

September 12, 2008

Mr. Thomas S. Burack, Chairman
New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee
c/o New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
29 Hazen Drive, P. O. Box 95
Concord, New Hampshire 03302-0095

Dear Chairman Burack:

As a lifelong resident, businessman and outdoorsman of Coos County, I respectfully request that the New Hampshire's Site Evaluation Committee grant me general intervention status with respect to the proposed industrial wind facility by Granite Reliable Power, LLC; Docket No. 2008-04, located in areas known as Phillip's Brook tract and Bayroot parcel.

In order to be granted intervention status, I understand I must meet three criteria, including the procedural requirement that this written request arrive at your office no later than September 18, 2008. I trust this written request has satisfied your requirement of timely arrival.

The remaining two criteria as defined under NH RSA 541-A:32 are as follows:

- 1.) State in my written request the facts demonstrating that my right, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interests that may be affected by the proceeding;
- 2.) The presiding officer determines that allowing the intervention would not impair the interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings.

The economic situation in Coos County has been dramatically affected by the loss of not one but two paper mills. We have to now promote and protect our natural resources that have driven the economic base for centuries. We must not destroy the natural wild areas that promote most of our remaining economic income. I have been a member of the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests for many years. I am a sales representative in the North Country and have knowledge of the economic conditions that prevail in Coos County. The tax incentives currently in place by the federal government (to expire December 31, 2008) and the proposed payment in lieu of taxes by the wind company cannot replace the loss of income of individual wage earners. This affects the entire business community of northern New Hampshire, including myself.

A Bio-Mass energy facility would help re-employ our loggers, woods jobbers and related businesses providing them with a paycheck to feed their families. This area has a long colorful history as a working forest. It is these economic interests that will fuel our future earnings.

The area that this facility affects will encompass a critical wildlife area that tourists visit from all over the world for many reasons, such as, hunting, fishing, hiking, snowmobiling, and wildlife viewing. There are threatened and endangered species which require large unbroken forested areas, such as, the pine marten, Canadian lynx and the

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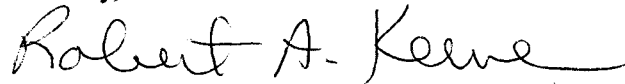
bicknells thrush known to inhabit this area. A fragmented habitat would cause these species to disappear from the area. Causing another economic base to be lost. As a hunter and fisherman in this area, the prospect of the area being changed dramatically and permanently closed off to the public concerns me deeply.

I am respectfully requesting that the Committee please support my request to be granted full general intervention status. My lifelong business and life experiences may prove valuable when considering this wind facility.

I recognize the importance of an orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings. I will not, in any way, impair the orderly conduct of the hearing.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert A. Keene". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Robert A. Keene
(603) 586-7052

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