

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Docket No. 2021-02

Investigation of Complaints  
Regarding Antrim Wind LLC Operations

**ORDER REGARDING SUBCOMMITTEE CHARGE**

Docket 2021-02, entitled “Investigation of Complaints Regarding Antrim Wind Energy Facility” was opened on April 2, 2021. An Order Appointing Subcommittee issued on the same date. The Order tasked the Subcommittee with investigation of complaints related to the operations of the Antrim Wind Energy Facility.

The Subcommittee met on April 20, 2021 to develop an investigative plan. The Subcommittee filed a letter indicating that it would meet again on May 20, 2021 and provide an updated investigative plan thereafter. For purposes of planning, the following requested clarifications are provided to the Subcommittee:

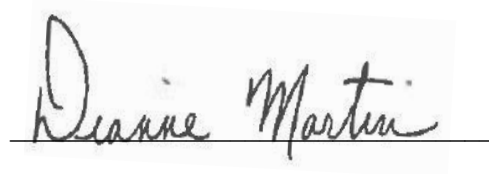
- (1) The Subcommittee was tasked with reviewing the law, administrative rules, the Facility’s Certificate, and all other relevant filings related to noise limits and sound measurement methodology. The Subcommittee’s letter noted, “We also anticipate tasking the expert with reviewing the requirements that have been placed on similar facilities, particularly out of state.” For clarity, the charge is to review the current applicable law, rules, and Certificate to determine the *existing* requirements related to measurement and analysis of sound and the procedure for validating sound complaints. The charge for this Subcommittee is focused on the current requirements pursuant to New Hampshire law, the administrative rules of the Subcommittee, and the existing requirements of the Certificate and Decision related to this facility.
- (2) The Subcommittee was required to report to the full Committee regarding that aforementioned review. The Subcommittee has indicated that it requires additional time to conduct that review and entertain public comment. The request for additional time is granted. The Subcommittee shall provide an update regarding the time reasonably necessary for that work as part of its updated investigative plan.
- (3) The Subcommittee is required to investigate complaints filed since the facility commenced operations on December 24, 2019 through December 31, 2021. Recommendations should be made to the full Site Evaluation Committee as the investigation for each complaint is concluded. To the extent complaints are received on or before December 31, 2021, and the investigation is not concluded prior to December 31, 2021, it is confirmed that the Subcommittee

will have the opportunity to complete a full and thorough investigation into 2022. All investigations shall be conducted expeditiously.

(4) Investigative counsel has been retained to support the work of the Subcommittee and a sound expert with experience related to wind turbines to support the work of the Subcommittee is being retained. Please advise if any additional support is necessary.

Thank you for serving on this Subcommittee. Your service and the considerable related time and effort you have committed to this process are very much appreciated.

SO ORDERED, this 20th day of May, 2021.

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Dianne Martin  
Chairwoman  
Site Evaluation Committee