

Good morning,

My name is Patrick Hannigan and I am a resident of Groton NH. The reason I am writing today is that I have been told that you are the representative for the search committee involved in the Groton Wind Project.

As a current resident of Groton and a former resident of the town of Rumney , I owned the general store in Rumney for 16 years, I have been following the project from both sides. While I understand the issue a few Rumney residents are having with the "unsightliness" of the towers I think this falls in to the category of the greater good. We as a nation have been talking about reducing our reliance on oil and now we have a chance to actually do something about it right here in NH. Every 4 years we advertise that we are the "first in the nation" and I think it is time we prove it. I was talking to the Rumney police chief the other day and he said that although 20 people signed up for a bus tour of the Iberdrola's Lempster Power facility only 8 people showed up. Keep in mind that we are talking about a town of 1440 people and only 8 of them are motivated enough to see what the set up will actually look like.

From everything I have heard the town of Groton is behind this project and it appears that it is not just the financial gain the town should get from the project but it just makes sense for a town that is predominantly forest land to use all that land for the good of the local economy and to help us get one step closer to being a self sufficient energy nation.

If you would like to speak to me directly please feel free to email me or call me at 603-786-9574.

Thank you for the opportunity to give my opinion.

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