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State of New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee

Board members,

I write to you today, to thank you for a thankless job. I appreciate the time and effort you have put forth.

I write in support of the Antrim Wind Project. After years of study, reports, failed ordinances and rhetoric, the time has come to decide on the fate of this project. Having been involved from the beginning and hearing all of the debate, it really boils down to the visual impact of this project. If the turbines could not be seen there would be limited opposition. Unfortunately there is no way to hide an industrial wind turbine. There will be vantage points in which the turbines will be seen. Some more controversial than others.

Antrim Wind has done an outstanding job trying to reduce the perceived negative effects of the project. Aircraft initiated lighting. Realistic setbacks and sound levels. Minimal impact on the environment and follow up studies. Protection and preservation of large land tracts for eternity. There are those who want more, but that is not for Antrim Wind to pursue. Those groups should work with the landowners to negotiate their wishes.

Your task as a board was to balance the risk and rewards of this project. There can never be a commercial energy project that has no impact on the immediate area involved. After the installation, this project will provide clean sustainable power for 13,500 homes for up to 50 yrs. Less than 60 of 1800 acres will be impacted. Over 800 acres will become protected, some forever. I urge the board to approve this project. Antrim Wind has been willing to amend their proposal as concerns arose. The town has voted to allow this project in this location. It is time to approve this project.

Sincerely,
Wesley Enman