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Hello Ms. Murray:

As New Hampshire property owners, here are comments related to the SEC evaluation committee. It is our expectation that the SEC abide by the constitution and acknowledge the individual property owners' rights and not let them be overpowered by the interests of a foreign company who will potentially profit from our state and our taxpayers, potentially at the detriment of our natural resources and health and safety of our citizenry. The potential detriment could be even more painful when the company is a foreign company, buffered from local and statewide impact thousands of miles away in Portugal.

Please be aware of our concerns regarding several of the following points:

### **Site 301.05 Effects on Aesthetics**

(b) (7) Photosimulations from representative key observation points, *clearly show the visual impact on residential neighborhoods and our natural, scenic* resources for which the potential visual impacts are characterized as “high”, to illustrate the potential change in the landscape that would result from construction of the proposed facility and associated infrastructure, including land clearing and grading and road construction.

Side Comment: The aerial view from Mt. Crosby overlooking the Groton Wind Farm offers a view of the clearing and extensive damage to the mountain tops. No need for photosimulations, here.

### **Site 301.14 Criteria Relative to Findings of Unreasonable Adverse Effects.**

(a) In determining whether a proposed energy facility will have an unreasonable adverse effect on aesthetics, the committee shall consider:

- (1) The existing character of the area of potential visual effect in the host community and communities abutting or in the vicinity of the proposed facility;
- (2) The significance of affected scenic resources and their distance from the proposed facility;
- (3) The extent, nature, and duration of public uses of affected scenic resources;
- (4) The scope and scale of the change in the landscape visible from affected scenic resources *and private property*.

Please make certain all considerations include setbacks to accommodate shadow flicker, noise, ice/blade throw, fire/ spark throw, etc. and be based on **PROPERTY LINE, NOT** occupied permanent residence or anything else!

Lastly, we are writing to make certain our state ensure that the construction and operation of energy facilities is treated as a significant aspect of land-use planning in which **all** environmental, economic, aesthetic, health, safety and technical issues are resolved in an integrated fashion for the betterment of our citizens and not to simply provide profits to a foreign company who will be exporting energy out of NH.

Regards,

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