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**Re: Atlantic Wind, LLC
SEC Docket No. 2013-02**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On December 12, 2013, Atlantic Wind, LLC filed an Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility for the Wild Meadows Wind Project. The Application seeks review and approval for the siting, construction and operation of a 75.9 megawatt wind farm consisting of 23 wind turbine generators with a name plate capacity of 3.3 megawatts each. The Application proposes the construction of 8 wind turbine generators in the Town of Alexandria, Grafton County, and 15 wind turbine generators in the Town of Danbury, Merrimack County. [Add additional information regarding the location of project.]

This matter has been docketed as Site Evaluation Committee no. 2013-02. It is my understanding that the Applicant has filed a copy or a portion of the Application with your agency, or one was provided by the Secretary of the Site Evaluation Committee (SEC). If you do not have a copy of the Application, please contact me immediately. For immediate reference, the Application is available on the SEC website.

Pursuant to RSA 162-H:7, IV, I would ask that you conduct a preliminary review of the Application and respond in writing to me, as counsel for the Committee, prior to January 8, 2014. Please advise as to whether or not the Application contains sufficient information for your agency to review the Application and consider the issuance of permits, conditions, or licenses, if any, under the jurisdiction of your agency pursuant to either state or federal law. If the Application does not contain sufficient information for this purpose, I would respectfully request that you advise me in writing as to what additional information is necessary.

For your convenience, I have attached Pages 21 - 22 from the Application. On these pages, the Applicant lists the permits and licenses that it asserts are required for the proposed project. If your agency is listed thereon, please let me know if the permit application filed with your agency is not administratively complete and what information is missing. If you believe that the Application requires a permit from your agency that is not included on this list, please contact me as soon as possible.

The Vice Chair of the SEC, Amy Ignatius, will determine whether the Application contains sufficient information to carry out the purposes of RSA 162-H. If Vice Chair Ignatius finds the Application to be complete, this matter will be scheduled for public informational hearing and further proceedings consistent with the time frames set forth for renewable energy facilities and RSA 162-H:6-a.

Finally, if the requests contained in this letter is better directed to another person within your agency, please forward this correspondence to that person and ask that he or she contact me.

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I look forward to your prompt response. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Dictated, but not read.

Michael J. Iacopino

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Enclosure

cc: Jane Murray, Secretary, SEC
Barry Needleman, Esq.

D. Other Required Applications and Permits

D.1. Identification of all other federal and state government agencies having jurisdiction, under state or federal law, to regulate any aspect of the construction or operation of the proposed facility

State Permits

- Certificate of Site and Facility (NH Site Evaluation Committee)
- New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Water Division, Wetlands Bureau (authority under state and federal law over wetlands impacts)
- New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Water Division, Alteration of Terrain (AoT) Program (authority under state and federal law over alteration of terrain and pollutant discharge)
- New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Water Division, Water Management Program (authority under federal law related to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Programmatic General Permit and water quality certification)
- New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) (authority under state law over highway safety /transportation of oversized loads and driveway permits)
- New Hampshire Department of Safety (NHDOS) (blasting permit)
- New Hampshire Division of Historic Resources (NHDHR) (authority under federal and state law to consult with USACE regarding historic properties potentially affected by the Project)

Federal Permits

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (authority under federal law to assess wetlands and other environmental impacts)
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966
- Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) (regulation of turbine lighting in connection with determination of "no hazard" to air navigation)

D.2. Documentation that demonstrates compliance with the application requirements of such agencies

Information satisfying the application requirements of such agencies has been included within the agency application forms contained in the Appendices to this Application which are referenced in Section D. 3, below.

An application for an Oversize/Overweight Vehicle Permit will be submitted to the NHDOT by the trucking contractor who will be responsible for transporting turbine equipment and other oversized loads. The contractor will be selected once the Project is certificated and turbine equipment is ordered.

Atlantic Wind will comply with all rules and permit requirements relative to blasting that may be necessary in the construction and decommissioning of the Project.

D.3. A copy of the completed application forms for each agency

- Appendix 1: Joint USACE/NHDES Standard Dredge and Fill Permit Application
- Appendix 2: NHDES Alteration of Terrain (AoT) Permit Application
- Appendix 3: NHDES Section 401 Water Quality Certification Request
- Appendices 13/14: FAA 7460-1 determination applications

D.4. Identification of any requests for waivers from the information requirements of any state agency or department whether represented on the committee or not

The Applicant has requested waivers of certain newly-adopted NHDES rules that are not applicable to the Project. More specifically, waivers have been requested for the following rules, see Table 1. Additional detail is included within several memorandums located in the AoT Permit Application (Appendix 2).

Table 1: List of Requested Waivers from NHDES Rules

Rule	Which Seeks Information About
Env-Wq 1504.09(b)(2)b	Soil Mapping Standards
Env-Wq 1504.09(e)	Drainage Area Plan Scale
Env-Wq 1504.09(e)(3)	Drainage Area Plan Contour Intervals
Env-Wq 1504.09(g)(3)	Hydrologic Soil Group Plans - Color Coding
Env-Wq 1507.03(e)	Stormwater Treatment Practice Sizing
Env-Wq 1508.19(b)-(h)	Earthen Slope Benching