

**Approved Minutes
Solar Siting Task Force
Seventh Meeting December 17, 2015**

In Attendance:

Task Force Members:	Attending	Absent
Christopher Recchia (CR)	X	
Noelle MacKay or designee Chris Cochran (designee) (NM or CC)	X	
Deb Markowitz or designee Billy Coster (DM or BC)	X	
Karen Horn (KH)	X	
Sharon Murray (SM)	X	
Adam Lougee (AL)	X	
Robert Dostis (RD)	X	
Mitch Lefevre (ML)	X	
Sam Swanson (SS)	X	
Andrew Raubvogel (AR)	X	

Meeting brought to order at 12:33 PM with Commissioner Recchia presiding.

- I. Introductions of the Committee members were made and Commissioner Recchia reviewed the agenda.
- II. Mitch Lefevre made a motion to approve the December 3, 2015 meeting minutes. Sharon Murray seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0.
- III. Provisions of Draft Rule 5.100 related to the Task Force's charge were reviewed by Department of Public Service staff Jon Copans, Deputy Commissioner, Dr. Asa Hopkins, Director of Planning & Energy Resources, and Anne Margolis, Renewable Energy Development Manager. The Task Force members agreed to send a letter to the Public Service Board asking either for an extension of the comment deadline to 1/15/16 or for consideration of the Task Force's report after the 1/6/16 rule comment deadline.
- IV. The Task Force continued with its review of the matrix of issues and potential solutions particularly with respect to process, transparency, and public participation. The Energy Generation Siting Policy Commission recommendations related to the weight given to regional and town recommendations in the Section 248 process were also reviewed. The discussion will continue at the January 5 meeting.
- V. Public comment was taken from:
 - a. Paul Stone, Orwell
- VI. Chris Cochran offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:08 p.m. Andrew Raubvogel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 9-0.