# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE Docket No. 2010-01

Application of Groton Wind, LLC, for a Certificate of Site and Facility for a 48 MW Wind Turbine Facility in Groton, Grafton County,

New Hampshire

### NOTICE OF CONTINUED ADJUDICATIVE PROCEEDINGS

Issued February 28, 2011

### Time, Date and Place of Hearings

The adjudicative proceedings shall re-commence on Tuesday, March 22, 2011, at 10 A.M. and on Friday March 25, 2011, at 10 A.M. at the office of the Public Utilities Commission, 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord N.H. and at such times and places thereafter as determined by the Chair of the Subcommittee. In addition the hearing may be recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

### The Application and the Proceedings

On March 26, 2010, Groton Wind, LLC, (Applicant) filed an Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility (Application). The Applicant petitions the Site Evaluation Committee (Committee) for a Certificate of Site and Facility (Certificate) in order to site, construct and operate a renewable energy facility (Facility) in the Town of Groton, Grafton County. The Applicant proposes to site, construct and operate a wind energy facility consisting of 24 wind turbines each having a nameplate capacity of 2 megawatts (MW) for a total nameplate capacity of 48 MW. On April 26, 2010, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee accepted the Application as administratively complete and appointed a Subcommittee to review the Application as provided in RSA 162-H:6-a, III and RSA 162-H: 4, V (Subcommittee).

Adjudicative proceedings in this docket commenced on November 1, 2010, and continued through November 5, 2010. During the adjudicative proceedings it was determined that the Applicant would be designating an alternate route and voltage for the transmission and delivery of electricity from the project to the electric grid. It was also determined that the Applicant would be required to re-file its Project Area Form with the Division of Historic Resources. On December 14, 2010, the adjudicative proceedings and deliberations were suspended, pursuant to RSA 162-H:6-a, because the Subcommittee found that it was in the public interest to allow the Applicant to amend its Application in order to fully present its alternative transmission route and revised Project Area Form as part of the adjudicative process.

## Parties to the Adjudicative Proceedings

The public is represented in these proceedings by duly appointed Counsel for the Public, Peter Roth, Senior Assistant Attorney General. The parties to the adjudicative proceedings are: the Applicant, Groton Wind LLC; the Town of Groton; the Town of Rumney; the Town of Plymouth; the Town of Holderness; James M. Buttolph; Cheryl Lewis; Carl Spring; Richard Wetterer; Kathleen Park, Lawrence Mazur, MD; Christine G. DeClerq-Mazur; Sarah Mazur and Theodore Mazur.

#### **Public Comment**

At the conclusion of the adjudicative hearing the Subcommittee shall reserve time to hear oral comments from the public pertaining to the Application and the proposed facility. Written public comment may also be filed with the Subcommittee, until the conclusion of the proceedings, at the office of Jane Murray, Secretary to the Committee located at the Department of Environmental Services, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, N.H.

## Based on the foregoing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the duly designated Subcommittee of the Site Evaluation Committee for the State of New Hampshire shall continue a Public Adjudicative Hearing on March 22, 2011 and on March 25, 2011, commencing at 10 A.M. at the Offices of the Public Utilities Commission, 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire and at such further times and places as the Chairperson of the Subcommittee may announce; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this Notice of Public Meeting shall be served via First Class Mail to each of the parties and that this Notice shall be published on the Committee's website.

By ORDER of the Site Evaluation Committee, this 28th day of February, 2011.

Thomas Getz, Presiding Officer

New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee