

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

Docket No. 2015-02

**Re: Application of Antrim Wind Energy, LLC
For a Certificate of Site and Facility**

April 3, 2017

**ORDER SUSPENDING DECISION AND ORDER GRANTING
CERTIFICATE OF SITE AND FACILITY WITH CONDITIONS**

On October 2, 2015, Antrim Wind Energy, LLC (Antrim Wind or Applicant), filed an Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility (Application) with the Site Evaluation Committee (Committee). Antrim Wind proposes to site, construct, and operate 9 Siemens SWT-3.2-113 direct drive wind turbines capable of generating 3.2 MW for a total nameplate capacity of 28.8 MW and associated civil and electrical infrastructure (Project). *See* Application, at 19, 27. The Project will be located in the Town of Antrim on the Tuttle Hill ridgeline spanning southwestward to the northeastern slope of Willard Mountain (Site). *Id.* at 5. The Project will be constructed primarily on the ridgeline that starts approximately 0.75 miles south of NH Route 9 and runs south-west, for approximately 2 miles. *Id.* The Project will be located in the rural conservation zoning district on private lands owned by six landowners and leased by Antrim Wind. *Id.* at 5-6.


An Order accepting the Application was issued on December 1, 2015. Thirteen days of adjudicative hearings were held between September 13, 2016 and November 7, 2016. The Subcommittee spent three days in deliberations and voted to grant a Certificate of Site and facility to the Applicant with certain conditions. On March 17, 2017, a Decision and Order Granting a Certificate of Site and Facility with Conditions was issued.

On March 25, 2017, the Subcommittee received a timely Motion for Rehearing from the Meteorologists Group of Intervenors.

RSA 541:5, *Rehearings and Appeals in Certain Cases*, provides that upon filing a motion for rehearing, the Subcommittee “shall within ten days either grant or deny the same, or suspend the order or decision complained of pending further consideration.” See also N.H. CODE ADMIN. RULES, Site 202.29 (e). Any order of suspension may be upon such terms and conditions as the Subcommittee may prescribe. The Subcommittee will be unable to meet and consider the Meteorologists’ motion within ten days. It is also possible that other parties in this docket may file motions for rehearing. Therefore, the statute requires that the Decision and Order be suspended pending deliberation and ruling on the motion for rehearing. A hearing on motions for rehearing shall be scheduled for a date after April 16, 2017.

It is hereby ordered that the Decision and Order Granting a Certificate of Site and Facility with Conditions issued in this docket on March 17, 2017, is suspended pending further hearing and order from the Subcommittee.

SO ORDERED this third day of April, 2017.



Robert R. Scott, Presiding Officer
Site Evaluation Committee