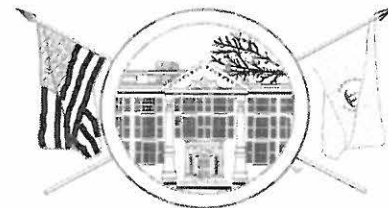


# TOWN OF NEW IPSWICH

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New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee  
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November 17, 2015

RE: Potential Rule Making Changes

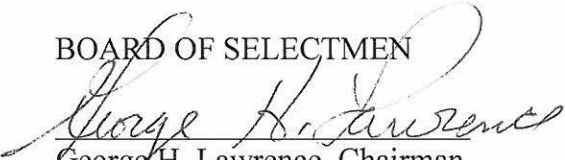
Dear Mr. Honigberg,

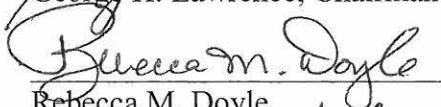
Unfortunately the Board of Selectmen will not be able to attend the public hearing scheduled for November 18, to express our objection to the JLCAR proposed rulemaking change that may exempt future energy projects within our State from having to take into consideration existing ordinances and zoning requirements enacted in our local communities, while planning for these projects.

Our town has worked diligently since 1987, when zoning was enacted, to establish the goals that the residences envisioned in our master plan for the type of community that they wish to raise their families, work and enjoy the many recreational opportunities within the rural confines of our town. Many residents have spent countless volunteer hours in working on our town boards and committees, and with our regional planning commission to plan, define and implement the necessary zoning regulations to meet the goals of our master plan.

We strongly urge you not to implement any rule change that will diminish the years of effort that have gone into our community, and all the communities of our State, to allow developers of energy projects to ignore the established zoning requirements. Adherence to these requirements by a potential developer should not be considered on a 'case by case' basis, but should be established as the minimum requirements if the project is to be truly considered to be in the 'public interest'.

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