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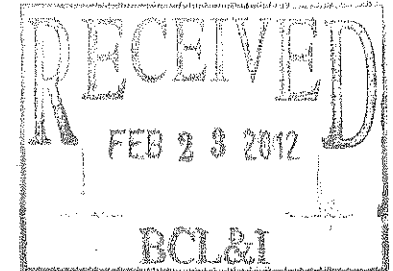
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February 21, 2012

Mr. Michael J. Iacopino
Brennan, Caron, Lenehan & Iacopino
85 Brook Street
Manchester, NH 03104



Re: Antrim Wind Energy, SEC# 2010-001

Dear Mr. Iacopino:

This correspondence is intended to address building and fire code requirements as they would pertain to the proposed Antrim Wind Energy Facility.

Under the authority of RSA 153:4-a, the state fire marshal is empowered to "approve, disapprove, or allow exceptions to any fire safety rule of any state agency except fire safety rules established under RSA 227-L" (forestry/ wildland rules). It also states that "The state fire marshal is responsible for supervising and enforcing all laws of the state relative to the protection of life and property from fire, fire hazards and related matters..."

In addition to the requirements of RSA 153:4A-7, RSA 155-A:7 says that "...where there is no building inspector, the state fire marshal or the state fire marshal designee shall have the authority to enforce the provisions of the state building code..."

The specific areas of this application that relate to this office are sections F.5 Construction Process, found on page 28, and section 6.6.f Fire, found on page 97.

In light of the statutory responsibilities given to the State Fire Marshal, it is my duty to respectfully request that the Site Evaluation Committee include in any Certificate for Site and Facility issued for Antrim Wind Energy LLC contain the following conditions:

1. All structures including but not limited to towers, nacelle, operation and maintenance buildings be constructed in accordance with the following codes and standards:

International Building Code, 2009 edition,

NFPA 1, Fire Code, 2009 edition,

NFPA 101, Life Safety Code, 2009 edition

NFPA 850, Recommended Practice for Fire Protection for Electric
Generating Plants and High Voltage Direct Current Converter Stations,
2010 edition.

2. To assist with reducing delays in the construction process along with insuring compliance with the above codes and standards, the State Fire Marshal or his designee will review all plans relative to the project and perform routine compliance inspections during construction and a final acceptance inspection in conjunction with the local fire and building code officials
3. If technical assistance is required the State Fire Marshal may require an independent third party review in accordance with NFPA 1, 1.15.

Investigator Ron Anstey will be overseeing this project for my office. Should you have any questions or need any further information, please contact him at (603) 223-4289 or Ronald.anstey@dos.nh.gov.

Thank you for your time and consideration in providing sufficient fire and life safety in such a unique situation.

Sincerely,



J. William Degnan

Director/State Fire Marshal

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CC: Investigator Ronald Anstey, NHSFMO