## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE Docket No. 2010-03

## JOINT APPLICATION BY GRANITE RELIABLE POWER, LLC AND BROOKFIELD RENEWABLE POWER INC. FOR APPROVAL TO TRANSFER EQUITY INTERESTS IN GRANITE RELIABLE POWER, LLC UNDER RSA CH. 162-H

## Order Designating Counsel to the Committee to Preside at the Pre-Hearing Conference Scheduled for January 3, 2011

On July 15, 2009 the Site Evaluation Committee (Committee) issued a Certificate of Site and Facility with Conditions to Granite Reliable Power, LLC (Certificate) for the siting, construction and operation of a wind turbine facility consisting of 33 wind turbines with a nameplate capacity of 3 MW each for a total capacity of 99 MW. On December 3, 2010 Granite Reliable Power, LLC (GRP) and Brookfield Renewable Power Inc. (Brookfield) filed a Joint Application for Approval to Transfer the Equity Interests of Noble Environmental Power, LLC (Noble) to Brookfield under RSA 162-H (Joint Application). GRP is presently owned by Noble (75%) and Freshet Wind Energy, LLC (25%). The Joint Application seeks approval from the Committee to transfer Noble's 75% interest in GRP to Brookfield. Such approval is required by conditions to the Certificate and may also be required pursuant to RSA 162-H. On December 16, 2010 the Committee issued an order and notice of hearing scheduling a Pre-Hearing Conference for January 3, 2011. The Pre-Hearing Conference will be conducted in accordance RSA 541-A:31, V (b) and NEW HAMPSHIRE CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, Site 201.10.

Pursuant to NEW HAMPSHIRE CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, Site 202.10, I hereby find that the appointment of Counsel to the Committee as presiding officer at the Pre-Hearing Conference will assure the orderly process of the proceedings in this matter. Therefore, I hereby appoint Counsel to the Committee, Michael J. Iacopino, to preside over the Pre-Hearing Conference scheduled for January 3, 2011. Upon conclusion of the Pre-Hearing Conference, Counsel to the Committee shall file a written report and any recommended orders that may be required.

So Ordered this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010:

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Thomas S. Burack, Chairman New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee