# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SITE EVALUTION COMMITTEE

Docket No. 2021-01

Petition for Jurisdiction Over Proposed Solar Energy Facility in Milford, NH

# PREHEARING ORDER AND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On June 23, 2021 a second prehearing conference was held in the above referenced docket. A notice of the prehearing conference was issued on June 18, 2021, through a procedural order postponing an adjudicative hearing scheduled for that date. In accordance with N.H. Code of Administrative Rules Site 202.10 (b), J.D. Lavallee, Assistant Attorney General, was designated to serve as presiding officer for the prehearing conference. As required by RSA 541-A:31, V (d) and Site 202.10 (c), this Order is written memorialization of the matters determined at the prehearing conference and includes a procedural schedule.

## **Participants**

Attorney Eli Leino of Primmer Piper Eggleston & Cramer, represented the Petitioner, Brox Environmental Citizens. The owner of the proposed energy facility and potential applicant, Milford Spartan Solar, LLC, appeared through its attorney, Barry Needleman of McLane Middleton, P.A. The Town of Milford also appeared through its attorney, John Rattigan of Donahue, Tucker, & Ciandella, PLLC. The prehearing conference was open to the public.

### **General Discussion**

After a brief recitation of the procedural history, the presiding officer advised the participants of the scope and nature of a prehearing conference. The presiding officer confirmed the current parties and their representatives for this matter. The parties then engaged in a scheduling discussion. Upon agreement between the parties that they would discuss a procedural schedule immediately after the prehearing conference no other substantive matters were discussed or determined. On June 25, 2021, Milford Spartan Solar, LLC filed an Assented to Motion for Deliberations containing an agreed upon procedural schedule.

#### **Procedural Schedule**

The following procedural schedule was agreed upon by the parties in this matter:

**July 2, 2021** Petitioner's supplemental filing in

support of the petition.

**July 9, 2021** Milford Spartan Solar and the Town of Milford shall

submit response to the supplemental filing submitted

by Petitioner.

The Parties further requested that an adjudicative hearing be scheduled at the Committee's earliest convenience. A quorum of the Subcommittee is available for the hearing on July 26, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. However, at least one party has indicated unavailability on that date. By July 9th, the Parties shall advise Attorney Lavallee as to whether schedule adjustments can be made to accommodate a July 26th hearing date. Otherwise, a hearing date the week of August 16th will be scheduled.

A subsequent notice will be issued advising the parties of the time and location of the hearing.

The Assented to Motion for Deliberations is adopted along with the Parties' agreed upon procedural schedule as detailed above with the exception of the hearing date. The Parties are reminded that all filings shall comply with the Committee's administrative rules contained within CHAPTER Site 200.

SO ORDERED this sixth day of July, 2021.

Dianne Martin, Chair

Site Evaluation Committee &

Presiding Officer in Docket No. 2021-01