted and a subcommittee was assigned to consider whether to grant or deny the application. After an eleven-day evidentiary hearing and three days of public deliberations, the subcommittee denied the application.

On November 6, 2014, the current Board of Selectmen for the Town of Antrim filed correspondence with the Committee, requesting that the Committee re-assert jurisdiction over the review, approval, monitoring, and enforcement of compliance in the planning, siting,

construction, and operation of a renewable energy facility proposed to be located in the Town of Antrim, Hillsborough County and developed by Antrim Wind.

On November 26, 2014, Antrim Wind filed a Petition for Jurisdiction Over a Renewable Energy Facility (Petition). Antrim Wind proposes to site, construct, and operate 9 wind turbines capable of generating 3-3.3 MW for a total nameplate capacity of 27-29.7 MW (Facility). The Facility is proposed to be located in the Town of Antrim, New Hampshire, on the Tuttle Hill ridgeline spanning southwestward to the northeastern slope of Willard Mountain. The Facility will be located in the rural conservation zoning district and highway district on private lands owned by five landowners and leased by Antrim Wind. Antrim Wind asserts that the Facility's location will be similar to the facility reviewed and denied by the Committee in Docket No. 2012-01

Antrim Wind claims that the Committee has already asserted its jurisdiction over the Project by virtue of its jurisdictional ruling in Docket No. 2011-02. *See* Jurisdictional Order, Docket No. 2011-02, Petition for Jurisdiction Over Renewable Energy Facility Proposed by Antrim Wind Energy, LLC (August 10, 2011). In the alternative, Antrim Wind asks the Committee to re-assert jurisdiction over the Facility so that Antrim Wind can file a full Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility required for construction and operation of the Facility.

On March 13, 2015, the Chairman of the Committee issued a Procedural Order. Pursuant to RSA 162-H: 4-a, II, a subcommittee was appointed to review this matter (Subcommittee). The Procedural Order called for certain discovery and a technical session. The Procedural Order also indicated that an adjudicative hearing in this docket should occur not less than 14 days after the technical session. Technical sessions were conducted on April 23, 2015 and May 4, 2015.

**The adjudicative hearing is open to the public and will take place on July 6, 2015, commencing at 9AM and on July 7, 2015, commencing at 9 AM at the Offices of the Public Utilities Commission, 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire, 03301.**

The adjudicative hearing is an evidentiary hearing. At the conclusion of the evidentiary portion of the proceeding the Subcommittee may deliberate on the merits of whether to grant or deny the Petition.

The authority for this hearing is RSA 162-H: 2, RSA 162-H: 4, II and RSA 162-H: 4-a, II.

The original petitions and other filings in this docket are available on the Committee's website: [www.nhsec.nh.gov](http://www.nhsec.nh.gov).

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