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Via Email Only

Pamela Monroe, Administrator
New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee
c/o New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit St., Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301-2429

Re: SEC Docket No. 2019-02, Application of Chinook Solar, LLC for a Certificate of Site and Facility for the Construction and Operation of a 30MW Solar Generating Facility in Fitzwilliam, New Hampshire – Additional Stipulated Facts and Requested Findings of the Applicant and Counsel for the Public

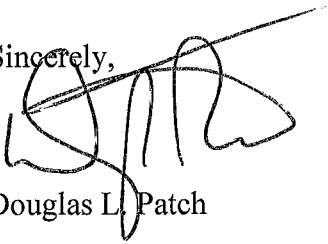
Dear Ms. Monroe:

Enclosed is a copy of an additional Stipulated Facts and Requested Findings of the Applicant and Counsel for the Public signed by both parties.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,


Douglas L. Patch

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Enclosure

cc (via email): Service List in SEC Docket 2019-02

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**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE
NEW HAMPSHIRE
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

SEC DOCKET NO. 2019-02

**APPLICATION OF CHINOOK SOLAR, LLC FOR A
CERTIFICATE OF SITE AND FACILITY FOR THE CHINOOK
SOLAR PROJECT IN FITZWILLIAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Stipulated Facts and Requested Findings of the Applicant and Counsel for the Public

Chinook Solar, LLC (“the Applicant”) and Counsel for the Public agree and stipulate as follows:

1. The Applicant has filed an Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility to construct a 30MW solar generating facility in Fitzwilliam, New Hampshire (“the Application”) which is the subject of the above-captioned docket. The Applicant also submitted pre-filed direct and supplemental testimony, various appendices to the Application, and updated reports and analyses in support of the Application. Counsel for the Public submitted pre-filed testimony with regard to impact on the natural environment and the economic impact. Relevant state agencies have filed reports and recommendations with the Committee in accordance with RSA 162-H.

Orderly Development of the Region

2. The Applicant submitted undisputed information in the Application (see pages 69-78) and the pre-filed and supplemental testimony of Heath Barefoot and Matthew Magnusson, as well as an economic impact assessment (Appendix 18), an updated economic impact assessment (described in Magnusson Supplemental Testimony), regional planning commission plans (Appendices 17B, 17C, and 17D), and local ordinances and codes (Appendices 17E, 17F and 17G). The Applicant and the Town of Fitzwilliam also agreed to a Memorandum of Understanding which addresses a number of issues and which has been submitted in this docket.

3. Counsel for the Public retained Kavet, Rockler & Associates, LLC (KRA) to assess the regional economic impacts associated with this Project. Based upon a review of the Applicant's revised economic impact analysis prepared in May 2020, technical discussions with the Applicant and Mr. Magnusson, review of confidential information provided by the Applicant specific to this Project and other similar projects, KRA believes the Applicant's analysis provides a reasonable estimate of the net meaningful economic impacts of the proposed Project.

4. This information is sufficient to support a finding that the site and facility will not unduly interfere with the orderly development of the region with due consideration having been given to the views of municipal and regional planning commissions and governing bodies.

Effect on Aesthetics

5. The Applicant submitted undisputed information in the Application (see pages 51-52) and the pre-filed and supplemental testimony of Heath Barefoot and Michael Buscher, as well as a Visual Impact Analysis (Appendix 13) and aerial photographs of the Project area (Appendix 1), sufficient to support a finding that the site and facility will not have an unreasonable adverse effect on aesthetics.

Effect on Historic Sites

6. The Applicant submitted undisputed information in the Application (see pages 52-53) and the pre-filed testimony of Stephen Olausen, the prefiled and supplemental testimony of Heath Barefoot and Karen Mack, as well as a Phase 1A and 1B Archaeological Assessment Reports and Determination of Effects Form, and New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources Concurrence Letters (Appendices 14A – 14I) sufficient to support a finding that the site and facility will not have an unreasonable adverse effect on historic sites.

Effect on Sound

7. The Applicant submitted undisputed information in the Application (see pages 64-68) and the pre-filed and supplemental testimony of Heath Barefoot, Marc Wallace, Joseph Persechino, Paul Callahan and Keith Delallo, as well as a Sound Study (Appendix 16B) and three additional sound studies (described in Wallace Supplemental Testimony, sufficient to support a finding that the site and facility will not have an unreasonable adverse effect on sound.

8. The Applicant and the Town of Fitzwilliam also agreed to a Memorandum of Understanding, which confirms the project shall not exceed the ambient noise levels, measured at the L-90 sound level, at the nearest property line by more than 10 dBA during normal operations once construction is complete.

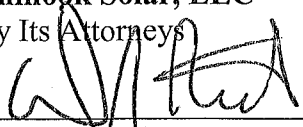
Effect on Air Quality

9. The Applicant submitted undisputed information in the Application (see pages 53-56) and the pre-filed and supplemental testimony of Heath Barefoot, Lise Laurin, Dana Valleau and Joseph Persechino, as well as a Greenhouse Gas Analysis (Appendix 15A), sufficient to support a finding that the site and facility will not have an unreasonable adverse effect on air quality.

Respectfully Submitted,

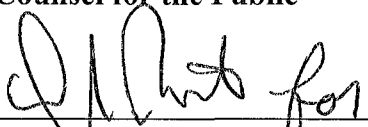
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Dated: September 4, 2020

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing stipulation has on this fourth day of September, 2020, been sent by email to the service list in SEC Docket No. 2019-02.

By: _____


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