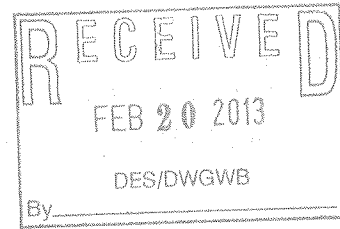


Ms. Jane Murray, Secretary

New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
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February 11, 2013

Dear Ms. Murray,

I am writing to voice my strong support for Timbertop Wind I, LLC's petition asking the Site Evaluation Committee to take jurisdiction over the proposed wind project located in New Ipswich and Temple. As a lifelong resident of New Ipswich and a New Ipswich Selectman from 2006 until 2009 I believe the SEC jurisdiction is warranted and the right decision for the towns of New Ipswich and Temple.

My time serving the community as Selectman offered me insight into the difficult decisions that must be made while managing the town's budget and affairs. There are always programs that need funding, roads that need repair, and hundreds of other town projects that require additional revenues to address them. Timbertop Wind is a unique opportunity for our community to receive additional funding for these projects without further strain on our infrastructure, schools, and public services. In the first year alone this project could be paying over \$600,000 in property taxes. The project has also been exploring a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) for the two towns – allowing the towns to budget revenue from the project for each year.

I commend the work Timbertop Wind has done in the past three years to develop a small and well sited project that fits the landscape of Temple and New Ipswich and moves our state closer to its renewable energy goals. Because the project falls within the jurisdiction of two separatetowns (both of which I know very well) with two very different ordinances and planning boards—a local process would be costly, time consuming, repetitiveand potentially deprive our town of the money we need to provide services to our community at the lowest cost to taxpayers. To avoid this situation, I urge the Site Evaluation Committee to assert jurisdiction and oversee the permitting of Timbertop Wind - a great project for our town and our state.

Sincerely,

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