The State of New Hampshire
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner

November 13, 2015

Pamela G. Monroe, Administrator
New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee
21 South Fruit St., Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Application of Antrim Wind Energy, LLC
Site Evaluation Committee Docket No. 2015-02

Dear Ms. Monroe:

This letter is to notify you of a modification to our November 5, 2015 letter regarding the DES completeness determination. The applicant has since provided clarification regarding the permanent wetland and stream impacts whereby mitigation under the state wetland application is not required. It should be noted that the federal review agencies may elect to require a mitigation proposal, independent of the state's technical review, based on secondary clearing impacts adjacent to wetlands and streams.

The DES Water Division staff have completed their determination as to whether or not the above referenced application contains sufficient information for the DES to conduct their technical review to consider the issuance of permits, conditions, or licenses under the jurisdiction of DES. The following list contains the program application numbers as well as the completeness determination:

1. Alteration of Terrain Permit Application No. 151020-172 - complete
2. Wetland Permit Application No. 2015-02783 – complete
3. Individual Subsurface Disposal System Application No. 201504487 - complete

With regards to 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC), the application is considered complete based on the expectation that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) will determine that the State Programmatic General 404 Permit (SPGP), and the 401 WQC issued for the SPGP, applies to this project. If, however, the ACOE decides that the project requires an Individual 404 Permit (which is not considered likely at this time), the application is not complete until the Applicant submits an application for 401 WQC to the DES Watershed Management Bureau.

The DES Water Division's detailed review of the project along with the provision for technical comments or conclusions will occur concurrently with the NHSEC project evaluation process. If you have any questions, please contact me at 271-2951 or email at: Rene.Pelletier@des.nh.gov

Sincerely,

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