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**Re: SEC Docket No. 2019-02, Chinook Solar, LLC  
Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility**

Dear Agency Officials:

**I. Notice of Initiation of a Proceeding**

On October 18, 2019, Chinook Solar, LLC filed an Application with the Site Evaluation Committee (Committee) for a Certificate of Site and Facility (Application) to site, construct and operate a 30-megawatt solar electric generating facility in Fitzwilliam, NH. An electronic copy of the Application is available on the Committee's website at the following link:  
[https://www.nhsec.nh.gov/projects/2019-02/2019-02\\_application.htm](https://www.nhsec.nh.gov/projects/2019-02/2019-02_application.htm).

On October 28, 2019, I sent a letter to your agency requesting that your staff conduct a preliminary review of the Application and respond to the Subcommittee no later than November 27, as to whether the Application contained sufficient information to satisfy the application requirements of your agency. On November 8, 2019, a Subcommittee was appointed in this docket. On November 27, the Subcommittee received the agency responses. On December 17, 2019, the Subcommittee issued an order finding that the Application contained sufficient information to carry out the purposes of RSA-162-H. The purpose of this letter is to notify your agency that the Subcommittee has accepted the Application and initiated a proceeding pursuant to RSA 162-H:7-a, II.

**II. State Agencies with Permitting or other Regulatory Authority—Timeframe for Review**

If your agency has permitting or other regulatory authority over any aspect of the Application, RSA 162-H:7-a, governs how your agency may participate in the proceedings.

In addition, RSA 162-H:7, VI-b, provides that your agency must review those portions of the Application within your agency's jurisdiction and **report your progress** to the Subcommittee no later



than **May 15, 2020**. The progress reports shall include an outline of draft permit conditions and specify any additional data requirements necessary to make a final decision.

Lastly, RSA 162-H:7, VI-c, requires that your agency submit a **final decision** to the Subcommittee on the parts of the Application that relate to your agency's permitting or other regulatory authority no later than **August 13, 2020**.

**III. State Agencies That Do Not Have Permitting or Other Regulatory Authority—Requests to Participate in the Proceeding**

If your agency **does not** have permitting or other regulatory authority, but wishes to participate in the proceeding, then within 30 days of receipt of this letter, you must file a written request setting forth the material interest that your agency has in the proceeding. The presiding officer of the Subcommittee will make a decision on the request and notify you in writing of her decision.

I appreciate your agency's participation in the Committee's process. If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me at 271-2435, or via e-mail at [Pamela.monroe@sec.nh.gov](mailto:Pamela.monroe@sec.nh.gov).

Sincerely,



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