# THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Docket No. 2019-02

Application of Chinook Solar, LLC for a Certificate of Site and Facility

# COUNSEL FOR THE PUBLIC'S ASSENTED-TO MOTION FOR LEAVE TO RETAIN ARROWWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL AND FOR AN ORDER DIRECTING THE APPLICANT TO BEAR THE COSTS THEREOF

Counsel for the Public hereby moves, pursuant to RSA 162-H:10, V, for leave to retain an expert consultant and for an order directing Chinook Solar, LLC ("Applicant") to bear the costs and fees of the consultant and pay the fees and costs directly to Arrowwood Environmental, in an amount up to \$59,301. In support hereof, Counsel for the Public respectfully represents as follows:

#### A. Background.

On October 18, 2019, the Applicant submitted an Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility to the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee to construct and operate a 30-megawatt solar energy generation facility and associated electrical infrastructure in Fitzwilliam, Cheshire County. On November 8, 2019, the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee appointed a Subcommittee to consider the Application. The Subcommittee accepted the Application on December 17, 2019.

#### B. Legal Standard.

Pursuant to RSA 162-H:9, I, Counsel for the Public "shall represent the public in seeking to protect the quality of the environment and in seeking to assure an adequate supply of energy." Moreover, RSA 162-H:10, V, authorizes Counsel for the Public to "conduct such reasonable studies and investigations as [she] deem[s] necessary or appropriate to carry out the purpose of this chapter..." Counsel for the Public "may employ a consultant or consultants...in furtherance of the duties imposed by this chapter, the cost of which shall be borne by the applicant in such amount as may be approved by the committee." *Id.* Counsel for the Public's broad role includes conducting studies and investigations necessary and appropriate to carry out the purposes of the statute. *See* 

SEC Docket No. 2015-01, Order on Pending Motions, *In re Request of SEA-3, Inc. for Exemption*, dated August 10, 2015, at 9. Those issues go beyond protection of the environment and assuring an adequate supply of energy and include any matters identified in RSA 163-H:1. *Id.* 

#### C. Argument.

Counsel for the Public wishes to retain Arrowwood Environmental to provide expert analysis and opinion concerning the proposed project's impacts to: 1) Wetlands, waterbodies, and vernal pools; 2) Wildlife and wildlife habitat; 3) Rare, threatened, and endangered plants; and 4) Natural communities. The Consultant's resume is attached in *Exhibit A*, pp. 5-13, and the details of services that will be provided are set forth at pp. 1-3. The rates the Consultant will charge are also set forth in *Exhibit A*, p. 4. The total cost of the work is estimated at \$59,301.

Upon careful consideration of the Application, Counsel for the Public has deemed the retention of Consultant's services to analyze the project's impacts to wetlands, waterbodies, vernal pools, wildlife, wildlife habitat, endangered plants, and natural communities. This Consultant is necessary to carry out other purposes of the siting statute and to evaluate if the project will assure an adequate supply of energy without unreasonably and adversely affecting the quality of the environment. As stated in RSA 162-H, the purpose of the siting statute is to find "a balance among those potential significant impact and benefits" of the project. RSA 162-H:1. Retention of the Consultant is necessary because it will provide Counsel for the Public and the Committee with an unbiased, independent, and thorough analysis of those impacts to make their determination of whether the project will have an unreasonable adverse impact on the natural environment, and whether the project is in the public interest.

The Consultant's evaluation of the project's benefits to and impacts on New Hampshire will start with a review of the Applicant's submissions, and outreach to state agency personnel and local town officials. A written evaluation of the Applicant's environmental impact in the areas identified will be generated. Once this evaluation occurs, pre-filed testimony will be prepared. The Consultant will be available to participate in technical sessions and evidentiary hearings before the Site Evaluation Committee. Reports will be submitted to the Committee along with pre-filed testimony and the Consultant will be available for discovery and cross-examination.

The Application confirms the project is advancing local and regional public policy goals regarding regional clean energy and fuel diversity. It is Counsel to the Public's responsibility to evaluate how these benefits and impacts fit into the overall "public interest" of the project. The retention of the Consultant is necessary to achieve that goal. The Consultant possesses the appropriate balance between expertise and cost-effectiveness. Additionally, the proposed scope of work is focused to achieve prudent advice at a reasonable cost.

If this Motion is granted, Counsel for the Public would forward Consultant's invoices to the Applicant's counsel for payment by the Applicants.

#### D. Position of the Parties on this Motion.

The Applicant's Position:

The Applicant assents to the relief sought in this motion, but not to any characterizations in the motion about the case or the Application.

The following parties concur in this Motion:

Town of Fitzwilliam.

The following parties object to this Motion:

None.

The following parties take no position on this Motion:

None.

WHEREFORE, Counsel for the Public prays that the Committee enter an Order authorizing the employment of Arrowwood Environmental as a consultant pursuant to RSA 162-H:10, V, and directing the Applicant to bear the costs, as incurred monthly, up to a total of \$59,301, and grant such other relief as may be just.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNSEL FOR THE PUBLIC

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#### **Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion has this day been forwarded via email or mail to persons named on the Distribution List of this docket.

January 21, 2020

January 21, 2020

Heather Neville

# EXHIBIT A



# Scope of Work for the Environmental Review of the Chinook Solar, LLC Site Evaluation Committee Application

January 7, 2020

The Scope of Work outlined below consists of an environmental review of the proposed Chinook Solar, LLC (Project) in Fitzwilliam, New Hampshire. This environmental review will be conducted by Arrowwood Environmental (AE) and contractors on behalf of the State of New Hampshire Attorney General's Office.

The proposed environmental review outlined below will evaluate the above documents focused on the following resource areas:

- Wetlands, Waterbodies and Vernal Pools
- Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat
- Rare, Threatened and Endangered Plants
- Natural Communities

AE will conduct this review in an objective manner based on their professional expertise and the current scientific literature in these fields. The standards used to assess proposed impacts will be based on the Site Evaluation Committee (SEC) Rules and other local and state regulatory requirements.

The environmental review process has been broken up into three phases as outlined below.

# **Phase 1 Document Review and Public Outreach**

#### Task 1a. Document Review

Environmental assessments of Project impacts were conducted by the Applicant from 2016-2019. In addition, pre- testimony and supporting documents have been submitted by various parties and expert witnesses as part of the SEC application process. The initial step of the environmental review process is to collect and review all of the applicable documents relating to the resources listed above. These documents will be reviewed to identify "Issues of Concern" (IOC) as related to state of New Hampshire environmental regulations and SEC rules. IOCs may be related to inadequate methodologies employed when assessing natural resources, inaccuracies in reporting, lack of identification of impacts or unsubstantiated conclusion regarding impacts (or lack thereof).

The following documents will be reviewed during this process:

- Testimony of Expert Witnesses
- SEC permit application
- TRC Wetland, Waterbody and Vernal Pool Report
- TRC Bat Presence Absence Survey Report
- TRC Forest Composition Report
- Correspondence with regulators
- Federal, State and Local regulations and requirements

#### Task 1b. Outreach

An outreach effort will be undertaken by AE in order to collect available information about the resource areas and identify and elaborate on the IOCs. As part of the outreach effort, AE will contact state agency personnel as well as local town officials. Outreach will not include meeting with the general public.

## Phase 2- Report

Upon completion of Phase 1, AE's findings will be summarized in a professional report. The report will include a brief section on the methodology of the review process and a section outlining the results and conclusions. The results section will be broken up by the resources areas and will focus on the IOCs that were discovered during Phase 1. In some cases, a review of the scientific literature may be required to support conclusions in the report. All literature included in this review will be cited in the report. The report will be submitted digitally.

## **Phase 3- Depositions, Testimony and Hearings**

The third Phase of the review consists of the necessary steps to participate in the Site Evaluation Committee (SEC) evidentiary hearings. If the results of the professional report conclude "unreasonable impacts to the environment" in any of the resource areas, this last phase may be undertaken at the discretion of the Attorney General's office. The four Tasks included in this potential Phase are outlined below.

#### Task 3a. Develop Pre-filed Testimony

Development of the pre-filed testimony will occur after report completion. The content of the pre-filed testimony will be based on the conclusions detailed in the report. AE expects to work closely with counsel on developing the testimony.

#### Task 3b. Review Applicant Supplemental Testimony and Discovery Responses

AE personnel will review Applicant responses to AE pre-filed testimony and responses to discovery requests. AE will work with the Attorney General's office to develop supplemental testimony as needed.

#### Task 3c. Participate in Technical Sessions

AE personnel which have submitted pre-filed testimony will a be made available to participate in technical sessions. AE personnel will also be available to attend the applicant's technical session to provide counsel to the Attorney General's office

#### Task 3d. Provide Direct Testimony in SEC Evidentiary Hearings

Based on the report, pre-filed testimony and technical hearings, AE personnel will act as expert witnesses during the formal SEC hearings if necessary. This may include participation in testimony preparation sessions and consultations with counsel regarding questioning of other witnesses.

### Sub-contractors

The majority of the environmental review work will be conducted by the four principle partners of AE. Northeast Ecological Services (NEES) has been engaged as a subcontractor for the assessment of impacts to bats.

## **Cost Estimate**

A detailed cost estimate is presented below. This cost estimate represents a "not-to-exceed" amount and includes all labor costs and expenses for AE and its sub-contractors. Only those costs incurred on the project will be billed. The labor rates are calculated at \$85 per hour. Rates for technical hearings and testimony are calculated at \$150 per hour. Expenses include mileage, per-diem and miscellaneous expenses.

Task	Total Hours	Labor Cost	Expenses
Phase 1: Initial Review			
Data Compilation	25	\$2,125	
Wetland Review	25	\$2,125	/
Wildlife Review	40	\$3,400	
NC Review	20	\$1,700	
RTE Plant Review	10	\$850	
Bat Review	42	\$3,570	
Phase 1 Sub-total \$13,770			
Phase 2: Report			
Report Maps	20	\$1,700	
Report Writing	70	\$5,950	122.2.1.1
Phase 2	Sub-total	\$7,650	
Phase 3: Depositions, Testimony, Hearing	ngs		
Develop Pre-filed Testimony (PFT)	24	\$2,040	
Review Applicant Response to PFT	11	\$935	
Develop Supplemental Testimony	18	\$1,530	3228
Develop Discovery Requests	6	\$510	
Review Discovery Responses	14	\$1,190	
Depositions	28	\$2,380	
AG Technical Sessions	40	\$6,000	\$667
Applicant Technical Sessions	40	\$6,000	\$667
SEC Evidentiary Hearings	50	\$7,500	\$994
Phase 3	Sub-total	\$30,413	
Project Administration	31	\$2,635	
Spatial Data Management	15	\$1,275	
Document Management	10	\$850	A.Y. 1. 1.
Report Production	8	\$680	
Project Meetings	16	\$1,360	\$667
Pro	ject Total	\$59,301	

Arrowwood Environmental Resumes of Principal Partners and Subcontractor

# **AARON WORTHLEY**

PARTNER - GIS ANALYST - SCIENTIST - UAS PILOT





# Areas of Expertise

- Geographic Information Systems
- UAS / Drone Mapping
- Cartography & Web Mapping Tools
- Wildlife Assessment & Monitoring
- GPS & Surveying
- Database Management
- Graphic Design & Layout

#### **Education & Professional Training**

- B.A. Individual Design (social sciences, performing arts), University of Vermont, 1994
- FAA Licensed UAV Pilot (2016)
- Wetland Ferns (2/2013)
- Phase II- VT Stream Geomorphic Protocols, summer (2007)
- Wetland plant Identification (2007)
- SGAT & Phase 1 VT Stream Geomorphic Protocols, (2004)
- Vernal Pool Identification & Certification, (2006)
- Winter Identification of Trees and Shrubs workshop (2003)
- Keeping Track- Wildlife Tracking & Monitoring (2001-2002)
- Forest Mycology (2003)
- Vermont Spatial Data Partnership, semi-annual GIS Roundtables

r. Worthley is the principal GIS Analyst for Arrowwood Environmental responsible for project mapping, GIS and CAD plan development, spatial data assessment, spatial database management, remote sensing, spatial, visual and hydrological modeling, and GPS surveying. Mr. Worthley also conducts field inventories and assessments for wildlife tracks, sign and wildlife, avian habitat assessments and wetland delineations. As a certified UAV (drone) pilot, Mr. Worthley conducts aerial surveys, mapping, and photography to support Arrowwood's projects and clients. Accomplishments include extensive map, plan, database, and visual aid development for municipalities, organizations, businesses and private landowners, court exhibits, public presentation and project planning; community tree inventory project development and implementation, wildlife and bird inventories, habitat assessment, ecological predictive modeling and mapping, and development of web-based mapping and communication tools.

- Vermont Vernal Pool Mapping Project: Database and GIS manager for a statewide vernal pool mapping initiative.
- Audubon Vermont: Forest Bird Initiative. Field evaluations and forest management recommendations for enhancing forest bird habitat with participating landowners.
- Vermont Dept. Environmental Conservation RCPP Wetland Outreach: Database design, implementation and management, cartography, and geospatial modeling to identify and prioritize agricultural wetland restoration projects.
- Vermont Dept. Environmental Conservation, CCRPC: Fluvial Geomorphic Assessments & Fluvial Erosion Hazard mapping. Field assessments analysis and data development, erosion hazard mapping, software testing, technical support.
- Wildlife habitat spatial-modeling: A component of town-wide natural resource inventories to support management and planning decisions for wildlife habitat and corridor protection.
- Planning, and conducting aerial surveys: Mapping & photography using UAV (drone) technology in accordance with FAA regulations and ecological best-management practices.
- Wildlife monitoring and habitat assessments: Including- Wildlife track and sign documentation, remote camera deployment, live-trapping, baited track boards, aerial habitat surveys and grassland, forest & high-elevation avian field studies.

# **DORI BARTON**

PARTNER - PROJECT MANAGER - WETLAND ECOLOGIST - HYDROLOGIST





# Areas of Expertise

- Project Management
- Environmental Permitting and Expert Testimony
- Wetland Delineation and Assessment
- Stream Geomorphic Assessments
- Wetland Restoration Design and Implementation
- Wildlife Habitat Assessments

# Education & Professional Training

- M.S., Watershed Science, Colorado State University, 1996
- B.A., Political Science and Environmental Studies, Dartmouth College, 1992
- Vt. Regulatory Review Planning for Endangered Bats (February 2017)
- Vermont Natural Shoreland Erosion Control Certification (2016, 2018)
- Vt. Stream Geomorphic Assessment Phase 2 Training (2003, 2005)
- Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control; #2634 (2003)
- Erosion and Sediment Control Awareness Class (2003)
- Keeping Track Wildlife Training Course (2002-2003)
- Botany Courses (2001, 2013, 2015, 2019)
- Hydric Soils Courses (1998, 2001)
- Field Techniques for Soil Evaluation (1997)

S. Barton is a project manager and principal ecologist for Arrowwood Environmental. Her responsibilities include wetland delineations, wetland functional assessments and permitting, wetland restoration plan design, implementation and monitoring; stream geomorphic assessments and bridge and culvert assessments; wildlife habitat evaluations; hydrologic investigations; and erosion prevention and sediment control plan design. Ms. Barton is frequently called upon to provide expert testimony in Act 250, Act 248 and District Court for a wide range of projects and clients. Ms. Barton provides expert project management skills ensuring high quality work products completed in an efficient and timely manner. Ms. Barton is committed to giving back to her home community and currently serves as Chair of the Huntington Selectboard, and previously served on the Huntington Planning Commission for a period of ten years.

- Wetland Reclassification: Provide technical support and detailed analysis to support Class I reclassification petition for the LaPlatte River Marsh Wetlands.
- Renewable Energy: Project manager and principal ecologist working with project sponsors and engineers of small and large scale solar and wind projects to design layouts that avoid and protect significant natural resources.
- Wetland Restoration: Conduct impact assessments, design, implement and monitor site specific restoration plans for voluntary and/or mandatory regulatory permit compliance.
- Vt. DEC RCPP Wetland Project Outreach and Development project: Project manager and principal wetland ecologist for Prioritization and development of 250 potential wetland restoration sites within the Lake Champlain Basin in Vermont.
- Utility Projects: Identify and map stream and wetland resources for Green Mountain Power line upgrades and line extensions. Coordinate wetland permitting with State and Federal agencies as needed.
- Ski Resort Development: Conduct field assessments and coordinate environmental permitting with State and Federal agencies including Vt. Wetlands Program, US ACOE, and Vt. Stream Alteration Program.
- Vt. Dept. of Environmental Conservation: Conduct fluvial geomorphic assessments and prepare River Corridor Plans.

# JEFF PARSONS

PARTNER - WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST - WETLAND ECOLOGIST





# Areas of Expertise

- Hydric Soils & Wetland Delineation
- Wetland Function & Value Assessment
- Wildlife & Wildlife Habitat
   Assessments
- Recreational Impacts on Wildlife
- Lake & Reservoir Ecology and Management
- Pesticide Impact Assessment
- Conservation Biology
- Geographic Information Systems

## **Education & Professional Training**

- M.S. Natural Resources Planning, University of Vermont, 1992
- B.S. Zoological Anthropology: University of Michigan, 1985
- Wildlife Biology: Michigan State University, 1977-1982
- Vermont Natural Shoreline Erosion Control Certification, 2016
- Wetland Ferns, 2013
- Aquatic Plants of Vermont, 2002
- Sedges of Vermont, 1998
- Lichens of Vermont, 2008
- Mosses of the Northeast, 2007

r. Parsons is the principle Wildlife Biologist for Arrowwood Environmental responsible for a wide variety of wildlife studies including: single-species and habitat assessments, wildlife impact assessments, field inventories, wildlife tracking and sign assessments, and grassland and high-elevation avian assessments. Mr. Parsons also conducts wetland delineations, function and value assessments, impact assessments. reclassifications, and mitigative and restoration plans and implementation. Accomplishments also include lake, pond and reservoir ecology and management plans, interpretive trail development, and recreational impacts on wildlife, community natural resource planning and environmental permitting.

- Instructor: Vermont Law School: 1997-2003.
  - o University of Vermont: 1993-1998.
  - o Northern Vermont University: 1994-98, 2016-18.
  - Sterling College: 1992-2017.
- Vermont Pesticide Advisory Council: Health and Environment Representative 1991-2000.
- Interim Vermont Recreation Planner: Vermont Recreation Plan Wetlands Component and summary documents 1988
- Lecturer and Field Leader: Wetland Ecology for Federal District Court Judges (Vermont Law School).
- Black Bear Habitat Assessments: Smugglers' Notch Resort, Stowe Mountain Resort, Jay Peak Resort, Sugarbush Resort, Bromley Mountain.
- Bicknell's Thrush Habitat and Species Monitoring: Smugglers' Notch Resort, Jay Peak Resort, and Sugarbush Resort.
- Primary Ecologist and Project Coordinator: Lake and Pond Assessment and Management for Woodbury, Vt.
- Vermont's Golf Course Pesticide Risk Assessment: Author of Protocol addressing pesticide toxicity, half-life, and chemical mobility.
- Ecologist and Wildlife Biologist: Middlebury Gap and Smugglers' Notch Scenic Highway Management Plans .
- Ecologist and Wildlife Biologist: Inventory and management guidance for natural areas wetlands, and wildlife within the cities of Burlington and South Burlington.
- Lead Investigator: Inventory & Prioritization of wetlands for acquisition by the State of Vermont.

# **MICHAEL LEW-SMITH**

PARTNER — ECOLOGIST — BOTANIST





# Areas of Expertise

- Rare, Threatened and Endangered
   Plant Inventories
- Aquatic Plant Inventories
- Wetland Delineation
- Natural Community Mapping and Assessment
- Freshwater Mussel Inventories
- Vernal Pool Mapping and Assessment
- Invasive Species Mapping and Management
- Wetland Restoration
- Rare Plant Transplantation and Monitoring

## Education & Professional Training

- M.S., University of Minnesota Department of Plant Biology, 1997
- B.S., University of Michigan School of Natural Resources. Natural Resource Management, 1991
- Freshwater Mussel Identification and Ecology, USFWS Training Center, Shepardstown, WV, 2016
- Reptiles and Amphibians of Vermont, Hogback Community College Vt.
   Family Forests. Bristol VT, 2011
- Boreal Flora, University of Michigan Biological Station, 1995
- Bryophytes, University of Michigan Biological Station, 1995

r. Lew-Smith is an ecologist and principal botanist for Arrowwood Environmental. He has worked closely with organizations, conservation agencies, municipalities. and private individuals companies, on natural resource identification, assessment and management. Mr. Lew-Smith conducts botanical inventories, wetland delineations, wildlife habitat assessments, and ecological restorations. He also has considerable experience mapping and assessing natural communities for private organizations and public land managers and is currently working on an aquatic natural community classification system. Mr. Lew-Smith regularly conducts inventories of aquatic invasive species and rare aquatic plants and works closely with lake associations on aquatic vegetation management plans. Mr. Lew-Smith has also worked throughout Lake Champlain mapping and controlling aquatic invasive species. He is one of the founders of the Vermont Vernal Pool Mapping project, which mapped and assessed vernal pools statewide.

- Aquatic Species Mapping and Assessment: Map native and non-native aquatic plants in lakes throughout Vermont and develop plans for the management of aquatic nuisance species. Monitoring potential Asian Clam infestation sites in Lake Champlain.
- Northern Pass: Project Manager and ecologist working for the NH Attorney General's office on providing an independent review of the environmental assessment of the proposed Northern Pass transmission line.
- Wetland Reclassification: Provide technical support and detailed analysis to support Class I reclassification petition for the LaPlatte River Marsh Wetlands.
- Renewable Energy: Project manager and principal ecologist working with project sponsors and engineers of small and large scale solar projects to design layouts that avoid and protect significant natural resources.
- Member of the Floral Advisory Group: Advising the Vermont Endangered Species Committee on matters related to Vermont's Rare, Threatened and Endangered Plants.
- Vernal Pool Mapping: Co-founder of the Vermont Vernal Pool Mapping Project. Developed a vernal pool mapping methodology and a statewide Vernal Pool map and database.

D. Scott Reynolds, Ph.D. January 2019

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#### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

- Population Biology
- Conservation Biology
- Project Risk Assessment Analysis
- Wind Power Bat Impact Surveys

#### EDUCATION and CERTIFICATIONS

Ph.D., 1999. Physiological Ecology of Temperate Bats, Boston University; Boston, Massachusetts B.Sc., 1991. Biology with Environmental Science minor, McGill University: Montréal, Quebec Canada. Certified Senior Ecologist. Board of Professional Certification of the Ecological Society of America

#### EMPLOYMENT

North East Ecological Services: St. Paul's School: Boston University Allegro MicroSystems, Inc. Managing Partner: 1998 - present Faculty in the Science Division: 2000 - present Research Fellow, Department of Biology: 2009 - 2014 Facilities Systems Consultant: 1993 – 1999 Occupational Health and Safety Coordinator: 1991-1993 Environmental Compliance Coordinator: 1991-1992

#### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Society of Mammalogists: 1992 – present North East Bat Working Group: 1996 – present Sigma Xi: 1997 – present National Science Teachers Association: 2001 – present Ecological Society of America: 2004 – present Wildlife Society: 2006 - present

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

North American Bat Conservation Alliance, Steering Committee: 2014 - present North East Bat Working Group, President: 2013 – 2015 Northern Long-Eared Bat Endangered Species Listing Committee: 2013 - 2015

#### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE (since 2009)**

Project Risk Assessment for Bats: (completed date)

New Hampshire Army National Guard (Grafton County, NH): NH Adjutant General: 2019 Strong Breeze Wind Project (Ontario, Canada): Invenergy, Corp: 2017 Northern Pass Transmission Project (NH): Council for the Public, NHDOJ: 2017 New Hampshire Army National Guard (Merrimack County, NH): NH Adjutant General: 2017 Verizon Cell Tower Retrofit Project (Carroll County, NH): MCLane Law Firm, LLC: 2015 New Hampshire Army National Guard (Merrimack County, NH): NH Adjutant General: 2017 Greeley Wind Farm (Greeley County, NE): Bluestem Energy Solutions, 2015 Heritage Garden Wind Project (Delta County, MI): Heritage Sustainable Energy, 2014 Four Mile Wind Project (Garrett County, MD): Synergics Energy: 2013 Grande Prairie Wind Project (Knox County, NE): Midwest Energy, LLC: 2012 Port Jersey Wind Project (Hudson County, NJ): Port Authority NYNJ: 2011 Fisherman's Atlantic City Wind Project (Atlantic County, NJ): Fisherman's Energy: 2010 Cape May Wind Project (Cape May County, NJ): US Coast Guard: 2009



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#### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE (since 2009)**

Pre- and Post-Construction Bat Inventories and Migratory Surveys: (completed date)
Amherst Island Technical Advisory Committee (Ontario, Canada): Algonquin Liberty Corp: 2019
Greeley Wind Farm (Greeley County, NE): Bluestem Energy Solutions, 2015
Garden Peninsula Wind Project (Delta County, MI): Heritage Wind Energy, 2013
Atlantic City Wind Project (Atlantic County, NJ): Fisherman's Energy, 2012
Maple Ridge Wind Project (Lewis County, NY): Iberdrola Renewables, 2010
Wethersfield Wind Project (Wyoming County, NY): Noble Environmental Power: (2010)
Bear Creek Wind Project (Luzerne County, PA): Babcock & Brown Renewable Holdings, 2009
Hounsfield Wind Project (Potter County, PA): STK Renewable Energy, Inc., 2009

#### **Endangered Species Inventory Surveys**

New Hampshire Army National Guard (Grafton County, NH): NH Adjutant General: 2019 New Hampshire Army National Guard (Merrimack County, NH): NH Adjutant General: 2017 Bat Survey of Cape Cod, MA (Barnstable County, MA): US Army Corps of Engineers: 2016 Conservation Land Bat Inventory (Cheshire County, NH): Rindge Conservation Commission, 2016 Jackson Ski Trail Expansion Project (Carroll County, NH): Jackson Ski Touring Foundation: 2015 VTrans US Route 4 Improvement Project (Rutland County, VT): 2015

New Hampshire National Guard Training Institute (Merrimack County, NH): 2014 Mt. Storm Wind Project (Grant County, WV): 2014

New Boston Air Force Station (Merrimack County, NH): 2002, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013) Dan's Mountain Wind Project (Allegany County, MD): 2013

Four Mile Wind Project (Garrett County, MD): Synergics Renewables, LLC: 2010, 2012

#### **Conservation Biology and Habitat Mitigation**

Mt. Auburn Cemetery Bat Survey and Management (Middlesex County, MA): Leslie University, 2017 Critical Maternity Colony Relocation in Cornish (Sullivan County, NH): NH Fish & Game: 2005 Vermont Electric Company Northwest Reliability Project: VELCO: 2004 Population Survey of Hibernating Bats in New Hampshire: NH Fish & Game: 1999

#### EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY

Nation Rise Wind Project: Ontario Environmental Review Tribunal, Torys, LLP: 2018 Fairview Wind Project: Ontario Environmental Review Tribunal, Dale & Lessmann, LLP: 2016 Amherst Island Wind Facility: Ontario Environmental Review Tribunal, Torys, LLP: 2015 Bow Lake Wind Facility: Ontario Environmental Review Tribunal, Torys, LLP: 2014 Ostrander Point Wind Project: Ontario Environmental Review Tribunal, McCarthy Tetrault LLP: 2013 Dufferin Wind Power Project: Ontario Environmental Review Tribunal, Torys, LLP: 2013 Prospect Wind Energy Project: Connecticut Siting Council on behalf of Friends of Prospect., 2011 Liberty Gap Wind Project: West Virginia Public Service Commission, US Wind Force, LLC: 2008 Highland New Wind Project: Virginia State Corporation Commission, Highland New Wind, LLC: 2006 Roth Rock Wind Project: Vermont Public Service Board, EMDC, LLC: 2004

#### **RESEARCH GRANTS**

Conserving Northern Long-Eared Bat Habitat in Working Forestlands (NRCS-CIG Grant), 2015 Connecting Disparate Datasets to Generate Population Models (US Fish and Wildlife Service), 2014 Population Survey of the bats of New Boston Air Force Station (US Fish and Wildlife Service), 2012 Transect-based Acoustic Monitoring of a Bat Community (US Fish and Wildlife Service), 2011 New Hampshire Winter Bat Population Surveys (NHFG): 2000, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010 Maple Ridge Post-Construction Monitoring Project (NYSERDA and NJ Audubon): 2007-2009 New Hampshire Comprehensive Plan for Bats (New Hampshire Department of Fish and Game): 2004 North American Bat Conservation Partnership (Bat Conservation International): 1999, 1998



#### **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

- The value of long-term research on common species. Lessons learned from the little brown bat. Monadnock Natural History Conference, Keene, NH: 2019.
- Integrating multiple survey techniques to document shifting bat communities in the wake of White-nose Syndrome. North East Bat Working Group, Roanoke, VA: 2018
- Live longer by living alone and staying active: lower mortality of eastern small-footed myotis from White-nose Syndrome. Northeastern Natural History Conference, Springfield, MA: 2016.
- Variables that affect acoustic monitoring. North East Bat Working Group, Baltimore, MD: 2016.
- The influence of environmental variables on the demography of Myotis lucifugus. North American Symposium on Bat Research, Costa Rica: 2013
- The use of mobile platforms to conduct pre-construction acoustic monitoring at off-shore wind project sites. North East Bat Working Group, Albany, New York: 2013
- Temporal and spatial patterns of bat activity at a large-scale wind energy facility. North American Symposium on Bat Research, San Juan, Puerto Rico: 2012.
- The value of long-term banding for White-Nose Syndrome surveillance and research. White-Nose Syndrome Symposium, Little Rock, Arkansas, 2011.
- Re-evaluating the role for banding in the population biology of bats. North American Symposium on Bat Research, Denver, Colorado: 2010.
- The hibernating bats of New Hampshire: Are we climbing to the edge of a cliff? North American Symposium on Bat Research, Portland, Oregon: 2009.
- The Impact of White-Nose Syndrome on the bats of New Hampshire. White-Nose Syndrome Symposium, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania: 2009.
- The value of long-term mark-recapture data for determining the population dynamics of the little brown myotis *Myotis lucifugus*: North American Symposium on Bat Research, Scranton, Pennsylvania: 2008.
- The potential value of pre-construction surveys for predicting bat fatality at wind facilities: North American Symposium on Bat Research, Merida, Mexico: 2007
- Monitoring the potential impact of wind development for bats in the Northeast: North East Bat Working Group, East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania: 2006.
- The use of passive acoustic monitoring as a biological assessment tool for surveying migratory patterns of bats in relation to wind power development: Annual Meeting of the International Ecology Society and the Ecological Society of America, Montréal, Quebec Canada: 2005.
- Pre-Construction Assessment of Habitat Use by Bats at the Flat Rock Wind Power Facility, New York: North American Symposium on Bat Research, Salt Lake City, Utah: 2004.
- Long-Term Life History Analysis in Myotis lucifugus: North American Symposium on Bat Research, Burlington, Vermont: 2002.
- Data Management in the Study of Temperate Bats: North East Working Group on Bats, Burlington, Vermont: 2002.
- Changes in Body Composition During Reproduction and Postnatal Growth in the Little Brown Bat Myotis lucifugus, Using Direct and Indirect Analytical Techniques: North American Symposium on Bat Research, Hot Springs, Arkansas: 1998.

The Validation of Total Body Electrical Conductivity Analysis (TOBEC) to Assess Body Composition in Myotis lucifugus. North American Symposium on Bat Research, Bloomington, Illinois: 1998.

The Use of Modular Artificial Roosts in the Conservation and Management of a *Myotis lucifugus* Colony in Central Massachusetts. North American Symposium on Bat Research, Gainesville, Florida: 1996.

#### **OTHER PRESENTATIONS**

The Natural History and Conservation of the northern long-eared myotis (*Myotis septentrionalis*). Northeastern Regional Meeting of the American Society of Foresters; Bartlett, NH: January, 2015

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