

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 20-1611-INV

Investigation pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §§ 30 and 209 into whether the petitioner initiated site preparation at Apple Hill in Bennington, Vermont, for electric generation in violation of 30 V.S.A. § 248(a)(2)	
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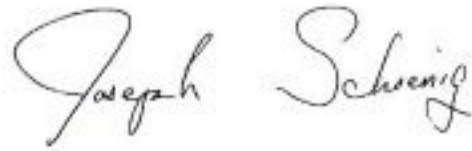
AFFIDAVIT OF JOSEPH SCHOENIG

I, Joseph Schoenig, under the pains and penalties of perjury, hereby swear to the truth of the following to the best of my recollection and knowledge:

1. My name is Joseph Schoenig and I am a resident of the Town of Bennington, Vermont. I reside with Libby Harris at her home at 531 Apple Hill Rd. Libby Harris is an intervenor in this proceeding.
2. On Sunday May 03, 2020, I noted a truck parked to the front of Libby Harris' house on what is known as Lot #1 which is owned by PLH LLC (Thomas Melone). The truck was unoccupied and parked on the right of way on the northern border of Lot 1. When he returned, I talked to him and he identified himself as Robert Kobelia, gave me his business card and advised that he was there at the request of Thomas Malone to provide an estimate for the clearing of all trees within the proposed Apple Hill / Chelsea solar sites as well as the Apple Orchard (Lot #1) which abuts the Harris residence to the south. I understood him to say that he had done a preliminary examination of all three (3) areas.
3. Less than a week later on May 7th, 2020 I observed fresh tire tracks going south through Lot #1 (the Apple Orchard). Approximately one hour later, I observed two vehicles leaving the site.
4. On May 27th I again observed vehicles parked at the southern border of Lot #1 and later saw surveyors establishing the borders for Lot #1 (the Apple Orchard) including stakes in the ground and flags that were driven into the rock wall which is the property boundary between Lot #1 and the Harris lot.
5. Since that time I have heard earth moving equipment noise that sounds like it is coming from the proposed Apple Hill / Chelsea solar sites.

Further, the Affiant sayeth naught.

DATED at Bennington, County of Bennington and State of Vermont, this 25th day of June 2020.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joseph Schoenig". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

By: _____
Joseph Schoenig